

## INFORM July 2016

Illinois State Library

**Jesse White, Secretary of State and State Librarian**

**Greg McCormick, Acting Deputy Director**

### Leadership changes at the Illinois State Library

State Library Director Anne Craig has accepted the position of senior director of the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI), effective July 1. Anne spent 27 years at the State Library and served as director since 2005. Lawren Tucker, chief deputy director, retired on June 30. Lawren dedicated nine years of service to the Secretary of State's office and State Library. Greg McCormick has been appointed acting deputy director of the State Library, effective July 1, by Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White.

### Do you need a place to conduct meetings or training?

The State Library welcomes use of its facilities, free of charge, during regular library hours for government agencies and nonprofit organizations. The library's atrium may be used after regular library hours Monday through Friday. Official meetings and events scheduled for the benefit of the State Library, the Secretary of State's Office, and other offices or agencies of state government take precedence in the assignment of Illinois State Library meeting rooms. **Meeting rooms are not available for social purposes, entertainment or fundraising.**

Reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and must be made through the Secretary of State's Department of Physical Services. To reserve a meeting room, a [Special Events Form](#) must be completed at least 48 hours in advance of the event to be scheduled and sent to the address below. After the request is received and reviewed by the Special Events staff, a confirmation letter from the director of the Department of Physical Services will be mailed to the meeting contact person.

For more information you can visit our [website](#) or contact:

Illinois Office of the Secretary of State

Department of Special Events, Special Events Division

Michael J. Howlett Building

Room 309

Springfield, IL 62756

217-782-8495

217-524-7754 (Fax)

### Room Descriptions

- **Illinois Authors Room** — Located on the south end of the State Library's first floor, this room houses a collection of works by Illinois authors. The room is set up in a permanent conference style (hollow square) with a capacity for 20 people. A projection screen is available.
- **Rooms 403/404** — Combined, these rooms offer a spacious meeting for 40-100 people, whether set up as classroom (50 people), conference (45 people) or theater (100 people). The rooms may also be partitioned to allow for smaller meeting groups.
- **Room 403** — This room is equipped with a Windows-based computer, ceiling-mounted LCD projector and projection screen. Users may connect personal laptops to the projection equipment in this room. For more information about the use of computer equipment in Room 403, please call 217-782-5524.
- **State Library's Atrium** — The atrium reaches the entire height of the building, with a fluted ceiling more than 80 feet above the marble floor. Maximum capacity is 200 people. The atrium is only available after regular library hours Monday-Friday.

## Electronic books collection

We hope you're enjoying the State Library's popular [eRead](#) Illinois e-book collection with the Axis360 App. The collection includes fiction and nonfiction bestsellers as well as children's books. First, install the free [axis360 mobile app](#). Then, follow the instructions provided in the "Getting Started" guides provided below:

- [Getting Started with Axis 360 on Android Devices](#)
- [Getting Started with Axis 360 on iOS Devices](#)

Recent acquisitions include:

- Callaway, Joy. [The Fifth Avenue Artists Society](#). Harper Collins, 2016.
- Cussler, Clive. [The Emperor's Revenge \[A Novel of the Oregon Files\]](#). Penguin USA, 2016.
- Kelly, Brynn. [Deception Island](#). Harlequin Sales Corp., 2016.
- Roberts, Nora. [The Obsession](#). Penguin USA, 2016.
- Weir, Alison. [Katherine of Aragon - The True Queen](#). Random House Digital, 2016.

## Featured employee training and development videos

The State Library maintains a collection of employment training and development audiovisual materials that support the training needs of state agency personnel. A list of all titles is available on our [website](#). A recent acquisition includes:

[Shifting Years: Leverage the Power of Generations](#) by Laura Goodrich. St. Paul, MN: Star Thrower, 2010.  
Call number: VIDEO 658.30084 GOOD

Goodrich talks about the workplace and how different people of different age groups can work together by focusing on similarities instead of differences. Also included is a 17-minute interview with business executive Don Tapscott who talks about how to utilize the perspectives and skills of younger workers.

## Print titles

You can search for and request books via our [online catalog](#). Here are some of our more recent titles:

- Mastroiano, Douglas V. [Alvin York - A New Biography of the Hero of the Argonne](#). Lexington, KY: University Press of Kentucky, [2014].
- Merrill, Gary F. [Our Aging Bodies](#). New Brunswick, New Jersey: Rutgers University Press, [2015].
- Singer, Jane and Stewart, John. [Lincoln's Secret Spy - The Civil War Case that Changed the Future of Espionage](#). Guilford, Connecticut: Lyons Press, [2015].
- Yellen, Pamela. [The Bank on Yourself Revolution - Fire your Banker, Bypass Wall Street, and Take Control of Your Own Financial Future](#). Dallas, TX: BenBella Books, [2014].

