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A Note from the Agency Director

We hope that you are enjoying our newly formatted newsletter and weekly email alert! Our goal is to communicate regularly with you in a manner that works best for the way that you consume information. Libraries are vibrant, transforming places; the redesign was driven by our desire to consistently meet the needs of our users by maximizing technological advances for broader access across multiple types of devices. Basically, we want to stay current and make it easy for you.

At the South Carolina State Library (SCSL) we pride ourselves on evaluation and analysis of information; we are naturally curious as a group. We regularly review our resources to ensure that we are providing the best solution to our users. As we prepared and planned for the coming financial year, we scrutinized the products and programs that we were providing and decided to make a few changes.

We decided to eliminate four resources because the usage of those resources had decreased significantly, the return on

investment being made could not be supported, or the program was at the end of its intended life cycle. However, we also decided to purchase an enhanced version of Tumblebooks, one of our existing SCSL products.

We are particularly excited about this enhanced version of Tumblebooks and the changes to the access structure that it will bring. The access structure change will be particularly helpful for teachers and families who homeschool. The enhanced version of Tumblebooks is considered the premium version which includes: over 1,100 titles; resources for K-6; lesson plans for teachers; animated talking picture books; chapter books; National Geographic videos; both fiction and non-fiction materials; graphic novels; books in English, French, and Spanish; and many other resources.

I have written before about the importance of funding for libraries and library programs. It is never easy to decide that a product must be reduced or eliminated, but ultimately we must make those decisions so that we may provide the broadest possible access to resources that will positively impact the lives of our users. We have confidence that you will enjoy the new version of Tumblebooks along with the other technological advances we have made. Thank you for your ongoing support of libraries!



All the best,

Leesa Aiken
SCSL Agency Director

SC Libraries

Immunize SC Week (August 14-21): The South Carolina Immunization Coalition is calling on support from all libraries across the state to help promote Immunize SC Week-August 14-21, 2017-by placing immunization posters in their libraries. Printed posters will be distributed

to public libraries through the South Carolina State Library. For more information, [visit our website](#).

Digitization: Horry Georgetown Technical College Library is pleased to announce the digitization of the student yearbooks from the Archives Collection at the main campus in Conway, South Carolina. In honor of the College's 50th anniversary, these yearbooks were scanned and are now available in a searchable database within the South Carolina Digital Library. The collection illustrates the growth and progress of the college over the last half century. For more information, [visit our website](#).

Augusta Genealogical Society: The Augusta Genealogical Society will present professional genealogist J. Mark Lowe on Saturday, September 9, as the AGS celebrates the 38th anniversary of the founding of the Society. The seminar will include four lectures by Lowe, who describes himself as a full-time professional author and lecturer specializing in original records and manuscripts. For lecture details and to register, [visit our website](#).

State Employees

Summer Food Service Program Tour: The South Carolina Department of Education and End Child Hunger SC are partnering for the Second Annual Summer Food Service Program Tour. The tour will begin Monday, July 10th and conclude on Friday, July 14th. The purpose of this tour is to raise awareness about the Summer Food Service Program and cultivate local community advocates for the program that provides up to 2 free meals a day to youths and teens ages 18 and younger. For more information, visit the [Summer Food Service Program website](#).

New SC State Government Documents: [The South Carolina Digital State Documents Depository](#) provides access to publications produced by state agencies and state-supported academic institutions. This month we highlight The General Assembly of South Carolina 122nd Session [List of Members](#). This publication lists each member of the state House and Senate, with contact information and addresses for each member, and includes alphabetical list of counties comprising House and Senate Districts.

SC Residents

Safely Observe the Solar Eclipse in August: The SC State Library is pleased to promote safe viewing practices for the 2017 Total Solar Eclipse by providing free solar glasses to SC residents! [For more information, visit our website](#) .

SC Center for the Book: Join us in August for our next author talk and book signing: Champions of Civil and Human Rights in South Carolina, the first volume in a five-volume anthology. Author Marvin Lare introduces more than one hundred civil rights leaders from South Carolina to chronicle a massive revolution in American society. [To register, visit our calendar](#).

Tech Tuesday - Home Computer Security: "Tech Tuesdays" is a free learning session held at the State Library's newly designed Learning Lab and is open to the general public. This introductory class will teach you how to protect your home computer and yourself when using the Internet. [To register for the class, visit our calendar](#).

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Just what does a Seed Beetle look like? Are you curious about False Blister Beetles? Are you fascinated by Jewel Beetles? What do you want to know about the larvae of Mayfly? A wealth of information on the subject of coleopterology (the scientific study of beetles) and other topics relating to the biodiversity of South Carolina can be found in the *Biota of South Carolina*, a series of nine volumes issued by Clemson University Public Service Publishing. Books from this series reflect the expertise of the authors and editors, and are also examples of the unique types of publications regularly received by the South Carolina State Library.

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Library receives materials, in print or electronic format, published by state agencies, departments, and state-supported colleges and universities which are intended for public distribution. The State Library also supplies these materials to the eleven other state depository libraries, and to the Library of Congress.

So if you're looking into identifying the dorsal surface of a leaf beetle, interested in a plan put out by the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism in 2008, or want to view *PowerSource*, a quarterly magazine issued by Santee Cooper, visit the library or take a look in our [SLENDS](#) catalog. State Library card holders may check out available items, and searchers will also be directed to digital items or significant web resources.

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