

UMD LIBRARY CONNECTION

Join Us May 15-16 for the 22nd Annual

Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards

The 22nd annual Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards (NEMBA), featuring renowned food writer Beatrice Ojakangas, will be presented May 15-16, 2010, at the University of Minnesota Duluth. Each year, NEMBA recognizes books that best represent northeastern Minnesota in the areas of history, culture, heritage, or lifestyle.

The festivities will include a writing workshop from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, in the UMD Library fourth floor rotunda reading room (see below), and a program and awards presentation from 1:30 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 16, in the Kirby Ballroom at UMD.



Beatrice Ojakangas

Sunday's celebration offers a book fair, nominated author readings, and refreshments beginning at 1:30 p.m. Barton Sutter, Duluth's first poet laureate, will emcee the formal program, which begins at 3:30 p.m., with Beatrice Ojakangas giving the NEMBA address.

Culminating the weekend will be the presentation of awards in five categories: (1) fiction, (2) poetry, (3) memoir/creative nonfiction, (4) general nonfiction, and (5) children's literature. Thirty-four books published in 2009 have been nominated. The winner in each category will receive a cash prize of \$300, and the winning author and honorable mention in each category will receive a glass plaque.

All of Sunday's events are free and open to the public. NEMBA is sponsored by the UMD Library with support from Friends of the Duluth Public Library and Lake Superior Writers. For more information, call 218-726-7889 or visit the NEMBA home page at <http://www.d.umn.edu/lib/nemba/>.

LSW WRITING WORKSHOP WITH BEA

Lake Superior Writers, one of the most active literary organizations in northeastern Minnesota, will host a NEMBA writing workshop titled "How to Write a Cookbook." Bea Ojakangas, also known as "The Scandinavian Chef," has published 27 books. She will share how to write a recipe, design a cookbook, and write a book proposal.

This Lake Superior Writers writing workshop, from 2-4 p.m. in the UMD Library Rotunda (4th floor), will accommodate up to twelve participants. The workshop fee is \$35 for LSW members and \$40 for nonmembers. To reserve your spot, e-mail cbrown@d.umn.edu, and send your check to the LSW office, 1301 Rice Lake Road, Suite 132, Duluth, MN 55811.

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Northeastern Minnesota Book Award Nominee List

The 22nd annual Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards (NEMBA) will be presented at a public celebration May 16, 2010, at the University of Minnesota Duluth. The following nominees are vying for awards:

FICTION

Big Noise: A Jo Spence Mystery, Jen Wright, [Clover Valley Press](#)

Heading North, [Joseph Van Nurden](#), [North Star Press of St. Cloud](#)

Ice Shack, [David J. Heath](#), [Majestic Pine Publishing](#)

Manitou Murder, C. C. Canby, j-press Publishing

Minnesota Cold, [Cynthia Kraack](#), [North Star Press of St. Cloud](#)

Secrets, [David P. Holmes](#), [North Star Press of St. Cloud](#)

POETRY

Before You Know It: Prose Poems 1970 -2005, Louis Jenkins, Will o' the Wisp Books

Between, [Morgan Grayce Willow](#), [Nodin Press](#)

The Dark Honey: New & Used Poems, Ellie Schoenfeld, [Clover Valley Press](#)

Driving Gravel Roads: 50 Prose Poems, Jim Johnson, [Red Dragonfly Press](#)

The Gravity of Flesh, Jill Breckenridge, [Nodin Press](#)

Looking North: Images of Life in Northern Minnesota, C. P. Stone, [Shadow IRIS Books](#)



MEMOIR AND CREATIVE NONFICTION

Chaos and Grit: Barbless Bits & Little Chits, Phyllis Burgess, [Singing River Publications](#)

Knife Island: Circling a Year in a Herring Skiff, Stephen Dahl, [Nodin Press](#)

NEMBA Nominee List Continued

NONFICTION

61 Gems on Highway 61, Kathryn Mayo and William Mayo, [Adventure Publications](#)

Insects of the North Woods, Jeffrey Hahn, [Kollath-Stensaas Publishing](#)

Intriguing Owls: Exceptional Images and Insight, Stan Tekiela, [Adventure Publications](#)

Minong – The Good Place: Ojibwe and Isle Royale, Timothy Cochrane, [Michigan State University Press](#)

Moths & Caterpillars of the North Woods, Jim Sogaard, [Kollath-Stensaas Publishing](#)

