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116th Vermont Library Conference

Where Tradition & Transformation **CONVERGE**

Norma Blake & Peggy Cadigan

David Macaulay

Going Green

Books

Technology

Social Networking

Awards

Lunch

And More!



A Tradition Transformed



A One-Day, educational (and fun) gathering for librarians



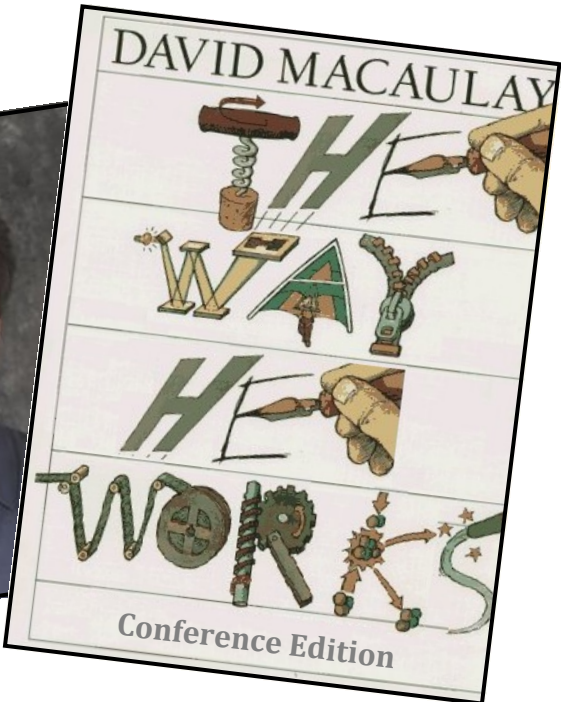
**Tuesday, May 25, 2010
St. Michael's College
Colchester, Vermont**



3:10 - 4:15

CLOSING GENERAL SESSION

McCarthy Arts Center



4:15 - 5:00

**VERMONT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

McCarthy Arts Center

5:00 - ???

POST-CONFERENCE "RECEPTION"

McKee's Pub & Grill
19 East Allen Street ~ Downtown Winooski

Schmooze, network, chat, converse, discuss, eat, drink and otherwise chill with your colleagues. (Cash bar)



2:00 - 3:00

CONCURRENT SESSION C

C1 Green Libraries [St. Edmund's 315]

Alex Gutelius - Clifton Park-Halfmoon (NY) Public Library

For workshop description, see A1 under Concurrent Session A.

C2 Library Grants: Ideas, Tips & Tricks [McCarthy Arts Center]

Ryan Torres - Vermont Community Foundation, Linda Wells - Craftsbury Public Library & Sam Maskell - Rockingham Free Public Library

During these tough economic times libraries need help too. Grants can be great sources of supplemental resources. Whether you're a veteran grant writer or just starting out, this workshop will give you lots of ideas, tips and tricks. Each panelist will give a ten minute overview on some of their best ideas and then there will be ample time for your questions.

C3 Organizational Culture [Alliot 212]

Lawrence Webster - Webster Consulting Services

Do you have a sticky problem in your library? One that just won't go away? Repeated internal communications issues? Problems with community support? Some of these common difficulties can be overcome by using the concepts of organizational culture to examine your library. What are the underlying values and attitudes that inform workplace atmosphere and customer service? What are the unwritten rules, customs, beliefs, and expectations? How do you acculturate new employees? Deal with rebels? Recognize culture clashes? Can a "culture" be changed? How?

This interactive workshop will introduce concepts to give library staff new ways of understanding problems - and solving them. There will be a brief presentation and time for questions and discussion. The workshop is designed to be useful to public and academic libraries of all sizes.

C4 Dewey or Not? [Alliot 230]

Lorraine Lanisus - VT DOL & Michael DeSanto - Phoenix Books

Words vs. numbers: Word-based organization has become a much talked about trend in public libraries. Using words instead of the Dewey Decimal Classification System provides customers the ability to browse and find exactly what they want without having to interpret numerical codes. It works for bookstores, will it (or should it) work for Vermont libraries?

C5 School-Age Programming on a Shoestring [Cheray 111]

Gail Lavaude - Bradford Public Library

Are you ready for the school-age crew this summer? Gail offers art, crafts and basic science programs to get you through some long hot days of summer programming.



