Welcome to Social Media Snapshots!

Social Media Snapshots is our monthly round-up of all the best content from our social media channels, delivered right to your inbox.

We encourage you to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, and Instagram, but if you don’t, you can rely on Social Media Snapshots to keep you up to date on developments in technology and libraryland -- here in NJ & around the country -- as well as fun things like photos you can share with your staff and patrons.

Want to know more about how you can use social media to connect with your community? Hit reply and ask Sophie Brookover your question!

New Jersey Corner

Two NJ librarians were celebrated as a part of 2018’s class of Library Journal Movers & Shakers: Karen Parry and Jeanne Marie Ryan!

Emily Whitley, graduate student and daughter of a librarian, organized a fundraiser to buy noise-canceling headphones for the Camden County Library System.

A survey conducted by the New Jersey Association of School Librarians & the
New Jersey Library Association shows that school librarians play a unique and vital role in the lives of their students.

Later this month, the Somerset County Library System is hosting a job fair for teens and adults with developmental disabilities.

New Jersey is fighting for net neutrality, and Amol Sinha, executive director of the ACLU in NJ, warns: "when information is limited, the first to go are the dissenting voices."

Cataloged and ready for circulation, books in Hebrew are now part of the Closter Public Library collection.

Leadership Links

Freshta Karim, 25, has launched a mobile library in Kabul, Afghanistan. She says: "We create an opportunity from every crisis. We are changing our narratives in this country."

Sabrina Rodriguez (@LatinxReads) realized the genre of so-called “classic” literature was overwhelmingly white -- so she diversified it.
Amid the worsening opioid crisis, library workers across the country are learning to administer naloxone and considering the implications of doing so.

Here's a preliminary guide to making conferences more accessible. Fellow presenters & panelists, let's get cracking!

Filed under “things we need a U.S. version of”: the Danish Union of Libraries is uplifting public debate and “opinion formers” with an educational class.

Difficult conversations: you know they’ll have to happen sooner or later. How can we make them practical, productive, and compassionate?

![Left: The kinds of shelves we dream about. Right: A comic by Hannah Hillam about our real, actual lives as book hoarders.](image)

For the youth

Enjoy story time with your child as much as they do… even when you’ve read them each of the books on this list 10 times already.

Young adult readers need "a safe place... to explore their burgeoning understanding of darkness in the world," and that's why dystopian lit is here to stay.

Comics are most certainly “real reading,” and through representation, they can
help kids see themselves as heroes of their own stories.

Left: Newberry Library's sewn parchment "Franken-mend."
Right: A worthwhile reminder, whether it's Women's History Month or not.

**Literary Grab Bag**

New library craft alert: “fidget quilts” can help ease stress and confusion in people with Alzheimer's or dementia. (They're fun to make, too!)

Improve your [readers' advisory skills](#) with our upcoming free webinar, *Hardboiled Is Not Only An Egg: and Other Tips for Genre Readers' Advisory!*

Are you looking for love in the right places? [Jane Cowell](#) gives us three reasons why a library is the best place to go on a first date. 😻 😻

**Call for proposals**: Tell ALA how you "envision the future of library collections, services, spaces, technologies, or partnerships."

Make your bookshelf a better place with Barrie Olmstead's list of [intersectional feminist titles](#).

Kristen Arnett shares some [wise words about librarianship](#): it's, “the understanding that maintaining a library is a shared responsibility...Libraries are community spaces for patrons as well as for library staff.”
The Ripped Bodice, the only all-romance bookshop in the U.S., released a report on diversity in romance publishing.

To read and to follow: these adorable internet-famous animals each have their own children's books.

Social Media Snapshots is attempting to summon spring by wearing lots of florals. Forward it to a friend who's eating water ice daily regardless of the weather report.