

*Early Birds: Register before **June 30<sup>th</sup>** and be entered in a draw!*

**PLEASE NOTE:** *There will be no refunds on any cancelled registrations after September 8<sup>th</sup>.*

**Fee schedule:**

<i>NLLS Member Library Staff or Board Member</i>	<i>\$140.00</i>
<i>Non Member Library Staff or Board Member</i>	<i>\$170.00</i>
<i>Exhibitor</i>	<i>\$220.00</i>

*Amount remitted (payable to Northern Lights Library System) \$ \_\_\_\_\_*

*Conference fees includes lunch and dinner on Thursday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday; refreshments, all sessions, and registration packages. As well as, a live band on Thursday night.*

*Please put a check beside the meals you will be having with us:*

<u><i>Thursday</i></u>	<u><i>Friday</i></u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Lunch</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Breakfast</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Dinner</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Lunch</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Dinner</i>

**\*** *Please list all food allergies that you have, so that we might make accommodations for your dietary needs.*

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**Registration Information**

*Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Address:* \_\_\_\_\_

*City:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Phone:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Fax:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Email address:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of library/organization:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Board Member*  *Library Manager*  *Library Staff*  *Other*

**Payment must be received by September 8<sup>th</sup>**

*Please remit payment and registration to:*

*Northern Lights Library System*

*Bag 8*

*Elk Point, AB T0A 1A0*

*Northern Lights Library System  
presents:*

*Come Celebrate!  
Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*



*Annual Conference 2015  
September 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>*

# Come Celebrate!

## Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

September 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015

- Early bird registration deadline is **June 30<sup>th</sup>**. Names of early registrants will be entered in a draw to receive their conference fee reimbursed.
- Registration fees cover all sessions, registration packages, meals and snacks on Thursday and Friday. As well as, a live band on Thursday evening.
- The last day to register is **September 8<sup>th</sup>**; until then, 50% of the fee will be reimbursed for cancellations.
- Please note that some of the sessions have **limited space**. They are available on a first come, first served basis. If you are sending in your registration by mail or van run, mark your first **and** second choices for each session period. For online registration mark one choice. If the session is full, the online form will not allow you to choose it.
- **Evaluation Forms** will be provided in your registration package. Please give us your feedback by leaving the completed forms at the Registration Desk.
- In your registration package, you will receive a barcode. Have an NLLS employee scan the barcode to see if you have won one of the great door prizes supplied by our sponsors. There will also be a draw for next year's Jasper Conference registration (a \$250 value).
- Accommodations: for a list of places to stay that still have availability, please check the NLLS website <http://www.nlls.ab.ca>  
**Book early as availability is limited.**
- For any questions or concerns please contact Tracy Jamieson by phone at 1-800-561-0387 / 780-724-2596 ext. 221 or by e-mail at [info@nlls.ab.ca](mailto:info@nlls.ab.ca)
- Register online at:  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/25th-anniversary-gala-tickets-14172669837>  
or send in the form included on the back page of this brochure. With the online registration, you can pay by credit card, cheque or have an invoice sent to you.

**\*\*As this is our 25th Anniversary, you are encouraged to wear your semi-formal attire for our Celebration Supper on September 17<sup>th</sup>.\*\***

# Registration Form

*Number your first and second choices in the spaces provided.*

## Thursday, September 17

Pre-Conference 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

- \_\_\_\_\_ Book Repair **Limit 15**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Genealogy or Who Do You Think You Are? **Limit 20**
- \_\_\_\_\_ The Dewey Divas and The Dudes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Makerspace
- \_\_\_\_\_ NLLS Tours

Session A 2:30 pm - 3:45 pm

- \_\_\_\_\_ A1 GELA Prison Project
- \_\_\_\_\_ A2 Live On The Network; Serving People With Print Disabilities
- \_\_\_\_\_ A3 New Trustee Resources & Forum
- \_\_\_\_\_ A4 One Thousand Years of Libraries

Session B 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

- \_\_\_\_\_ B1 School-House Public Libraries
- \_\_\_\_\_ B2 Are You Up To "T"?
- \_\_\_\_\_ B3 Tips & Tricks with Polaris **Limit 20**
- \_\_\_\_\_ B4 Comics In Your Library