Mr. Environment: The Willard Munger Story, Mark Munger, Cloquet River Press

Native Artists: Livelihoods, Resources, Spaces, Gifts, [Marcie Rendon](#) and [Ann Markusen](#), [Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs](#)

Wildflowers of the Boundary Waters: Hiking through the Seasons, Betty Vos Hemstad, [Minnesota Historical Society Press](#)

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

Beaver, Bear, Snowshoe Hare: North Woods Mammal Poems, Cheryl Dannenbring, illustrated by Anna Hess, [Raven Productions, Inc.](#)

Boo Boo Bear's Mission, Mary Linda Sather, illustrated by children from military and civilian families, [Beaver's Pond Press](#)

The Christmas Spider, Catherine Kopari, self-published

Harry's Heavy Suitcase, Marcia Homer & Flossie Strickland, illustrated by [Nancy Scheibe](#), [Singing River Publications, Inc.](#)

Henrietta Stays Out All Night!, Tom Broadbent, illustrated by Lisa Kosmo, self-published

Isabelle and Grandma Birdie, written and illustrated by Stephanie Stevens, Stephanie's Garden Press

Manoomin: A Wild Rice Adventure, written and illustrated by [Joshua M. Whitebird](#), IGI Publishing

Moose on the Loose, Kathy-jo Wargin, illustrated by John Bendall-Brunello, [Sleeping Bear Press](#)

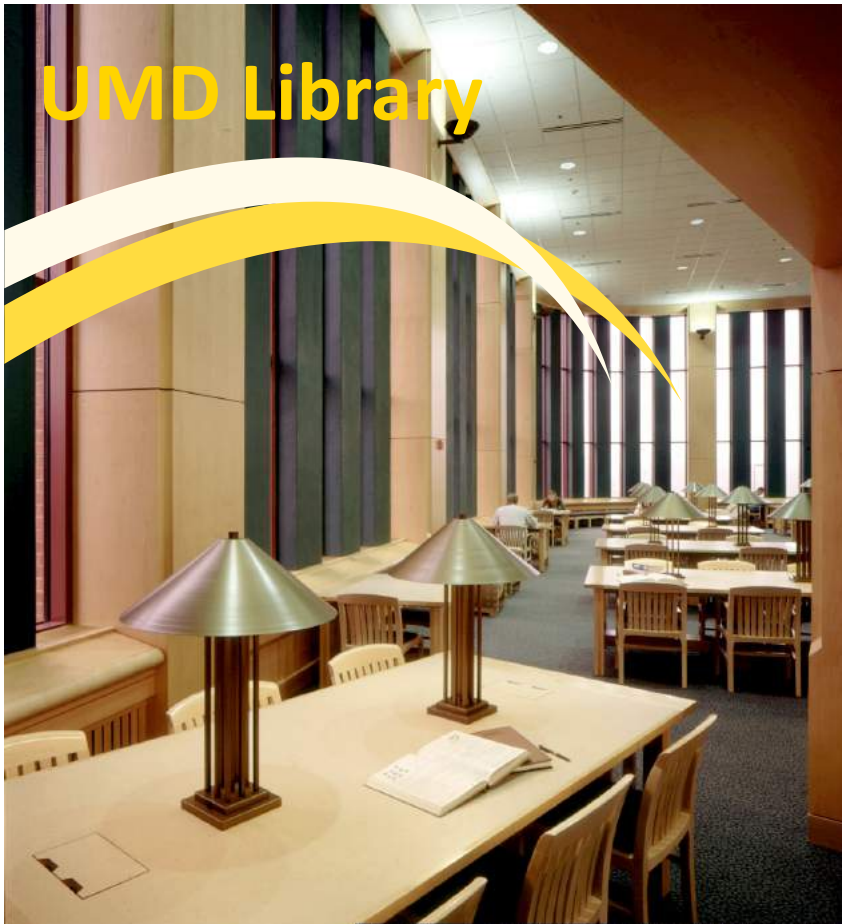
The Phantom of the North Shore: A Doc & Tweed History Mystery, John Koblas, [North Star Press of St. Cloud](#)

Pow Wow: niimiwin everyone dance, Leah Savage, photography by Nikki Willgohs and Jill Pertler, [Fond du Lac Ojibwe Head Start](#)

The Secret History of Lake Amikota, Jody G. Russell, [North Star Press of St. Cloud](#)

Wintering, [William Durbin](#), [Raven Productions](#)

UMD Library



Technology

- Wireless access throughout the library
- Three hundred networked computers on four floors
- Multimedia Hub housed in library - partnered with ITSS
- Adaptive technology provided - partners: ITSS & Disability Resources
- Instructional computer labs include both MAC and PC computers

