



# VLA News - November 2013

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## Back Issues

Did you miss previous issues of the new VLA News? Don't despair! You can read them on the VLA Website!

[VLA News Back Issues](#)

## Substitute Pool

Employers: 44  
Substitutes: 63

Availability in Pool by County:

Addison: 15  
Bennington: 8  
Caladonia: 6

## President's Letter

All organizations change in time. Some faster than others. Over the past few months the Vermont Library Association (VLA) had two changes in our leadership. Vice-President/President-Elect Liza Comiskey resigned to focus on her work and family. In her place I have appointed Scott Murphy, Director of the Milton Public Library. Scott may be new to Vermont, but he brings a wealth of energetic experience in strategic planning and leadership development. Over the coming months, we will be drafting the VLA 2013-2017 strategic plan and setting the course for the organization with renewed focus on outreach and advocacy.

The second shift within our leadership comes with Lydia Willoughby's resignation as President of the Public Libraries Section to focus on her career. In her place, the Section Vice-President Lara Keenan, Director of Pierson Public Library in Shelburne, is stepping in to take on the role of President. I want to thank Scott and Lara for volunteering for their new roles and I look forward to our work together this year. I wish Liza and Lydia the best of luck and I hope we can continue working together to advocate for libraries in Vermont.

Throughout the fall, the Vermont Library Association has continued to be a persistent, behind-the-scenes defender for the right to library access for all readers in the Green Mountain State. Recent changes in Vermont State Education Standards that initially excluded library and school media specialist requirements prompted the VLA to issue the following statement:

"The proposed Vermont Education Quality Standards fail to acknowledge the important role of school library media specialists in Vermont schools. Media specialists are educators who manage the acquisition, access, and use of information resources for a school. Media specialists are partners with teachers in the development of literacy, digital literacy and critical thinking. Media specialists and the libraries and learning centers they maintain are essential to fostering independent, individualized learning, as emphasized in the new Common Core standards. The Vermont Library Association strongly supports the inclusion of school library media specialists as required staff in all school districts and supervisory unions, and asks for recognition of school library media specialists as essential to student achievement in the Vermont Education Quality Standards."

VLA coordinated with the Vermont School Library Association

Chittenden: 40  
Essex: 3  
Franklin: 11  
Grand Isle: 10  
Lamoille: 13  
Orange: 11  
Orleans: 5  
Rutland: 10  
Washington: 23  
Windham: 7  
Windsor: 11

Check out all the [VLA Employment Resources](#)

## Meet Your Leaders

VLA is here to help you. The people who make up the Executive Board, Section & Committee leaders and Representatives volunteer their time for VLA because they feel that it is important to be involved in an organization that benefits their fellow Vermont librarians and their profession as a whole. Below is a list of your VLA Leaders (for more contact information, see the [VLA Leadership Directory](#)). Let them know if you would like to be involved in VLA, too!

### Executive Board

**President:**  
[Amber Billey](#)

**Vice President/President Elect:**  
[Scott Murphy](#)

**Past President:**  
[Deborah Gadwah-Lambert](#)

**Secretary:**  
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[Wynne Browne](#)

### Section Representatives

**College & Special Libraries President:**  
Organizes workshops and assists college and special librarians.  
[Daisy Benson](#)

(VSLA) to mobilize and make our voices be heard in support for our school libraries and school media specialists. Thankfully, under the leadership of VSLA President Denise Wentz, VSLA effectively advocated and was successful in getting language about libraries and school media specialists added back into the new education standards before public hearings in October. VLA would like to thank Secretary of Education Armando Vilaseca for his continued support of school libraries and school media specialists.

The VLA sections are organizing exciting programming for you this year. Perhaps you attended the Youth Services Section children's librarians round table with Jane Napier on October 15th? Or are you going to the Public Libraries Tech Un-conference on April 9, 2014 at Midstate in Berlin? Or joined us for another Librarian Happy Hour on November 1, 2013 at Harpoon Brewery in Windsor? VLA was also at the Annual Trustees Meeting with the VT Department of Libraries on November 2, 2013. Watch for upcoming events from the Technical Services Section, as well as College and Special Libraries Section. We even have a Health Information round table in the works!