## Friday, September 18

Session C 9:00 am - 10:30 am

- \_\_\_\_\_ C1 Up Word! Let's Go On An MS PUB Crawl-Beginner **Limit 20**
- \_\_\_\_\_ C2 First, Catch Your Reader! Attracting and retaining the literary attention of high school students
- \_\_\_\_\_ C3 A Countess In Limbo (book talk)
- \_\_\_\_\_ C4 Team Building--Lost At Sea **Limit 30**

Session D 10:45 am - 12:00 pm

- \_\_\_\_\_ D1 Advocacy That Matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ D2 Baby Rhyme Time
- \_\_\_\_\_ D3 Changing Newbies to Knowbies
- \_\_\_\_\_ D4 Communication Basics **Limit 30**  
(note this is a 90 min. session)

Session E 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

- \_\_\_\_\_ E1 The Power Of MS PUB-Advanced **Limit 20**
- \_\_\_\_\_ E2 Acquisitions
- \_\_\_\_\_ E3 Board Round Table
- \_\_\_\_\_ E4 Public Library Services Branch Update (Alberta Municipal Affairs)



# Keynote Speakers

*Sponsors have generously provided donations to help make this conference possible. Please help us in thanking them:*

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- \* Village of Mannville
- \* Town of Vermilion
- \* Town of St. Paul

*Exhibitors will be showing their latest offerings in the main hall from 12:00 p.m. on Thursday until 7:00 p.m. on Friday.*

- \* Happy Harbor Comics
- \* Legacy Library Services
- \* Princess Florence
- \* ULS
- \* CELA
- \* Saskatchewan Publisher's Group
- \* World Book Educational Products
- \* Foothills
- \* Living Books



## Thursday Lunch:



**Daleen Pinder**

Daleen is a professionally trained life coach. She received her training through Erickson International College of Coaching in Vancouver, BC. Her love for helping others along with her positive energy is infectious. She naturally brings out the best in people. Her obvious zest for life and inner radiance shines brightly as she talks about a topic she is passionate about "How to Love your Busy Life."

## Friday Lunch:



**Sue Carscallen**

Sue was born in Calgary, and educated at the University of Calgary (B.Ed.) and the University of British Columbia (T.E.S.L.). Her teaching career spanned twenty-eight years mostly with the Calgary Board of Education but, also with the County of Vulcan. An interest in history and photography prepared Sue for her journey into her Great-Aunt Countess Olga Hendrikoff's secretive and exotic past.

## Friday Dinner:



**Denise Miller**

Denise is a relational communication strategist with a unique ability to entertain, engage and educate. Her work developed from years of experiences in individual, couple and group sessions as well, facilitating workshops and trainings for associations and businesses. She also traveled Canada and the world as an award-winning journalist and heart-opening storytelling artist. Denise offers an eye-opening new look at the ways you can take responsibility for knowing, understanding and accepting others the very way you have always wanted someone to know, understand and accept you!

## Thursday Evening Entertainment



**Shane Larmand & The King Size Players**

This classic rock, classic country and blues band has played numerous events in the Elk Point/Bonnyville area. Shane is a Music/Art teacher at F.G. Miller Jr./Sr. High School and his band is comprised of his best music students from right here in Elk Point.

# Thursday, September 17

7:30 am - 9:00 am Registration

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Pre-Conference Sessions

## Book Repair **Limit 15**

*NLLS Staff*

Something old, something new! How do you treat your books within your collection? This session will show you how NLLS breaks in new books, offer suggestions for preventative measures, as well as give you hands on training. Come prepared with items from your collection that need some TLC and we will guide you through the process of book repair.

## Genealogy or Who Do You Think You Are? **Limit 20**

*Pat McNamee*

One of the most popular pastimes in North America. It brings family, history and mysteries together in one entertaining package. Come and glean a little about finding your ancestors and learn how to help others begin the journey.

## The Dewey Divas and The Dudes

This session is offered to libraries across the country from Vancouver to Montreal. There are eight divas representing over 600 publishers between them — Ampersand, Penguin, Thomas Allen, Canadian Manda, Scholastic, Harper Collins, Martin & Associates, and Random House. Come join us for a recorded presentation of the best offerings for your library collection!

## Makerspace

Come and see what NLLS has in new product ideas for Makerspace and what we can offer you for programming ideas and kits.

## NLLS Tours

Tour 1 — 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Tour 2 — 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Keynote Speaker - Daleen Pinder



# Friday, September 18

**E** 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm



## **E1** The Power of MS PUB-Advanced **Limit 20**

*Denise Bjorkman*

*F.G. Miller Jr./Sr. High School*

Miss Lilly Librarian is back to show you the power of PUB! If you are already familiar with the Microsoft Publisher Program, this session will show you how to promote your library with bookmarks, posters, certificates and anything else you want to create. Become a PUB Powerhouse at the MS PUB-Advanced session!

