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It's a beautiful world out there!

With spring fading into summer we all look forward to sunshine, backyard barbecues and getting away from it all. If you're planning a trip, the State Library has some wonderful resources to help make it memorable:

- Anderson, Christine, et al. [Fodor's the Carolinas & Georgia](#). New York: Fodor's Travel, a division of Random House, LLC, 2015.
- Benson, Sara. [San Francisco Bay Area & Wine Country Road Trips](#). Oakland, CA: Lonely Planet Publications, 2015.
- Gaaserud, Michaela Riva. [Maryland including Washington, D.C.](#) Berkeley, CA: Avalon Travel, 2015.
- Karlin, Adam. [Discover Florida: Experience the Best of Florida](#). Footscray, Victoria: Lonely Planet Publications Pty Ltd, 2015.
- Rhodes, Any. [Texas](#). Berkeley, CA: Avalon Travel, 2014.

Electronic books collection

We hope you're enjoying the State Library's popular [eRead](#) Illinois e-book collection with the new and improved 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 provided below:

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

Recent acquisitions include:

- Brennan, Sarah Rees. [Tell the Wind and Fire](#). Houghton Mifflin, 2016.
- Franze, Anthony. [The Advocate's Daughter](#). Macmillan, 2016.
- Perry, Anne. [Treachery at Lancaster Gate](#). [Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Series] Random House Digital, 2016.
- Perry, Marta. [The Rebel: Keepers of the Promise, Book Three](#). Penguin USA, 2016.
- Simonson, Helen. [The Summer Before the War](#). 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:

- [12 Danger Zones for Supervisors: Employment Law Training Program](#). Brentwood, TN: M. Lee Smith, 2006. Call number: **FOLIO VIDEO 344.7301 TWEL**

Each of the 12 DVDs focuses on a different Danger Zone (Hiring, Firing, Harassment, etc.) and, using a combination of dramatic vignettes and a panel discussion by legal experts, provides invaluable advice for dealing with employment law issues.

New print titles

Our collection of print materials continues to grow! You can search for and request books via our [online catalog](#). To request or recommend purchases that will help you with your job, please do not hesitate to contact **Taran Ley** at 217-785-5615 or tley@ilsos.net.

Recent acquisitions include:

- Donovan, John and Zucker, Caren. [In a Different Key: The Story of Autism](#). New York: Crown Publishers, 2016.
- Parrent, Mary Jansen. [Lest We Forget: War Stories and Memories of Germantown, Illinois Veterans](#). Evansville, Indiana: M. T. Publishing Company, Inc., 2015.
- Sieracki, Bernard H. A Just Cause: [The Impeachment and Removal of Governor Rod Blagojevich](#). Carbondale: Southern Illinois University Press, 2016.
- Steingold, Fred S. [The Employer's Legal Handbook](#). Berkeley, CA: Nolo Press, 2015.

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. You can request maps via our online catalog. A recent acquisition includes:

- [Sportsman's Guide to the Clearwater River](#). Cottonwood, ID: BLM Cottonwood Field Office, 2015.

Featured databases

State employees and elected officials can use their [State Library card](#) to access our 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" [Web page](#).

Our featured database is [Gale Virtual Reference Library](#). Gale Virtual Reference Library is an online library of trusted, authoritative electronic reference titles for multi-disciplinary research. Content provided in PDF (Portable Document Format) may be viewed or printed using your browser and Adobe Reader. Macintosh and Windows versions of Adobe Reader may be downloaded free from [Adobe](#).

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:

- [Lives of Fort de Chartres: Commandants, Soldiers, and Civilians in French Illinois, 1720-1770](#). Carbondale: Southern Illinois University Press, 2016
- [Report to the Illinois General Assembly](#). Springfield, Illinois: Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board, 2016.
- [You're Headed to Illinois!: University of Illinois Admitted Student Guide, Fall 2016](#). Urbana-Champaign, Illinois: University of Illinois, 2016

Reference reaches out

The State Library 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 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?

- In 2010, the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library found a small box of 4x6 note cards among the President's personal belongings. The handwritten cards contained the President's favorite aphorisms, jokes, and political wisdom. Although many of the President's staff had heard the collection existed, only Nancy Reagan had ever actually seen it. It's believed he started, what has become [The Notes](#) collection, when he was spokesperson at General Electric and continued throughout his presidency. Here is one of his favorites: "The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out."
- First Lady Jackie Kennedy is one of the most popular and beloved of all first ladies among the White House staff, but not just for her quiet graciousness and impeccable sense of style. The White House staff came to adore her relaxed and informal side as well-a side rarely seen by the public. In [The Residence - Inside the Private World of the White House](#), two staff members recall stepping off a White House elevator to find the First Lady sitting in the hallway, casually dressed in slacks, feet propped up on a chair while fiddling with her toes and talking on the phone. They were so caught off guard they both walked right into the wall! With over 200 pages of stories from butlers, maids, chefs, florists, doormen and others, this book gives an unprecedented behind-the-scenes look at everyday life at the White House, spanning 50 years and 10 presidential administrations.

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

Illinois State Library contact information

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- Map Collection: 217-782-7596, islinfo@ilsos.net
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- [Library Catalog](#)
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