

SAILS Network News

March, 2020



Legislative Day

By Lisa Hart

The Massachusetts Library Association is holding its annual Library Legislative Day on Thursday, April 2 at the State House. This is an annual event that allows library supporters to advocate for increased state library funding.



As has been done in the past, SAILS is chartering a bus that will take attendees to and from Boston. The bus will make 3 stops beginning at 8:00AM to pick up passengers – New York Bagel in Fall River, Staples Plaza in Raynham, and Lowes Plaza in West Bridgewater. The cost is \$10 per person. To register for the bus fill out this form:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R8TXDF8>

Also, please remember to register for the event at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/malibleg20>

Time and again legislators have said it is critically important for library supporters to communicate the need for funding. This is the main event of the year to speak up for libraries and it is important that everyone participate.

April Membership Meeting Reminder - Location and Time Change

By Kathy Lussier

The April Membership meeting will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 15 at the North Dartmouth Library.

The meeting has a new date and location, so be sure to update your calendars. Meeting attendees will have an opportunity to see the new North Dartmouth Branch Library, which just opened in January.

The time change was made in an effort to get more school library members to participate in the SAILS Membership meetings. Each school district with SAILS members gets one vote in any business that arises at the Membership meeting, but any number of school librarians from the district are invited to attend.

Tressa Santillo from the Massachusetts Library System will be attending the April Membership meeting to review SORA, the Overdrive app available to school libraries. She will also talk about how students are using SORA to link to their public library accounts.

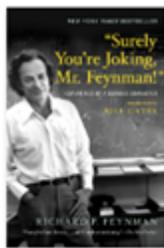
Library Extension for Chrome



By Laurie Lessner

Last month I shared the following add-in for Google Chrome called, the Library Extension: <https://www.libraryextension.com>

I've started using it and Love It!! I've added all the networks' Overdrive collections to the tool and when I am in Goodreads, for example, can find if any of the other networks have a copy of the title, then go direct and place a hold or checkout the title. If this sounds great to you, and you need help with installation, email llessner@sailsinc.org. - Laurie



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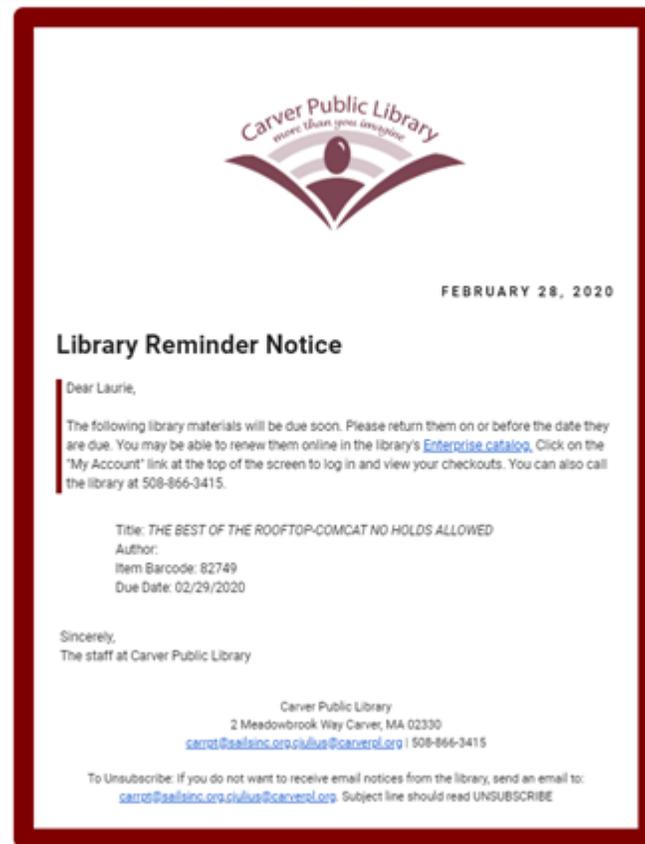
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Pretty Notices Coming Soon!

By Laurie Lessner

This month, March, we will be wrapping up testing of the html notices and will begin to replace some of your regular email notices with these nicely formatted versions. The notices will be available for the three overdue reports; 7 day, 28 days, and 56 days. We will use the same library selections as the existing reports, so if your library doesn't normally send out a seven day notice, you still won't. The due date reminder notices and hold pickup reminder notices are also part of the revamping, as is the hold pickup notice. When patrons reply to these emails, they will now go to the email we have for your circulation contact. Please review this list at: <https://www.sailsinc.org/contactinfo-3/circulation-contacts/> and let support@sailsinc.org know of any corrections.

Here is an example of the due date reminder notice.



The next phase of the project will be to convert the bill notices that some libraries have chosen to send out.

As always, please let us know of any questions you may have.

BC Analytics Clean-Up Project

By Laurie Lessner

For those of you who have braved Blue Cloud Analytics, we commend you! Seriously, it was a mess and as a librarian I should be ashamed. However, instead of wallowing in self-doubt, I tried to organize the shared reports folder to get it in a more usable condition. There are folders based on the subject of the report you're trying to find. So if you want to report on how many items are in a particular location, those will be found in the Catalog-Item folder. The Collection Development folder has reports that can be used to evaluate your collection.

However, as most of you may know, you can take the same report and tell a different story with the results, so someone's collection development report may be useful to someone else looking for how much activity a particular collection is getting after an author talk, for example. Obviously there are millions of ways to look at these, and that's why we have millions of reports set up for you to use! So please jump in and play.