VLA was well represented at the New England Library Association Annual Conference in Portland, Maine this year too, with at least four members presenting. So VLA is busy and active out in Vermont libraryland and beyond! We're here to work with you to organize more informal meet-ups or formal meetings. Don't hesitate to get in touch with me or any section leader if you want to get involved. Join our listserv, friend us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter @VLALib to stay up-to-date on our ongoing events and initiatives.

Cheers and Libraries,

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## Immediate Past President's Letter

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math) is a philosophy not a program. According to the Afterschool Alliance, "Nearly 80% of future careers will require some STEM skills. A stimulating STEM education is essential for developing the basic analytical, problem-solving and critical thinking skills central to academic achievement and workforce readiness in the 21st century. Schools can't tackle this issue by themselves. Children spend less than 20% of their waking hours in school. Afterschool programs offer both additional time and the opportunity to diversify the ways that students experience STEM learning. Afterschool programs complement and supplement school-day learning and are well-positioned to engage and motivate participants. By offering innovative hands-on, project-based learning, STEM fields come alive for youth." ([www.afterschoolalliance.org/STEM.cfm](http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/STEM.cfm))

**Public Libraries****President:**

Organizes workshops and assists public librarians.

[Lara Keenan](#)

**Technical Services Section****President:**

Organizes workshops & assists technical services librarians.

[Christine Webb](#)

**Trustees President:**

Organizes workshops and assists library trustees.

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**Youth Librarians****President:**

Organizes workshops and assists youth librarians.

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**Government Relations****Chair:**

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[Selene Colburn](#)

**Intellectual Freedom****Chair:**

Assists librarians with challenges to library materials and issues related to patron privacy.

[Ray Brior](#)

**Membership & Outreach****Chair:**

Maintains membership roster.

Although I have submitted several aggressive grant requests for funding for a STEAM program at my library, I decided to move forward with the idea using what I had available in my current budget. As stated in the beginning it is a philosophy more than a program and a philosophy I have found to be extremely fun as well as educational. We started with just a handful of students hanging out at the library one afternoon and it quickly grew to a much larger group that I anticipate to increase even more once the word spreads about the cool things we are experimenting with at the library. Our first adventure was trying out a variety of candy experiments from the book "Candy Experiments" by Loralee Leavitt. Of course it was the Mentos candies in Diet Coke that exploded everyone's interest. Advertised on social media, we had the entire community wondering which bacteria sample would grow the nastiest sample (foot, nose, toilet handle or front door handle). We have built puff mobiles and boats with few materials and had competitions. The materials have been minimal but the fun and learning unlimited. I attended the Sparkfun workshop at Midstate a few weeks ago and I am working out the computer to student ratio for some fun with their materials. This week we explore math with cooking (and the apple peeler and corer is always a hit with everyone).

Should I receive extra funding some of my grander ideas will take off, but if not, we are still having fun with science, technology, engineering, art and math here in Canaan. It does not have to cost a lot. You do not have to be an expert in any of these fields. What it takes is the desire to put the time in and have an inquisitive mind. Yes, I am learning almost as much as the students as we go along and seeing the students eyes light up and big smiles makes it all worth every second of my time.

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## Co-editors' Letter

You probably don't know Rachel Reynolds Luster. And with good reason. She is the new librarian for the town of Myrtle, Missouri, population 300. And you think Vermont has small libraries! NPR recently did a story about Rachel and her one-woman mission to bring lifelong learning opportunities, community and connectedness to this tiny, isolated town. As NPR reported, with the nearest bookstore two hours away, and a budget of \$200 a month for materials, it's no easy task. But, like many Vermont librarians, Rachel has taken it on with gusto, creativity, plenty of elbow grease, and ingenuity.