## **E2** Acquisitions

*NLLS Staff*

Need help with adding books to your collection? Have questions about the best way to order for your library? Would you like to share your collection development and ordering techniques with your fellow librarians? Join us for a "No-Holds Barred" Acquisitions session where we can help answer questions like "What is Hotlist?", "What does Super Forthcoming mean?", "How do I use the CCD Tool?", "What are bestsellers?". There will be time for your own acquisitions questions as well!

## **E3** Board Round Table

*Ken Allan*

*Public Library Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs*

Ken will lead a round table, discussing the library's governing documents; such as, policies, budget and plan of service. Bring your questions, let's discuss what works for you and what doesn't, and your tips and tricks. This is a time for information sharing.

## **E4** Public Library Services Branch Update

*Kerry Anderson/Diana Davidson*

*Public Library Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs*

Public Library Services Branch has had a very busy year! Come hear about the new and exciting initiatives that PLSB has to offer to support all Albertans through Alberta's Public Libraries.

4:45 pm - 6:00 pm Dinner

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Keynote Speaker - Denise Miller /  
Closing Announcements



Friday, September 18

**D** 10:45 am - 12:00 pm



**D1 Advocacy That Matters**

Meredith Bratland  
Parkland Regional Library System

What happens when you develop and implement a targeted advocacy plan for your library? Learn how small, rural libraries in central Alberta are telling their story and raising both library awareness and support in their communities by leveraging their Plan of Service, local statistical data and the resources available in The Library Effect toolkit. Be inspired to get going on your own advocacy plan and reap the rewards!

**D2 Baby Rhyme Time**

Tanya Boudreau  
Cold Lake Public Library-Harbour View Branch

What are some must know rhymes, songs and books for Baby Rhyme Time (ages birth to 18 months)? See what works for us; share what works for you. Pick 2 or 3 of your favorite rhymes and be ready to share them at the workshop. Submit the text to Tanya by September 1 so they can be compiled into a take-home booklet. Please include your name and library. Contact information: Tanya Boudreau - [manager2@library.coldlake.ab.ca](mailto:manager2@library.coldlake.ab.ca)

**D3 Changing Newbies to Knowbies**

Laura Ross-Giroux  
Alberta Library Trustees' Assoc.

Do you have new library trustees on your Library Board or perhaps you are new yourself? Join us, as we take a look at creating an Orientation Toolkit for New Library Trustees.

**D4 Communication Basics** **Limit 30**

Kathryn Hotte  
Hotte Training

**\*Please note this is a 90 minute session\***  
Knowing how to communicate and how to communicate effectively is everything! Poor communication negatively affects our family and work relationships. We all want to be able to better communicate and gain understanding with others. This workshop will showcase the three channels of communication, the barriers to communication and gaining great listening skills.

12:15 pm - 1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Keynote Speaker - Sue Carscallen

Thursday, September 17

**A** 2:30 pm - 3:45 pm



**A1 GELA Prison Project**

Allison Sivak

Inspired by a talk given by a woman reintegrating into the community after her prison sentence, members of the Greater Edmonton Library Association (GELA) began to talk about what a revamped prison library service could offer women still inside. These early discussions became the seeds of our work in local prisons. This work includes collection building, inmate book clubs, a storybook recording project, and a partnership with Edmonton Public Library to get materials to inmates. Come hear the reflections of incarcerated women and volunteers on how libraries can provide hope!

**A2 Live On The Network: Serving People With Print Disabilities**

Sabina Iseli-Otto, NNELS  
Peter Bailey, CELA  
Kimberly Johnson, Province of Alberta

The National Network of Equitable Library Service (NNELS) and Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) offer unique, but complementary services to Albertans with print disabilities through their local libraries. Learn how public libraries in Alberta are using both CELA and NNELS to provide library services for people with print disabilities in their communities.

**A3 New Trustee Resources & Forum**

Laura Ross-Giroux  
Alberta Library Trustees' Assoc.

You don't have to travel to the ALC to attend a Trustee Forum. Join us and let's discuss ideas, best practices and address any concerns you may have. You will also want to check out the two new Trustee Resources; the newly revised Trustee Handbook with more content than ever before and a New Trustee Resource, the one everyone has been asking for and was launched this year! Did you hear, it's ALTA's 45th Anniversary next year? Did you know you are part of the celebration?

