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# PUBLIC LIBRARIES ONLINE WEEKLY

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## Trending

New on PL Online This Week

- Have you ever had a person in your library act so strangely, you could barely believe it? Or a person who said something so nice it left you smiling for the rest of the day? If you've ever found yourself wanting to share a weird, funny, or sweet story about your library with everyone you know, there's a Tumblr for that. [Learn more in Thousands Enjoy Public Library Stories.](#)



- What is trust? We aren't talking about trust in the way you trust your partner to tell the truth, or you trust a friend to follow through on promises. Lencioni calls it vulnerability-based trust. Be vulnerable in front of your management team. Tell them when you screw up, tell them when you struggle, and tell them when you're sorry. In general, be vulnerable. If everyone on the team does this you avoid a lot of issues. One, everyone is speaking freely which can lead to breakthroughs. Two, you get to the heart of issues much faster. Fear takes a back seat as you express your vulnerable side more often. [Read the entire article "It Takes More than a Trust Fall" here.](#)

want to get married in a library? Even if you have already been married you could still renew your vows there! The District of Columbia Council tentatively passed the 2016 Budget Support Act that allows the twenty-six branches of the D.C. Public Library the ability to charge for “private, revenue-generating activity.” These activities are not limited to weddings, but DCPL library director Richard Reyes-Gavilan needed this legislation in order to allow unrelated activities in their libraries. Reyes-Gavilan intends for all new or renovated libraries to generate revenue. [Read the entire article at Weddings and Other Special Events.](#)



- I’ve been a children’s librarian for almost seventeen years, but 2014 was the first time I participated in a book award committee. While the award might not be as well-known as the Newbery—publishers were not inclined to print our potential choices in paperback just because we were going to select them as nominees- our committee nevertheless had a daunting task. [Learn more at Observations from Serving on a Children's Book Award Committee.](#)

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## Midweek Media Mash-Up

### A Choice Selection of Links for Your Perusal

- [Using Hashtags to Optimum Effect Across Social Media Platforms](#)
- [Should high school students have to defend their diplomas, ala Ph.D programs?](#)
- [Conquering Digital Distraction](#)
- [Methods for Unlocking New Ideas](#)
- [Q & A with Susan Cain "The Power of Introverts](#)
- [The Power of Frost's "The Road Not Taken" on Its 100th Anniversary](#)

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## Snapshot

Bucking current trends, most of our respondents to last week's poll (69.2%) reported that they do take all of their vacation time. For the 30.4% who reported that they do not, here are [8 Reasons](#) why you should! This week we'd like to know more about you!

**Do you work in a library?**

Yes

No

**Do you work in a public library?**



## Indie and Self-Published E-Book Reviews -- From PLOnline

### Beautiful Sacrifice

(Maddox Series, Volume 3)

by **Jamie McGuire** Publisher: Amazon Digital; Create Space Independent Publishers

Paperback \$13.99; ISBN: 9781511847506

Kindle \$5.99; ASINB00WFGUQ4W

#### Review by Diane Srebro

Popular New Adult author, Jamie McGuire's third volume in the Taylor Maddox series, *Beautiful Sacrifice*, explores family secrets and estrangements; true love, relationships and forgiveness set in small

town Colorado.

Gorgeous and hunky, yet rough around the edges, forest service crew member, Taylor Maddox, walks into Dartmouth drop-out Falyn Fairchild's life at the Bucksaw Café. Maddox pursues the independent, combative and guarded waitress. Falyn is eking out a living after she dodged parental expectations to head for medical school. Conservative political oriented physicians, William and Blaine Fairchild, hold their only daughter, Falyn to severe, almost unattainable standards. McGuire sets main character, Falyn, in a ratty apartment above a hippie-owned diner furnished with gritty cast offs. Her protagonist takes a short commute to work each day, stashing tips in a box filled with letters, pictures, and vague plans to travel toward a distant place.

Plotting perks up as Falyn discovers a common bond with the vagrant fire fighter. His Illinois hometown, Eakin, happens to be the precise location of Falyn's dream. She decides to take a chance on getting to know the notable womanizer for a twofold motive. But Falyn does not plan on falling for the smoky cowpoke. In Eakin, the Maddox brothers and their extended clan deal with their own troubles as Taylor and Falyn add new elements to the family's dynamic.

McGuire's new adult, love-addled novelette will probably appeal to addicts of reality television or fans of Harlequin styled romances. The book contains somewhat implausible adult themes, inappropriate language, and fairly graphic descriptions of sex. [See more Indie and Self-Published ebook reviews here.](#)

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