Where Tradition & Transformation CONVERGE

116th Vermont Library Conference

8:00 - 9:00

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Durick Library

CONVERSATION, COFFEE, TEA & PASTRIES

McCarthy Arts Center

9:00 - 10:30

OPENING GENERAL SESSION

McCarthy Arts Center

Annual Awards Presentation

(So many awards, so little time)

The Library of the Future: the Indispensable Library

with

Norma Blake and Peggy Cadigan



Norma Blake



Peggy Cadigan

Norma Blake and Peggy Cadigan of the New Jersey State Library offer their views on the future of the library. The current economic climate requires libraries to make themselves indispensable to their communities. What does it take to be indispensable?

Talented, forward-looking and inventive librarians, these two include photos and examples of innovative library policy and practice to change and rejuvenate the libraries we are managing.

Come ready to be inspired, ready to learn, and ready for the insights that will define the library in years to come.



10:40 - 11:40

CONCURRENT SESSION A

A1 Green Libraries [Alliot 230]

Alex Gutelius - Clifton Park-Halfmoon (NY) Public Library

The Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library is a LEED-certified library that saves thousands of dollars in energy costs annually and provides a healthy indoor environment for patrons and staff. Learn about the choices that were made throughout the planning and building process and the impact being "green" has had on the operation of the library.

A2 A Conversation with Norma & Peggy [Alliot 212]

Norma Blake & Peggy Cadigan - New Jersey State Library

Want to think about and discuss further the library of the future? Meet Norma Blake and Peggy Cadigan face to face for an informal discussion of their ideas and insights on public libraries.

A3 Switching to Koha: Brave or Stupid? [McCarthy Arts Center]

Deborah Kahn - Warren Public Library, Richard Pritsky - Carpenter Carse Library & Nate Curulla - ByWater Solutions

Koha is fast becoming the integrated library system (ILS) of choice in Vermont. This panel discussion will talk about migrating your current ILS to the open-source Koha ILS. There will be plenty of time for Q&A too.

A4 Reality Is What You Make It: Collection Management in Two Vermont Academic Libraries [Cheray 111]

Ben Johnson - VT Technical College & Laura Crain - St. Michael's College

Discover collection management philosophies and techniques from the front lines of library service delivery in an experiential college learning environment AND from the collection management/tech services division of a liberal arts college. Learn about evidence-based content decisions: analyzing usage statistics, allocation formulas that shift a significant portion of book purchasing toward high circulation subject areas, decisions tied to cost-per-use, new subscriptions based on evidence of "expected use." The panel will examine what can rationally be accomplished with a small staff and presents provocative questions and propositions intended to elicit responses and discussion from attendees.

A5 Programs & Storytimes for Children & Teens with Special Needs [St. Edmund's 315]

Tracey Dugdale & Jan Weiner - Norman Williams Library

Even in a small town, it's possible to create welcoming, inclusive, individualized programs that serve youth with Asperger's disorder, youth in wheelchairs, and youth with other disabilities.



11:45 - 12:45

CONFERENCE LUNCHEON

Green Mountain Dining Hall - Alliot Student Center
Good Food & Great Conversation
Section Meetings & Roundtable Discussions

12:50 - 1:50

CONCURRENT SESSION B

B1 Red Clover, Dorothy Canfield Fisher & Green Mountain Book Awards Extravaganza [Alliot 230]

Grace Greene - VT DOL, Sally Anderson - Mother Goose Programs & Hannah Peacock - Burnham Memorial Library

Calling all youth services librarians: experience all three Vermont children's choice book awards, covering kindergarten through high school, with brief introductions of the nominees for 2011. A great shortcut if you're wondering what titles to buy for each age group.

B2 Get Your Library on Facebook & Twitter in Under an Hour [Cheray 111]

Stephanie Chase - Stowe Free Library & Mara Siegel - VT DOL

The title says it all, Now, let's make it happen. Come prepared with a laptop (if you can), and we'll get your library on Facebook and Twitter with time to spare for questions.

B3 Rapid Reviews [McCarthy Arts Center]

Amy Howlett - VT DOL, Ernie Drown & Susan Guilmette - Barton Public Library

Three reviewers present the best of the non-bestseller adult fiction and nonfiction from the past year. It's a quirky list, but we guarantee you'll go home with something you will want to read.

B4 Best Practices and Tools for Chat Reference Service [Alliot 212]

Janette Shaffer - Community College of Vermont

This presentation will review the most commonly used IM chat applications for reference service in college libraries. There will be a brief comparison of the features available in the various applications. The best practices discussion will address issues of implementing, promoting, and staffing the service, as well as the reference interview process and overcoming chat language and idioms. Q&A and open discussion to follow presentation and demonstration.