**A4 One Thousand Years of Libraries**

Grant Chaney  
The Alberta Library

The concept of a library is ancient. They have existed for many thousands of years and will continue to exist well into the future. Grant Chaney, the CEO of The Alberta Library, will revisit the role of libraries 500 years ago and will speculate about libraries 500 years from now. But most importantly, he will discuss what TAL and libraries around the world are doing today. In particular, he will address how they can meet current challenges and develop opportunities through collaboration.

# Thursday, September 17

**B** 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm



## **B1** School-House Public Libraries

*Jen Anderson*

*Public Library Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs*

Jen will provide some preliminary results from her visits to over 60 school-housed public libraries in Alberta. Topics of discussion will include an overview of statistical information, a review of agreement best practices and the challenges and opportunities that these arrangements present.

## **B2** Are You Up To “T”?

*Miss Lilly Librarian*

She’s baaacckkk! Join Miss Lilly Librarian for a totally tantalizing up-cycle treat! Too cool ideas you can “up-cycle forward” with your patrons at no cost! All you need is a pair of scissors and 2 tattered t-shirts. What are we transforming these t’s into? Guess you will have to register to find out.....oh, and don’t forget the scissors and t-shirts!

## **B3** Tips & Tricks with Polaris

**Limit 20**

*Jodi Dahlgren, Library Manager*

*Wainwright Public Library*

If you are simply using Polaris to check in/out, attend this session to learn more about Reports and Notices, the Find Tool, Circulation and so much more! Come armed with your questions and be prepared to take home some tips and tricks that will streamline your workflow. Are you getting the most out of Polaris?

## **B4** Comics In Your Library

*Jay Bardyla*

*Happy Harbor Comics*

A library is often thought of as a resource, but in the current day of easy and immediate access, libraries need to look at their facilities in new ways, such as a retail store. How are you attracting customers? Which customers aren't visiting your store? How do you make your books pop and grab interest? And how can the rising boom in pop culture, particularly from comics, help you make your library a bustling place people want to be? Jay will discuss demographics, retail concepts, displays and event ideas, along with a basic introduction to comics and how you can use them to help put some pop (culture) into your library!

5:45 pm - 6:45 pm *Dinner*

6:45 pm - 8:45 pm *Shane Larmand & The King Size  
Players Band*

# Friday, September 18

7:00 am - 9:00 am

*Registration*

7:30 am - 8:45 am

*Breakfast*

**C**

9:00 am - 10:30 am



## **C1** Up Word! Let’s Go on an MS PUB Crawl - Beginner

**Limit 20**

*Denise Bjorkman*

*F.G. Miller Jr./Sr. High School*

Feeling oppressed by Word? Is your creativity stifled and you just can’t get your fabulous inspirations on paper? Join Miss Lilly Librarian on your first ever MS PUB Crawl! Starting with tabs (and a free drink!), the basics of Microsoft Publisher will be shared and you will be well on your way to get those creative juices flowing!

## **C2** First, Catch Your Reader! Attracting and Retaining the Literary Attention of High School Students

*Dr. Margaret McKay*

Victorian cookbook writer Mrs. Beaton famously began her recipe for Rabbit Stew with the stirring phrase, “First, catch your rabbit.” Attracting the attention of high school students, in this era of ever-extending distractedness, is a complex project. This presentation will explore ways in which school libraries can reach out to students and engage them in an ongoing relationship with books, information, and social exchanges around reading. Both explicit and implicit approaches will be considered.

## **C3** A Countess In Limbo (book talk)

*Sue Carscallen*

Spanning two of the most turbulent times in modern history (World War I in Russia and World War II in Paris) Countess Hendrikoff’s journals demonstrate the uncertainty, horror and hope of daily life in the midst of turmoil. Her razor-sharp insight, wit and sense of humor create a fascinating eyewitness account of the Russian Revolution and occupation and liberation of Paris. The session will include a power point presentation containing rare pre-Russian Revolution documents and photos.

## **C4** Team Building—Lost At Sea

**Limit 30**

*Kathryn Hotte*

*Hotte Training*

You are adrift on a private yacht in the South Pacific. The yacht is now slowly sinking. You have minimal supplies. What do you do now? A great team building game that promotes group decision-making in a fun and interactive way!