
The Central Library Bulletin

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Welcome to the Inaugural Issue!

Welcome to the first issue of the Central Library's newsletter, created to keep member libraries informed about the services provided by staff at Adriance Memorial Library, the Central Library for the Mid-Hudson Library System. The newsletter includes tips for answering reference questions, lists of titles purchased by the Central Library, and information about in-library staff training. Please send your questions, comments and story ideas to Sue Hermans, Central Library Services Coordinator (shermans@poklib.org).



Question of the Month

I work for the Taconic Developmental Disabilities Services Office. How can I find the number of handicapped people living in my county?

Useful Tool: US Census 2000
www.census.gov

The detailed tables needed to answer this question are found in American Fact Finder. Choose "Data Sets" from the menu at left. Summary File 3 presents detailed population and housing data (such as place of birth, education, employment status, income, value of housing unit, year structure built) collected from a 1-in-6 sample and weighted to represent the total population. To answer the question above, select Detailed Tables, Geographic Type: County, select New York and then your county; click "Add," and then "Next." Choose the "Keyword" tab, and then enter "disability" to find all disability related tables. Print charts, or e-mail results to your patron.

FAQs at the Reference Desk

How can I get free money?

A book called [Foundation Grants to Individuals](#) is available for loan at several

libraries in the region. The book lists grants given directly to individuals. However, foundations rarely give grants directly to individuals. Private foundations usually fund nonprofit organizations, which in turn help individuals seeking services and programs. (*Joy Matusiewicz, Foundation Center Librarian*)

Training tips: Helping Grant Seekers

Do I qualify for government benefits?

Go to www.govbenefits.gov for a brief, confidential questionnaire to find out if you are eligible for federal or state benefits.

Do I qualify for government loans?

Go to www.govloans.gov to browse available loans, or fill out a brief questionnaire to see if you are eligible for a loan. Loan programs are available for agriculture, business, disaster relief, education, housing and veterans.

Website Reviews: Grants at www.usa.gov

Under Government Information by Topic, click on Benefits and Grants. Browse list for grant topics of interest.

Pathfinders: Grant Information

<http://www.poklib.org/reference/foundation.htm>

Recent Central Library Acquisitions

These are recent titles added to the collection at Adriance Memorial Library. Click on the link for a search in the OPAC.



Non-Fiction

[Generation debt: why now is a terrible time to be young.](#) Anya Kamenetz. Riverhead Books, 2006.

[If at first you don't succeed: the eight patterns of highly effective entrepreneurs.](#) Brent Bowers. Currency/Doubleday, 2006.

[Give it up!: my year of learning to live better with less.](#) Mary Carlomagno. W. Morrow, 2006.

[Live like you're blessed: simple steps for making balance, love, energy, spirit, success, encouragement and devotion part of your life.](#) Suzan Johnson Cook. Doubleday, 2006.

[Living with less: the upside of downsizing your life.](#) Mark Tabb. Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2006.

[Full-time woman, part-time career: launching a flexible business that fits your life, feeds your family and fuels your brain.](#) Karen Steede Terry. CMS Press, 2006.

[Dying was the best thing that ever happened to me: stories of healing and wisdom along life's journey.](#) William E. Hablitzel. Sunshine Ridge Pub., 2006.

[Unspeak: how words become weapons, how weapons become a message, and how that message becomes reality.](#) Steven Poole. Grove Press, 2006.

[Adolescents on the autism spectrum: a parent's guide to the cognitive, social, physical and transition needs of teenagers with autism spectrum disorders.](#) Chantal Sicile-Kira. A Perigee Book, 2006.

[The first human: the race to discover our earliest ancestor.](#) Ann Gibbons. Doubleday, 2006.



Professional

[Reading raps: a book club guide for librarians, kids, and families.](#) Rita Soltan. Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

[Genreflecting: a guide to popular reading interests. \(6th ed.\)](#) Diana Tixier Herald. Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

[Accessing the classics: great reads for adults, teens, and English language learners.](#) La Vergne Rosow. Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

[The real story: a guide to nonfiction reading interests.](#) Sarah Statz Cords. Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

[Read on--historical fiction: reading lists for every taste.](#) Brad Hooper. Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

[Humor in young adult literature: a time to laugh.](#) Walter Hogan. Scarecrow Press, 2005.

[American Indian themes in young adult literature.](#) Paulette F. Molin. Scarecrow Press, 2005.



Reference

[Encyclopedia of American gospel music.](#) W.K. McNeil, editor. Routledge, 2005.

[Land navigation handbook: the Sierra Club guide to map, compass & GPS.](#) W.S. Kals. Sierra Club Books, 2005.

[The encyclopedia of men's reproductive cancer.](#) Carol Turkington. Facts On File, 2005.

[Puritans and Puritanism in Europe and America: a comprehensive encyclopedia.](#) Francis J. Bremer, Tom Webster, editors. ABC-CLIO, 2006.

[Broadway musicals, 1943-2004.](#) John Stewart. McFarland, 2006.

[Encyclopedia of heart diseases.](#) M. Gabriel Khan. Elsevier Academic, 2006.

[World War I: student encyclopedia](#). Spencer C. Tucker, editor. ABC-CLIO, 2006.

[The encyclopedia of addictions and addictive behaviors](#). Esther Gwinnell, Christine Adamec. Facts On File, 2006.

[Encyclopedia of the developing world](#). Thomas M. Leonard, editor. Routledge, 2006.

[The natural pharmacy: complete A-Z reference to natural treatments for common health conditions](#). Alan R. Gaby, editor. Three Rivers Press, 2006.

[Encyclopedia of African American history, 1619-1895: from the Colonial period to the age of Frederick Douglass](#). Paul Finkelman, editor in chief. Oxford University Press, 2006.

[The encyclopedia of the Harlem literary renaissance](#). Lois Brown. Facts On File, c2006.

[Medieval science, technology, and medicine: an encyclopedia](#). Thomas F. Glick, Steven J. Livesey, Faith Wallis, editors. Routledge, 2005.

[Encyclopedia of African American society](#). Gerald D. Jaynes, editor. Sage Publications, 2005.

Training Spotlight: OPAC

Is your staff experienced in the use of Millennium, but not as confident when using the online public access catalog? If so, then schedule OPAC training for the tips and tricks of successful searching on the public side of the system, along with strategies to make the system work for you. Contact Sue Hermans (shermans@poklib.org) to schedule training for your staff in your library.

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