

***Vermont Library Trustee Conference***  
***PUBLIC LIBRARY CHALLENGES IN A DIGITAL AGE***

*Annual statewide conference for Trustees and Librarians sponsored by the Vermont Library Trustees Association  
and the Vermont Department of Libraries*

**Saturday October 17, 2009**  
**9:30 am-3:00 pm (coffee and registration at 9:00)**  
**Vermont College of Fine Arts**  
**36 College Street, Montpelier, VT**

As libraries and their communities continue to experience rapid and constant change, what will your library look like in 20 years? How will your library respond to future service demands and what you can do today to meet those challenges? How can trustees guide their libraries' planning for the future? These and other issues will be discussed by our principal speaker, Stephen Spohn.

❖ **Welcome – State Librarian, Martha Reid**

With one year under her belt as Vermont State Librarian, Marty Reid will give us an update of activities at the Department of Libraries and her priorities for the coming year.

❖ **Re-Visioning the Library in Response to Trends**

Stephen Spohn (Senior Consultant for Planning and Assessment Services) for the New England Network (now Lyrasis) will explore key trends that are transforming the roles of libraries and librarians. Steve will discuss information overload, Millennials, mobility, social media, plagiarism, the economy, and nontraditional education. Attendees will be asked to share ideas and engage in lively discussion.

❖ **Vermont's 23 Things**

What is your 'social networking' IQ? Are you (or your library) using RSS feeds? Facebook? Flip cameras and You-tube? For the past 3 years, DOL Continuing Ed. Coordinator, Mara Siegel has mentored hundreds of librarians with this online introduction to the latest in tech communications. How has "Vermont 23 Things" helped library staff to use these emerging technologies that are changing the way people, libraries and society access information and communicate? Join Mara to learn about "Vermont's 23 Things."

❖ **Green Options for Public Libraries**

Planning to build or renovate your existing library? Architect Jay Ancel, architect with Black River Design of Montpelier, will discuss how libraries can create an environmentally efficient, socially responsible library that is both functional and affordable for their community.

❖ **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual VLTA Conference Raffle**

Join DOL consultant and rabid gamer Amy Howlett in a fast paced library quiz that rewards correct answers with "fabulous" prizes. Fame and fortune could be yours -- come to the Conference and join in the fun!

To register, return slip below with payment to: Michael Roche, Northeast Regional Library, 23 Tilton Road, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819 **by October 12<sup>th</sup>. Cost for the day includes morning coffee, muffins, and lunch. \$18 VLA/VLTA members and \$22 for non-members.** For more information, contact Michael Roche, Department of Libraries, 802-748-3428, [michael.roche@mail.dol.state.vt.us](mailto:michael.roche@mail.dol.state.vt.us)

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I (We) PLAN TO ATTEND "The Public Library in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Challenges in a Digital Age" on Saturday October 17, at Vermont College in Montpelier

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Library \_\_\_\_\_

VLA member(s)? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Special dietary needs? \_\_\_\_\_

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