We have an abundance of inspiring library colleagues here in Vermont. I know I have met some of my favorites through the Vermont Library Association! It's important for so many reasons to meet and mingle with other librarians; for support, sharing ideas, problem solving, coaching and mentoring, a sense of professionalism and camaraderie. Whenever I get together with my regional librarians' group, I come away feeling re-invigorated and so appreciative of our collective wisdom and experience. I never fail to learn something which I can put to immediate use in my library.

[Helen Linda](#)

**Personnel Chair:**

Assists librarians with questions related to personnel issues.

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Represents Vermont in the regional organization.

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Read the full story about Rachel Reynolds Luster at [Inside a Rural Library](#) or even better, meet up with your local colleagues over a cup of tea or at a VLA event. Either way, you will definitely get inspired!

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## Membership & Outreach Committee

Exciting changes are coming! We're currently researching options for online payment and putting the VLA Membership Form 2014 online. Keep an eye out for that and our renewal reminder in November/December.

We're also planning to roll out a newer version of the [VLA website](#) by conference time next year. The idea is to showcase our new logo, provide organized menus so we can all find information faster, and distinct areas for each section and committee so you can keep up with them easier.

We've already switched to email membership letters with a member card that you can print out, if you want to. The e-letters save the organization postage, are more environmentally friendly, and give us the opportunity to highlight member benefits better than ever before.

If you have any suggestions, questions, comments about your membership, please don't hesitate to be in touch!

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## Youth Librarians Section

Happy Fall! On October 15, 2013, a group of wonderful librarians met as a round table to discuss children's services in Vermont's public libraries. It was an awesome chance to get together and discuss what is working in each of our libraries, what isn't working and what we are all planning for the fall and winter months. Some topics included infant and toddler story time, teen and tween programming, recap of summer reading programs and unattended children policies. I hope that each of us were able to walk away with ideas for future programming and make some real connections with our colleagues. I have attached my notes in hopes that others will be able to use some of the information that was shared. Feel free to contact me with any questions or ideas that you have about future programs and events!

**Notes from the October 15th Round table:**

Infant story time-repetition, same opening and closing, using bubbles

Disruptive parents-how do we make them participate? Felt circles/ carpet samples to have parents sit on

Most librarians enjoyed the summer reading theme-Snake Guy in Rutland Ron Howard, Scavenger Hunt in library for 3rd-6th graders finding books in the stacks that had to do with theme using word searches, riddles, etc.

No librarians currently working with home schoolers

Librarians are able to attend COMICON for \$25.00 professional pass

Events happening in the fall-teen murder mystery party ([jlsummer@winooskivt.org](mailto:jlsummer@winooskivt.org)) has extra games available, making scarecrows, eating bugs

Pizza party and scary movie

Trash talk movie night (similar to Mystery Science Theater 3000)

Making Hedgehog books

[shorewoodlibraryteens.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/book-hedgehog-folding-instructions.pdf](http://shorewoodlibraryteens.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/book-hedgehog-folding-instructions.pdf)

Star Wars read day-origami Yoda, movie marathon, light saber wars with apps on phones

Maker Mondays-four week program, brush bots, art bots, Laboratory B- makerspace in Burlington [www.laboratoryb.org](http://www.laboratoryb.org)

Minecraft-hard to get kids to participate in other programs when they want to game

Making rubber band bracelets are a big hit right now  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=uysA5qpdV5A](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uysA5qpdV5A)

Project website: [www.looledo.com/index.php](http://www.looledo.com/index.php)

Hasbro will send sets of Monopoly for tournaments along with free games to give as prizes-Do program in conjunction with National Gaming Day International Games Day @ your library on Saturday, November 16, 2013

Lego programs-Ask patrons to bring in their old Legos to start your collection, Can You Hear Me Now-Teen/Tween has to build a structure out of Legos in 15 minutes and then try to explain to the parent how to build a replica while sitting back to back, then switch

More collaboration with Parks and Rec departments and libraries

Unattended Children's Policies

[wikis.ala.org/professionaltips/index.php?title=Unattended\\_Children\\_in\\_Libraries](http://wikis.ala.org/professionaltips/index.php?title=Unattended_Children_in_Libraries).

