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To: NLLS Libraries, NLLS Board, Staff-NLLS, Library Board Chairs

Hello Board members, Library staff, and friends of Northern Lights Library System.

The big take away this week is your last opportunity to register for our coming conference on May 27th.

[Registration](#) for our conference closes May 16th. Do not delay.

BOARD

- The Public Library Services Branch is offering a number of board development webinars/training sessions. Webinars start as early as May 3rd and run through June 16th. See [details here](#).

OPERATIONS

- We are transitioning from Winter to Summer landscaping at HQ, the swale improvements from years previous has made a difference and we did not flood like we have in previous years. The far NE corner was the first time in 4 years with not flooding!
- Sold the Jeep, which brings us down to 4 vehicles, transitioning our site visits to a pay per mileage model.
- First Quarter Financials are in and we are pretty close to where we thought, we will continue to watch fuel and utility costs.
- Libraries received the proposed new van run model, moving to 2 vehicles from 3. Further discussion at LMC.

LIBRARIES

- I enjoyed visits with the library board for the town of Mannville this week. I also had a great visit with the staff at the Edmonton Garrison and with the new library manager, Nicole, at Tofield municipal library.
- Inspired by Mannville, NLLS is about to have an upgrade to its Nintendo Switch kit. [Check it out](#). Should be a great addition to library game nights.

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Zones

Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Athabasca County	City of Cold Lake	Beaver County	County of Minburn County of Vermilion River
S.V. of Bondiss	County of St. Paul	Lamont County	M.D. of Wainwright
S.V. of Sunset Beach	County of Two Hills	Sturgeon County	Town of Vegreville
S.V. of Island Lake	Fishing Lake	Town of Bon Accord	Town of Vermilion
S.V. of Island Lake South	Frog Lake	Town of Bruderheim	Town of Wainwright
S.V. of Mewatha Beach	Lac La Biche County	Town of Gibbons	Village of Chauvin
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S.V. of Whispering Hills	S.V. of Pelican Narrows	Town of Morinville	Village of Innisfree
Smoky Lake County	Town of Bonnyville	Town of Mundare	Village of Irma
Thorhild County	Town of Elk Point	Town of Redwater	Village of Kitscoty
Town of Athabasca	Town of St. Paul	Town of Tofield	Village of Mannville
Town of Smoky Lake	Town of Two Hills	Town of Viking	Village of Marwayne
Village of Boyle	Village of Myrnam	Village of Andrew	Village of Paradise Valley
Village of Vilna		Village of Holden	
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If you have questions, concerns, compliments please direct them to the Executive Board representative for your zone.

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