Programs

- LibGuides for research & coursework support
- Writers Workshop housed in library - partnered with Writing Studies
- Campus-wide support for RefWorks (bibliographic management tool)
- Ask MN, a 24/7 statewide IM reference service - charter member
- Upcoming program: digitizing of local resources
- Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards (NEMBA): host for 22 years
- Community-wide programming: most recently the ALA Traveling Exhibition - Lewis & Clark and the Indian Country

Notable Collections

- Northeast Minnesota Historical Center
- Ramseyer-Northern Bible Society Collection
- Voyageur Collection

The UMD Library's mission is to promote learning and research by providing information resources and services, up-to-date technologies, and knowledgeable staff in a welcoming environment.

By the Numbers

Fiscal 2009

Total Library Budget \$3,460,000

Acquisitions Budget \$1,654,728

Collections

Volumes	550,144
Audiovisual items	18,724
Microforms	808,769
E-books	206,627
E-serial subscriptions	53,674
Print serial subscriptions	568

Public Services

User visits	711,834
Virtual visits to library web site	742,499
Items circulated	83,011
Group study room usage	24,125
Hours open per week	99.5

Reference & Instructional Services

In-person reference desk questions	13,105
Instant messaging (IM) reference questions	3,113
Bibliographic class sessions taught	350

Technology

Public computers	296
Printers	9

Staff

Library Director	Bill Sozansky
Assistant Library Director	Liz Benson Johnson
Professionals	18.75 FTE
Support staff	13.5 FTE
Student staff	8 FTE

Facility

4 floors in the main building and 2 floors in the annex	
Adaptive technology study rooms	3
Group study rooms	25
Total seating	1,361

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Techfest Visitors Pledge Support for Google Fiber Project

Techfest, now held every other year at UMD, had over nine hundred attendees on Friday, March 26. The UMD Library hosted a table showcasing changes to its Web site, including the new multi-search box, online booking of group study rooms, a new text messaging phone number (218-461-9008), and Libguides, among other things.

But the crowd-pleaser and what got the attention of the evening TV news cameras was the Google Fiber pledge station hosted by the library. Google has announced its intention to build a trial fiber optic network with speeds over 1 gigabit per second (from 100 to 1,000 times faster than what we have today) in a chosen city or cities.

Approximately eighty cities are in the running. The three leading cities are Duluth, Grand Rapids, and Topeka, and they are all going to great lengths to get Google's attention. You can view a Duluth Google pitch on YouTube at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5KsvScO_gTM. The Duluth Google movie directed by Ken Kemp of Hollywood is due out soon.

A steady stream of visitors came to the "Google Fiber Booth" at Techfest. Many people had heard of the initiative but wanted more information. A frequent question was, "When will Google announce a winner?" Google isn't really saying – except "sometime in 2010."

Why do we need one-gigabit-per-second connections? According to Google, "ultra high-speed bandwidth will drive more innovations – in high-definition video, remote data storage, real-time multimedia collaboration, and others that we cannot yet imagine."

LIBRARY FILM WINS BEST OVERALL FROZEN YETI AWARD

This year, the UMD Library student video contest became part of the Frozen Yeti Film Festival, sponsored by Kirby Program Board. The Frozen Yeti is an annual film-making competition organized and judged by UMD students. Last fall, the library proposed that its video contest become an official category in the Yeti, as a way of enhancing publicity and giving ownership of the contest to students.

Three videos were submitted in the "Library" category of the contest, and one of them won the prize for best overall video in the event. Titled "Library Security," this short film by Spencer Johnson and Tyler Denison was a send-up of the television program *Cops*. The contest entry followed the relatively mundane adventures of a UMD Library security student worker. Spencer and Tyler are both employed in the Multimedia Hub, located on the first floor of the library, and Tyler is also a lead circulation desk assistant.

The runner-up in the library category was a 30-second advertisement informing viewers about interlibrary loan services. This video was created by library student employees Jud Dudgeon, Sarah Rosten, and Joe Tuura.

The third entry in the library category was "No One Likes College Writing," directed by Breanna Lees. This artistically produced video told the story of a conflict over a book, ending in implied violence. Fortunately, it was not a documentary. To view the contest winners, go to <http://www.d.umn.edu/lib/videocontest/studentvideos.htm>.



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Ely (MN) Library Director Remembers Student Employment at UMD

Since UMD doesn't offer a program in library science, one wouldn't expect many UMD students to go on to become librarians, but some do.