Where to go for book reviews?

[VOYA](#)

[Amazon.com](#)

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## Technical Services Section

Greetings! My name is Christine Webb, and I'm Cataloger/Reference Librarian/Collection Manager at the Fletcher Free Library in Burlington. It is my honor to serve you as the first president of the newly formed Technical Services Section of the VLA.

The Technical Services Section grew out of the former Cataloging Roundtable sponsored by the Vermont Department of Libraries. Now that we have joined VLA formally as a section, we hope to expand beyond just cataloging to include acquisitions, technology, interlibrary loan, and other 'backstage' skills and responsibilities. Please let your colleagues know about this new section of VLA, or let us know how we can help you.

We are in need of a vice president for the section. The duties of the vice president will likely include representing the section on the VLA Annual Conference Committee, and helping to plan and facilitate meetings or workshops for members. If you are interested, or would like to suggest someone who might be interested, please email me at [cwebb@burlingtonvt.gov](mailto:cwebb@burlingtonvt.gov).

The next meeting of the Technical Services Section will be held on November 14th at Midstate Regional Library in Berlin. Come for coffee & donuts at 9:30, stay for the meeting from 10-12. Topics to be discussed include the transition to RDA (Resource Description and Access, the new cataloging rules that replace AACR2R), including hybrid records, NACO training (Name Authority Cooperative Program, the program that allows participants to establish authority records), and any other topics members wish to bring to the floor, including scheduling a MARCEdit workshop.

Looking forward to working with you,

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## Awards Committee

State Librarian Marty Reid sets a great example in the October VT Dept. of Libraries newsletter: she lauds several of our Vermont colleagues for their recent accomplishments. (You can find the link to her comments here - [libraries.vermont.gov/node/386](#).) Imitation is, after all, the sincerest form of flattery - so please follow Marty's example and let me know about your most admired library staffer, trustee, or advocate. Sharing the good news not only makes us *feel* good, it makes us *look* good. Together we can keep the value of librarians and libraries front and center in the public discourse.

VLA recognizes extraordinary library service and action with four awards: the Sarah C. Hagar, Trustee of the Year, Library Advocate of the Year, and Green Mountain Awards  
[www.vermontlibraries.org/awards](http://www.vermontlibraries.org/awards). No need to wait to nominate!

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## Intellectual Freedom Committee

The Intellectual Freedom Committee has been working with Trina Maggi, from UVM and NELA, regarding a letter expressing the library community's position on domestic surveillance in the post-9/11 era. In addition to having VLA and NELA signatures, Vermont Consortium of Academic Libraries has also expressed interest in signing onto the letter. The committee's chair will soon be meeting with one of Representative Welch's top state staffers in order to discuss issues where the VLA has interests, and the issue of domestic surveillance is certain to play a large role. Planning for an end-of-year John Swann Lecture is ongoing, and the committee's chair has been reaching out to a number of individuals in order to find a knowledgeable speaker for the event.

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## NELA Conference 2013

NELA Conference 2013 Reports from Two VT Librarians

From Helen Linda:

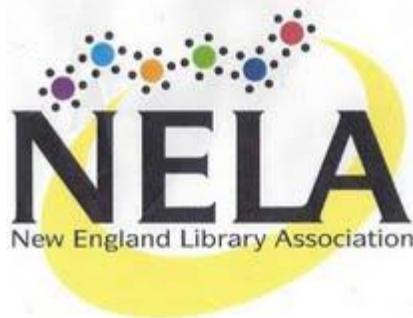
I had the pleasure of presenting at this year's [NELA Annual Conference](#) in Portland, ME and am delighted to report that my program, [How to Effectively Communicate with Techies](#), was very well received! It was my first solo presentation at such a big event, so I am delighted that it went swimmingly. I was only able to attend one program because I could only go on Tuesday of the conference, but the [MARCredit workshop](#) was amazing. I learned things that made it seem like Christmas had come early this year. Please feel free to check out program details at the conference website or on the conference blog ([conference.nelib.org](http://conference.nelib.org)).

