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Newspaper Resources at the State Library

The State Library provides access to several newspaper databases. State employees and elected officials can use their State Library card to access these research databases. Simply visit the State Library's [website](#) and click "[Research Databases](#)." When accessing any of our research databases off site, you will be prompted for your last name and library card number. More information about accessing our research databases from your home or office is available from our "[Remote Databases](#)" webpage. Our featured newspaper databases are:

- [Chicago Tribune \(1849-1989\)](#) and [Chicago Tribune \(1984-present\)](#)
This database provides researchers and scholars with online, easily-searchable first-hand accounts and unparalleled coverage of the politics, society and events of the time.
- [Newspaper Source](#)
This database provides cover-to-cover full text for more than 40 U.S. & international newspapers. The database also contains selective full text for 389 regional U.S. newspapers and full text television & radio news transcripts, including the 60 Minutes, CNN Breaking News, Fox News, NBC Nightly Business Report and National Public Radio (NPR).
- [NewsBank](#)
This database is unique with its collection of 112 local Illinois newspapers, two college newspapers and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Illinois newspapers include the Alton Telegraph, Bloomington Pantagraph, Champaign News-Gazette, Northwest Herald, Jacksonville Journal-Courier, Peoria Journal Star, Rockford Register Star, Springfield State Journal-Register and Taylorville Breeze-Courier. Coverage varies for each title so be sure to check the dates before running your search.

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 non-fiction bestsellers as well as children's books. First, install the free [axis360 mobile app](#). Then, follow the instructions provided in the "Getting Started" guides here:

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

Recent acquisitions to eRead include:

- Cannon, Joanna. [The Trouble with Goats and Sheep](#). Simon & Schuster, 2016.
- Lustbader, Eric. [Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Enigma - A New Jason Bourne Novel by Eric VanLustbader](#). Hachette Book Group USA, 2016.
- Pappano, Marilyn. [A Summer to Remember - A Tallgrass Novel](#). Hachette Book Group USA, 2016.
- Patterson, James & Raymond, Emily. [Little Black Dress](#). Hachette Book Group USA, 2016.
- Weisberger, Lauren. [The Singles Game](#). Simon & Schuster, 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 the State Library's [website](#). A recent acquisition includes:

- [Anyone Can Be an Ally](#), written and presented by Brian McNaught; produced and directed by Joel Lesko. Seattle, WA : SunShower Learning, 2011. Call Number: **VIDEO 306.766 MCNA**

In this training video, Brian McNaught demonstrates how anyone can be an ally to create a respectful workplace that is inclusive of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender co-workers. The DVD has four important extra features including: FAQ; a personal story about creating a workplace that's welcoming for a closeted gay co-worker; guided imagery exercises and an interview with the author.

Print Titles

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

- Barbour, Alan G. Lyme Disease: [Why It's Spreading, How it Makes You Sick, and What to Do About it](#). Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2015.
- Burton, Michael John, et al. [Campaign Craft: The Strategies, Tactics, and Art of Political Campaign Management](#). Santa Barbara, California: Praeger, 2015.
- Leach, Penelope. [When Parents Part - How Mothers and Fathers Can Help Their Children Deal with Separation and Divorce](#). New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2015.
- Montes, Christian. [American Capitals - A Historical Geography](#). University of Chicago Press, 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:

- Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. [Winter Travel Map, Payette National Forest, Idaho](#), 2016.

Featured Databases

[Regional Business News](#): This database provides full text coverage of more than 80 regional business publications covering all metropolitan and rural areas within the United States. Publications included are: Arizona Business, Business North Carolina, Crain's Chicago Business (and other Crain Communications editions), Des Moines Business Record, Enterprise Salt Lake City, Fort Worth Business Press, Orange County Business Journal, Westchester County Business Journal, etc.

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:

- Barney, Josephson. Cafe Society: [The Wrong Place for the Right People](#). Urbana, Illinois: University of Illinois Press, 2016.
- Harker, Jaime & Farr, Cecilia Konchar. [This Book is an Action: Feminist Print Culture and Activist Aesthetics](#). University of Illinois Press, 2016.
- Wierzbicki, James Eugene. [Music in the Age of Anxiety: American Music in the Fifties](#). University of Illinois Press, 2016.

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, Monday–Friday, 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 enjoys 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?

- You can "catch" other people's stress with amazing speed? Psychologist Elaine Hartfield pioneered the concept of emotional contagion when she noticed her own moods changing after appointments with her patients. As early as infancy we learn to mimic the facial and vocal expressions of those around us. Scientists believe this teaches us empathy and emotional maturity. In [Seeking Serenity - The 10 New Rules for Health and Happiness in the Age of Anxiety](#), author Amanda Enayati explores ways we can keep our social connectivity at a healthy level in an age of stressful mass media. [pp. 155-156]
- Understanding the difference between networking and people-pleasing can determine if you're going to work for a company or run it. According to Mika Brzezinski, author of [Grow Your Value - Living and Working to Your Full Potential](#), people-pleasing is poison! It saps your value and your energy. Networking, on the other hand, is finding a useful connection between two people. It can be the single most influential factor in career advancement. For women, networking can be the crucial encouragement and professional wisdom needed to ask themselves "Why not me?!" [pp. 112-114]

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

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