There are details for almost each report on what it is doing. In most cases, you will need to fill out a form to get the results you want. If you can't find what you're looking for or don't want to play around and just want the results, now!, please fill out this form and we'll get you what you are looking for - <https://www.sailsinc.org/workflowsrequest/>.

Clarification on Sharing Macmillan eBook Titles

By Kathy Lussier

SAILS previously communicated that Macmillan eBooks bought through Overdrive in the first eight weeks of release could not be shared with other libraries, but that eBooks bought after eight weeks could be shared.

Unfortunately, further clarification from Overdrive has revealed that no Macmillan eBook titles published 11/1/2019 or later can be shared with other libraries, regardless of when they are purchased. Overdrive is still waiting for clarification from Macmillan as to whether the titles can eventually become shareable over time.

What this means for your users:

If your users have placed holds on Macmillan eBook titles in Overdrive and your library does not own a copy, your users will need to wait for the SAILS copy to become available. Although SAILS has started using state grant funds to purchase second copies of titles with high demand, the network is not purchasing second copies of Macmillan titles because the grant guidelines restrict us from using the funds for titles that cannot be shared with other networks. Several SAILS libraries have decided against purchasing any Macmillan eBook titles, but the consortium will continue to purchase one copy of titles that fit our selection criteria. Macmillan digital audiobooks are still shareable with libraries throughout and beyond the network.

SAILS Technical Services Librarian Chelsea Hester has created a handout to help you find out which Overdrive titles have holds from your patrons. You can find the handout at <https://www.sailsinc.org/user-services/>.

More information about general Overdrive licensing restrictions can be found at <https://www.sailsinc.org/catalog/overdrive-faq/>. Feel free to share this link with patrons who have questions about Overdrive wait times.

Feel free to send any questions to support@sailsinc.org.

Multiple Holds to Be Available for More Profiles

By Kathy Lussier

The ability to place multiple holds on a title for users with a STAFF profile has been available since January.

Based on the recommendation of the Circ Policy Committee, SAILS is planning to add this ability to patrons with a FACULTY, TEACHER or CORRECTION profile. The new functionality will

go into effect Tuesday, March 3.

This new feature is useful for users who need to place holds for a book group. The feature is implemented in two places:

- In Workflows, staff will be able to place a hold on behalf of patrons with these profiles without being required to enter an override password for each subsequent hold.
- Users with these profiles who log into Enterprise will be able to place multiple holds on a title even if they already have a hold on the title. Enterprise will not provide a warning to these users that they have already placed a hold on the title.

The FACULTY profile is one that is used by teachers from school or academic libraries that are members of SAILS. The TEACHER profile is one used in some public libraries to provide special privileges to teachers using their library.

Anyone with questions about this new feature should contact SAILS at support@sailsinc.org.

Digital History Collection Informational Session

By Chelsea Hester

As the newest member of the SAILS Team I am excited to announce a Digital History Collection Informational Session! If you have been patiently waiting to work on your digital projects ever since the illustrious Kristin Slater left, or if you are just now thinking you might be interested in getting started this is the event for you!

Join me on April 14, 2020 from 10:00AM-12:00PM here at the SAILS Headquarters at 10 Riverside Dr. Suite 102, Lakeville MA, 02347. You can register for this event here: <http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=SAILS&curID=432742>.

I look forward to getting started!

Overdrive Marketplace Training Scheduled for April 9

By Kathy Lussier

Overdrive Account Manager Kristin Preyss will be visiting SAILS on Thursday, April 9 to provide training on using Overdrive Marketplace.

The workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Raynham Public Library.

In this session, attendees will learn how to manage demand for their Overdrive collection. Participants will will learn how to use automated carts and reports to see how to best keep up

with holds and find out when licenses for high-demand titles are about to expire. Participants are welcome to bring any other questions they have about Marketplace.

Sign up for this workshop at <https://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=SAILS&curMode=ADMIN&curHelp=&curID=432742&tEvt=6433150>

Highlights from the February Board Meeting

By Kathy Lussier

- The Board voted to change the employee health insurance plan to Tufts Health Insurance. SAILS will see a 3.08 percent increase in health insurance costs over the next year.
- Circ Policy Committee recommendations for adding a second override password to provide a higher level of access for allowing some circulation functions were reviewed. Kathy will share the recommendations with directors before the network implements the change. The Board also reviewed a recommendation to allow multiple holds to be placed on one title for users with a CORRECTION, FACULTY, or TEACHER profile.
- SAILS Executive Director Kathy Lussier reviewed the activity for the academic and non-network public libraries that are participating in the SAILS Overdrive collection through an agreement with the Massachusetts Library System. Most of the public libraries participating are small, and circulations have been low compared to the activity from SAILS libraries. Only one academic library has seen significant activity in the collection. MLS will be doing an open enrollment for libraries to sign up for this collection in the spring. Based on the statistics, pricing will remain the same for any new academic or non-network public libraries that join.
- The Board approved requests for the SAILS Executive Director to attend the SirsiDynix User Group conference in Provo, Utah in April and ALA Annual in Chicago in June.

Network Stats

Circulation (no Overdrive):

Total Items Circulated: 343,740

Items Loaned between SAILS Libraries: 74,743

OverDrive Circulation to SAILS patrons:

Ebook: 28,745

Audio Book: 17,453

Video: 55

Magazines: 1,027

Database Size:

Titles: 1,138,075

Items: 3,621,257
Total Patrons: 435,788



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