I subbed in for NELA Rep Nancy Tusinski to head the Vermont team at the NELA games at the [Portland Public Library](#). We had 11 people on our team, which is about 6 or more people than usual, so thanks everyone for coming out! While we were the first team to get our [Maurice Sendak exhibit](#) treasure hunt answers in, New Hampshire won the event in a drawing. But we were first!

Finally, I went to the NELA Annual Business Meeting as part of my final duties as the [New England Technical Service Librarians](#) Past President. NELA has a lovely new logo (which I scanned from a wrinkly piece of paper, sorry, but you get the idea) and is working on a new website, though they didn't have a sneak preview for us yet. The organization is in the process of cleaning house and restructuring and revisioning for a bright and healthy future. The executive board also voted to award our own VLA President, Amber Billey, a continuing education grant for [Advanced Rare Book School](#) at the [Folger Shakespeare Library](#). Billey was one of only a handful of people invited to return for this very prestigious opportunity, so huge congrats!

It's a very exciting time to [get involved in NELA](#). Check out their membership information and keep your eyes peeled for upcoming changes.

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From Janet Clapp:

The NELA conference is an excellent opportunity to network with librarians from around New England and get ideas to bring home to our Vermont libraries. I was fortunate to attend the entire conference, becoming inspired and informed by many sessions.

**The Art of the E-Book Deal.** Kansas State Librarian Jo Budler talked about the changing world of e-books and reminded the audience that if we remember only one thing from her session it should be to never sign a renewal contract without reading and comparing it to the original contract. See her slide show presentation at [www.nelaconference.org/ebook-deal.html](http://www.nelaconference.org/ebook-deal.html).

**BYOD: supporting patrons' devices in the library.** The panelists offered tips and advice on how they handle the myriad personal electronic devices that patrons want librarians to help them use. Amy Adreasson (MA) tries to find out specific questions that the patron has and will schedule appointments with the patron if the device or the issue is unfamiliar. Mat Bose (NH) facilitates a monthly users group meeting for the public that serves the triple purposes of promoting library services, introducing community members to each other, and sharing knowledge among users. Dean Baumeister provided technical information on how he repurposed his library's old computers into client/server catalogs. For more on this session, check out [www.nelaconference.org/byod.html](http://www.nelaconference.org/byod.html).

**Not Your Average Book Group.** The following programming ideas were presented by a panel of librarians: a book group for adults who read young adult literature, a cookbook group complete with cooking demonstrations, an adult summer reading program, and a non-fiction book group. For more on this session, check out [www.nelaconference.org/book-group.html](http://www.nelaconference.org/book-group.html).

**Censorship on the Net 2013.** Big Brother is alive and well. Melora Ranney Norman's thought-provoking talk covered history and concerns regarding filtering and the freedom of cyberspace. Search engine results affected by payment inhibit access to information. For people concerned about privacy when using Google, check out DuckDuckGo ([duckduckgo.com](http://duckduckgo.com)) or ixquick ([ixquick.com](http://ixquick.com)). The conference blog summarizes and provides links to her presentation ([conference.nelib.org/](http://conference.nelib.org/))

**Advocating for Teen Services.** Martha Holden and Melissa Robinson (MA) have built a strong network of community partners to help the library provide teen services and build a makerspace. You can see their handout on what teens need that libraries can offer at [www.nelaconference.org/advocating-teens.html](http://www.nelaconference.org/advocating-teens.html).

**Trends in E-books.** Marilyn Borgendale (NH) discussed the 3M Cloud Library, which appeared well-integrated with the library catalog; Deb Hoadley (MA) talked about the statewide e-book project, and Meena Jain (MA) shared ways in which e-books can be used to increase accessibility. See links related to their presentation at [nelaconference.org/trends-ebooks.html](http://nelaconference.org/trends-ebooks.html).