Rachel Heinrich worked at the UMD Library as a student employee from the fall of 1989 through the fall of 1993. She started in the Reserves department in the health science section of the old library and later worked in the Reserves/Multimedia area near the main circulation desk. Her duties included shelving the very heavy medical journals (which all looked the same to her), lots of computer processing of Reserve materials, two summers of barcoding, calling students about overdue Reserve materials, and monitoring the multimedia stations.



A student employee works at the third-floor Help Desk.

After earning her undergraduate degree at UMD, she received her Master's of Library and Information Science at the University of Iowa. Her first professional job was as the children's librarian at Buckham Memorial Library in Faribault, Minnesota. From there she progressed to her current position as Library Director at Ely Public Library.

Rachel doesn't think that working at the UMD Library was the source of her desire to become a librarian. She had already worked in a public library in her hometown and also worked part time at the Duluth Public

"I don't think many of the staff knew that I planned to continue on and get a library degree, but those who did were very helpful with giving time and little tips that I've often used since then." – Rachel Heinrich

Library while attending UMD, plus her older sister was a librarian, so the idea of a career in the field didn't necessarily come from working here.

However, trying out working in an academic setting did help her to decide that public libraries would be her chosen work setting.

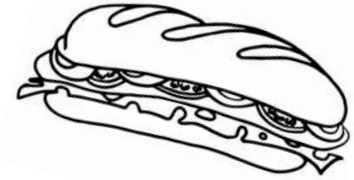
"In a public library," she said, "you have more long-term contacts with a wide range of patron ages and get to know the individual needs better."

She does remember UMD Library as a very positive place to work, though. "My supervisors were great about finding different tasks so I wasn't doing the same things over and over. Although the summers of barcoding were some long, hot days [the old library wasn't air conditioned], I found it enjoyable to work one-to-one with permanent staff at the library and get to know them as individuals."

Rachel's advice to students who might be aspiring to embark on an information and library sciences career is to "try out lots of different areas of the library to help decide which part you like best – the detail work of cataloging, the treasure hunt challenge of reference work, etc." She said that a smaller library lets you do a greater variety of things while a larger library lets you specialize.

STUDENT EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION

It's no secret that student employees are incredibly important to the operations and services provided by the library, and during National Student Employment Week, April 11-16, we take time to recognize their contributions.



This year, students were treated to the popular "sandwich day" mid-week – each student employee was invited to choose a sub sandwich for lunch.

On Friday, the annual library staff spring barbecue was combined with the celebration of National Student Employment Week. After the library closed at 5 p.m., students enjoyed an after-hours party, featuring the barbecue, socializing, and game playing in the fourth floor rotunda reading room. All week long, a display at the library entrance showcased examples of student employee accomplishments along with messages of appreciation from supervisors.

When you visit the library, be sure to thank the students who make your library a welcoming place in which to learn and study.

Congratulations to Sarah Rosten, student interlibrary loan assistant, for her acceptance into the Master's of Library and Information Sciences program at Syracuse University.

STAFF NEWS

In February, Reference Librarian **Rory Litwin** gave the keynote lecture at the Forum for Information Professionals at the University of Alberta School of Library and Information Studies in Edmonton, Alberta. His lecture was titled "Disintermediation 2.0: Librarians and Systems."

The current issue of *Progressive Librarian* published Reference Librarian **Rory Litwin's** article "The Library Paraprofessional Movement and the Deprofessionalization of Librarianship."

Computer Systems Specialist **Doreen Hansen** and Reference Librarian **Jodi Carlson** attended the 2010 Midwest Library Technology Conference March 17-18, 2010, in St. Paul. Highlights included information about mobile technology, content management systems, instant messaging, and social networking as they relate to libraries.

New myLibrary Tab on myU Page

Next time you log into myU, or myUMD as we like to call it, check out the changes we've made to the myLibrary tab. Quickly search for books, videos, or articles without going to the library. See a list of the books you've checked out, the materials you've placed on hold, and your future bookings. Watch for alerts about fines, overdues, or materials waiting for pickup.

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Spring Finals Week

May 8 - 14, 2010

Saturday, May 8	9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 9	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.
Monday-Thursday, May 10-13	7:30 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.
Friday, May 14	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Summer Hours

May 15-July 30

Monday-Thursday	7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Noon-5:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday, May 15-16 (NEMBA)	CLOSED
Sunday-Monday, July 4-5	CLOSED

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