Quotes of the Month

“Persistent questioning and healthy inquisitiveness are the first requisite for acquiring learning of any kind”. Mahatma Gandhi

“The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows”. Sydney J. Harris

“Hold fast to dreams for if dreams die life is a broken winged bird that cannot fly”. Langston Hughes submitted by Michelle Alexander

A friendly reminder from Barbara Cavanaugh to all media staff:

Please identify all your library materials with school number & name, so that when the books are returned to the warehouse as lost property they can be returned to the rightful owner. Thanks!

Our first newsletter garnered great response, and I thank those of you who sent me emails with feedback. I believe everything in life is a “work in progress” and there is always room for improvement, similarly our newsletters too will evolve and aim to provide valuable information!

Don’t forget to send me your favorite quote and a picture of your school library to publish in the newsletter: Natasha_P_Pamnani@mcpsmd.org

Think SPRING..... It’s right around the corner, in the meantime stay warm and be safe 😊

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MEDIA PROCESSING: 301-279-3122

Please mark your calendar for Early Ordering Day @ CTI Tuesday, June 16th

News from Carol Briggs and Mary Werner about cataloging!

Sometimes we get questions about call numbers. People occasionally see different call numbers on other schools’ copies, Baker & Taylor spine labels, and the title details screen on Destiny. Don’t worry about these! Look at the call number on the MARC record. When you add a copy in Destiny, the call number will auto-fill from the MARC record. This is the right one.

Want to learn more about this topic? Check out this 5 minute screen cast video on the SLMP Sharepoint site. Look under Destiny-Sharing Best Practices. The video is called “add copy and call number tips.”

https://collaborate.mcpsmd.org/sites/SLMP/destinyfaq/Home.aspx

EBooks are not available to order via FMS, however, you can create a non-catalog request. If you are not sure how to create a non-catalog request – please send me an email with all the relevant information and I will let you know how to proceed further. Remember, e-titles must also be in compliance with normal DAE procedures. Thanks, Pinkie.

The link to our webpage: http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/materials/media-instructional/

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J. J. Audubon’s The Birds of America, published in 1840, is the most valuable book in the world. It sold for $8,802,500 in March 2000—the highest price ever paid for a book!

http://www.factmonster.com/ipka/A0932306.html

LIBRARY AT RIDGEVIEW MS – PHOTO SUBMITTED BY ANA MITTON

Did you know we repair T-83 calculators for schools? If you have any scientific calculators that need repair you can send them via “pony” to Jeff Hawkins at Media Processing. Please allow 2-3 weeks turnaround time.

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A “TIP” from Donna Marks, Communications Specialist
Editorial, Graphics & Publishing Services

i.e. and e.g.

The notation *i.e.* typically introduces a rewording or clarification. The etymology is Latin: *i.e.* stands for *id est,* meaning *that is.*

Example: Please bring the required documents along with your application (i.e., driver’s license and letter of recommendation).

The notation *e.g.* introduces one or more examples that illustrate an explanation. The etymology is Latin: *e.g.* stands for *exempli gratia,* meaning *for example.*

Example: The store carries foods imported from Asian countries (e.g., Thailand, China, and Japan).

Both *i.e.* and *e.g.* are preceded by a comma.

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**How did e-Books begin?**

An article that was published in the Guardian in London, England in 2011 shared that Michael Stern Hart, who was a digital archivist but referred to himself as the “grandfather of eBooks” was born in Tacoma Seattle on 8th March 1947.

His real aim was to change the world. In 1971, Hart realized that electronic texts could be copied and distributed at no cost, and he founded Project Gutenberg to make “out-of-copyright” books freely and universally available. His mission was to "help break down the bars of ignorance and illiteracy".

The project started by accident, (after a July 4th fireworks display). Hart was a student at the University of Illinois, and had been given some free time on a mainframe computer. "We were just coming up to the American bicentennial and they put faux-parchment historical documents in with the groceries," he said in 2002. "So, as I fumbled through my backpack for something to eat, I found the US Declaration of Independence and had a light bulb moment. I thought for a while to see if I could figure out anything I could do with the computer that would be more important than typing in the Declaration of Independence and had a light bulb moment. I thought for a while to see if I could figure out anything I could do with the computer that would be more important than typing in the Declaration of Independence, something that would still be there 100 years later, but couldn't come up with anything, and so Project Gutenberg was born."

Hart thus became the internet’s first information provider, before the internet had been invented. After the Declaration of Independence, John F Kennedy’s inaugural address, Lincoln’s Gettysburg address and other civic documents, Hart started on the King James Bible. It finally appeared online in 1989. The first novel online was Moby-Dick (Guardian, 2011). Michael Stern Hart passed away of a heart attack on September 6, 2011.


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A book recommended by Bill Gates, The Rosie Project, a novel, by Graeme Simsion. "Melinda picked up this novel earlier this year, and she loved it so much that she kept stopping to read passages to me. Anyone who occasionally gets overly logical will identify with the hero, a genetics professor with Asperger’s Syndrome who goes looking for a wife. (Melinda thought I would appreciate the parts where he’s a little too obsessed with optimizing his schedule. She was right.) It’s a funny and profound book about being comfortable with who you are and what you’re good at. It is one of the most enjoyable novels I’ve read in a long time".

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To find out about MCPS property that **must** be barcoded and items that **don’t** need to be barcoded, please click on this link


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Do you plan on watching the Academy Awards on 2/22/2015? If so, you might want to check out this link. Many of the films nominated were books before they became movies!

[http://www.nypl.org/blog/2015/02/18/books-film-oscars](http://www.nypl.org/blog/2015/02/18/books-film-oscars)

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Project Gutenberg offers **48,207** free eBooks to download at:

[http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/](http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/)

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“The youngest female author was Dorothy Straight. She was only 4 when she wrote *How the World Began,* in 1964, for her grandmother. Her parents thought it was good enough to be published. They were right! The youngest male author was Dennis Vollmer who wrote *Joshua Disobeys* in 1987 at age 6”.

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