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## 4-H and Libraries

From Guest Contributor Sarah Kleinman:

4-H is the largest non-formal youth-serving organization in the country. Tied to the USDA and all land-grant colleges across the country, 4-H provides life and job skill development opportunities through hands-on, age-appropriate, and research-based curriculum delivered in an experiential manner, in all sorts of settings. A recent longitudinal study completed by Tufts University found that youth who participate in 4-H are more likely to reach their goals, attend college and give back to their communities, as compared to their peers in other youth serving organizations ([www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/](http://www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/)).

Here in Vermont, 4-H is the positive youth development program connected to the University of Vermont Extension. 4-H reaches almost 7000 youth across the state and in all 14 counties. Our programs include 4-H clubs, after-school and out of school workshops and programs, as well as in-school programming. While the subject matter may change, all 4-H programs focus on developing life skills, often called 21st employability skills such as teamwork, decision making, leadership and more. In addition, our offerings fall into one of three categories; citizenship education, healthy living education, as well as science, engineering and technology.

Since 2002, 4-H has focused efforts on a nationwide initiative to increase the quality and availability of after-school programs by creating learning opportunities suitable for any after-school setting, by delivering enriching, hands-on curricula, and by training staff and volunteers to work more effectively with youth, helping participants to reach new levels of social, emotional, physical and academic success through experiential exploration.

4-H programs do rely on volunteers, educators and community members to further our reach and impact across the state. Partnering with libraries has already proven successful in Franklin and Grand Isle counties. Oftentimes, 4-H staff provide ready to use curriculum, training, and program supplies or learning kits in a wide array of topics including science and technology, communication and expressive arts, leadership and more! Examples of our learning kits include digital photography or videography (includes cameras, curriculum laptops and more), GPS kits, LEGO robotics kits, and more! Our materials are meant for groups of 8-16 and geared towards a wide range of ages and developmental abilities.

If your library is a gathering spot for youth, or offers programs for school-aged youth and could benefit from professional development, innovative programming, or resource materials, take the time to review the 4-H website at [www.uvm.edu/extension/youth](http://www.uvm.edu/extension/youth) or call your local 4-H Educator at [1-800-571-0668](tel:1-800-571-0668). The 4-H of today may surprise you!

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## More Resources On...WordPress

Helen Linda suggests some additional resources about WordPress.

Website: Digging into WordPress [digwp.com](http://digwp.com)

Books:

*Head First Wordpress: a brain-friendly guide*

*Wordpress for Dummies All-In-One: 8 books in 1*

*Teach Yourself Visually Wordpress*

*Wordpress: Theme Design: a complete guide to creating Wordpress Themes*

## Tip of the Month

You have surely noticed that there is a growing trend to turn books into movies, and it doesn't look like it's going to stop anytime

soon! You probably noticed an increase in popularity of the book before, during, and after the release of the film version. Would you like some tools to help you stay ahead of the curve? If you anticipate the sudden surge in popularity you might check if you own a copy, perhaps buy an extra paperback copy, or (dare I say), make sure your only copy doesn't go out on interlibrary loan just as the movie hits the big screen!

Another tip: It's fun to make a display of books-to-film titles around Academy Award time (usually late February).

Below are some good websites for both current and past books made into movies.

[Goodreads](#) has a few different lists.

For an article about 2013 check out [BuzzFeed Books](#).

Here is a pretty awesome list posted by the [Mid-Continent Library](#) system in MO!

Another large list that looks like someone's pet project can be found at [www.booksmadeintomovies.com](#). This list is sortable by author's name or chronologically, has many British books, and has information on the DVDs available.

And then there are numerous lists on [Wikipedia](#) and [Amazon](#).

Have fun and see you at the movies!

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#### **Don't Forget to Visit Us on the Web!**

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