## Featured map

The State Library's map collection is the largest state library map collection in the nation, and the fifth largest government library map collection. Maps can be requested via the State Library's online catalog. A recent acquisition includes:

- Tanaka, Kenneth L. [Geologic Map of Mars](#). [Reston, Va.]: U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, 2014.

## Featured databases

State employees and elected officials can use their [State Library card](#) to access research databases. Visit the State Library's [website](#) and click "[Research Databases](#)." When accessing any research databases off-site, you will be prompted for your last name and library card number. More information about accessing the research databases from your home or office is available in the "Remote Databases" [webpage](#).

Our featured database is the [Professional Development Collection](#). This database is designed for professional educators and provides a specialized collection of nearly 520 high-quality education journals, including more than 350 peer-reviewed titles and over 200 educational reports. Professional Development Collection is the most comprehensive collection of full-text education journals in the world.

### **Illinois government publications — recent additions**

The State Library is required by law to collect state agency print and electronic publications.

Recent additions to our collection include:

- Corzine, Nathan Michael. [Team Chemistry: The History of Drugs and Alcohol in Major League Baseball](#). Urbana, Illinois: University of Illinois Press, 2016.
- Deur, Douglas. [Empires of the Turning Tide: A History of Lewis and Clark National Historical Park and the Columbia-Pacific Region](#). [Social Science Series (United States. National Park Service. Pacific West Region)]; Publication No. 2016-001]. [Washington, D.C.]: National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, 2016.
- Rosenthal, Alan and Eckhardt, Ned. [Writing, Directing, and Producing Documentary Films and Videos](#) [5th Ed.]. Carbondale, Illinois: Southern Illinois University Press, 2016.

### **2015 publications of the state of Illinois available online**

Copies of state government publications are filed with the State Library and made available upon request. To view a full list of publications received in 2015, visit our [website](#). Print materials can be requested through our online catalog and OCLC. Electronic documents can also be accessed through our [catalog](#).

### **Reference reaches out**

The State Library staff has the expertise and tools to get the information you need, when and where you need it. Call the reference staff at 217-782-7596, Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Learn how the Illinois State Library can help you do your job BETTER, SMARTER and EASIER — all at no charge to you or your agency.

[Taran Ley](#) is the library's reference outreach coordinator. Call Taran at 217-785-5615 to set up an outreach visit. Library staff loves educating state employees and elected officials on the many library services available and on how resources can be accessed 24/7 from work or home.

### **Did you know?**

- Richard Nixon's presidency was fraught with anger, suspicion, deception, intrigue and egomania, and that was before Watergate. In [One Man Against the World - The Tragedy of Richard Nixon](#), author Tim Weiner traces Nixon's humble beginnings in Yorba Linda, California, to his congressional career and presidency. Even before being elected president, "illegal and unreported funds" flowed into Nixon's campaign [p.20]. President Johnson accused Nixon of interfering with Vietnamese peace talks in order to win the presidency. Even John Ehrlichman, one of Nixon's inner circle, confided that the president always thought "he was surrounded by enemies" [p.35].
- Children are in a constant state of joy because they're living in the moment which is more than most adults are doing. We spend our days rushing to work, rushing at work, rushing to home and still rushing once we get there. In [The Joy of Missing Out - Finding Balance in a Wired World](#), author Christina Cook examines the implications of our technologically focused life with Facebook, Pinterest, Twitter, email, smartphones, etc., and the possibilities for those longing to cultivate a richer on- and off-line existence.

Don't have a library card to check out this book? Public officials and state employees may apply for a free card [here](#). Retired state employees and public library patrons can apply for a card [here](#).

### **Illinois State Library contact information**

- Reference & Information Services: 217-782-7596, [islinfo@ilsos.net](mailto:islinfo@ilsos.net)
- Circulation/Obtain a Library Card: 217-782-7573, [icirculation@ilsos.net](mailto:icirculation@ilsos.net)
- Map Collection: 217-782-7596, [islinfo@ilsos.net](mailto:islinfo@ilsos.net)
- Interlibrary Loan: 217-782-7523, [ill@ilsos.net](mailto:ill@ilsos.net)
- [Library Catalog](#)
- [Library Card Application](#)

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