

THE iCONN TIMES

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Budget News

In September, the State Library received a 5% rescission to the line item called State-Wide Digital Library in the amount of \$93,274, which includes funding for both iCONN and the union catalog/ILL system. The State Library is currently considering several options to deal with the reduction in funding.



iCONN is a service of the Connecticut State Library's Division of Library Development.

New Statewide Library Catalog Coming Soon...



findIT CT will be Connecticut's new statewide library catalog. The new catalog is under development and we anticipate rolling it out in the 4th quarter of 2015.

We have been working on setting up and installing the servers, so that work is proceeding steadily. We are waiting for one more piece of equipment, which should arrive soon. Once that's in place and installed, we can commence installing the software, configuring the system, and building the catalog.

The new servers and equipment that will run the catalog are located at Digital Back Office (DBO) in Wilton, CT. DBO's data centers are directly connected to the Connecticut Education Network (CEN), so the new system will be taking full advantage of CEN lines.

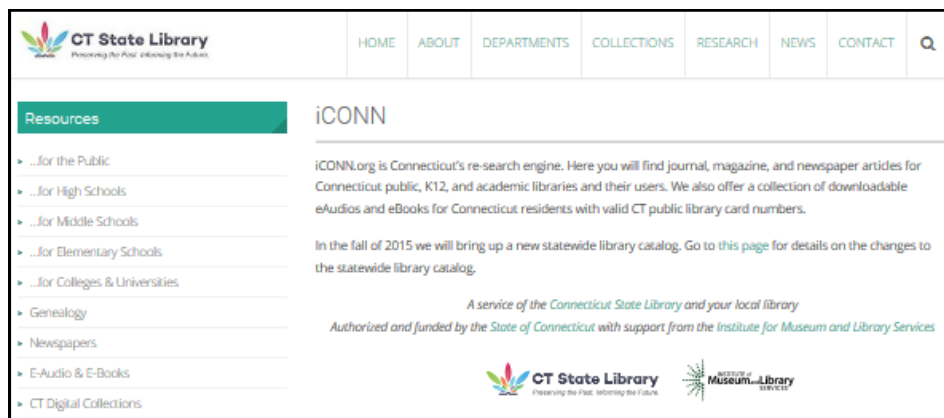
Almost all of the hardware has arrived.

requestIT CT will be the new Interlibrary Loan module of the findIT catalog. requestIT will be phased in after the findIT catalog.



New iCONN Web Site

iCONN.org has migrated to a new Word Press Web site with a new clean look...Check it out! The new site maintains the old URL and top-level page names, so bookmarks to the site and top level pages will continue to work as before.



Vacancies on the Connecticut Digital Library Board

The CT State Library is seeking applications to fill six (6) positions on the Connecticut Digital Library Advisory Board (CDLAB).

The terms will begin on January 1, 2016. The first meeting will be held on February 3, 2016.

The positions that need to be filled are the following:

- Academic Librarian (2)
- Public Librarian (1)
- School Librarian (1)
- Parent of a student in a CT K-12 school (1)
- Representative from the business community, or a library user (1)

Information about the CDLAB as well as the application can be found by going to:

<http://bit.ly/1kgQu2>

All applications are due on November 6, 2015 and can be emailed or faxed to:

Gail.Hurley@ct.gov or
Fax 860-704-2228

The *iCONN Times* is a quarterly update on iCONN.org—Connecticut's **re**-search engine.

Find it at: <http://bit.ly/qLlmwu>.

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Task Force to Replace Database Selection Committee

At its October 14 meeting the Connecticut Digital Library Advisory Board (CDLAB) approved replacement of the iCONN Database Selection Committee with an eResource Task Force. The Task Force will advise the State Library in its efforts to build and maintain a collection of electronic resources and services that meet the assessed needs of Connecticut residents. Membership on the Task Force will be open to representatives of academic, public, school, and special libraries who understand the need for statewide library services and who are committed to the objective assessment of statewide electronic information and service needs of a broad range of users. Current members of the iCONN Database Selection Committee have the opportunity to transfer their service from the Committee to the new Task Force.

iCONN at CASL-CECA 2015 Joint Conference

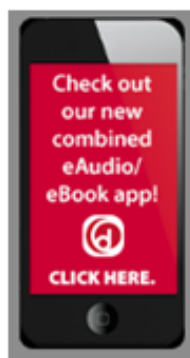


Eric Hansen staffed a Connecticut State Library/iCONN booth at the 2015 combined CECA CASL conference on October 26 at the Mohegan Sun Conference Center. A steady stream of interested school media specialists and others brought booth attendance to nearly 90. Eric also presented a discussion in the afternoon called "The State-wide eBook Platform: Tools for 21st Century Research" that was

attended by about 30. The presentation included iCONN databases as tools for Common Core based research, an update on and live demonstration of the OneClickdigital downloadable eAudio and eBook platform, and an update on eGO, the State Library's future E-Book platform and digital content portal. Eric also demonstrated the New York Public Library's Library Simplified E-Book app and its use on an iPad, to be adopted in some form by the State Library in the future.



New OneClickdigital eReader Combined App



We wanted to remind you that the previous OneClickdigital eReader app will stop working November 2, 2015. If you have been using the original OneClickdigital eReader app for eBooks-only, you will need to install and use the new OneClickdigital combined app. If you have used the OneClickdigital app for eAudio, you should have already received an update for the new, combined app. This new app will let you access checked-out content, search your library's entire OneClickdigital collection, and check out titles, place holds, download, listen and read all from one place.

For a brief video on how to use the new combined OneClickdigital app, go to: <https://vimeo.com/134971098>

Are You Being Prompted for a Barcode Login?

Just a reminder that if you are being prompted for a barcode login when trying to access the iCONN databases, it may be the case that your IP addresses for the computers in your library may have changed. This especially tends to happen in the summer with schools. If you find this happening, please contact Eric Hansen with your range of IP addresses and he will update the EBSCO and ProQuest profiles with this information. Eric can be reached at Eric.A.Hansen@ct.gov or 860-704-2224 or toll free in CT 888-256-1222.