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This newsletter offers encouragement, tips, new tools, and other ideas to participants in More Things On a Stick, A Library Learning 2.0 Program sponsored by the seven Minnesota multicounty multitype library systems.

There are still More Things stickers available. See Issue 1 for details! Don't miss out.

## It's Just 5 Minutes & We All Learn

The multiypes are proposing breakout sessions at both MLA and MEMO where YOU highlight the tools you have learned and applied in 23 Things On a Stick and/or More Things On a Stick.

We are using the Ignite or Pecha Kucha (a

Japanese word for chit-chat, that we really can't pronounce) format. In these formats, presenters have 20 slides/15 seconds (5 minutes, give or take) a slide to explain, opine, or expound on a topic. We hope to have between 7 & 10 presenters (depending on session length) give us their best info on the topic of their choosing.

So, here is your chance to share with the library community. You choose the topic, you make the slides (PowerPoint or Google Presentation), we load them on a wiki, and you present at MLA and/or MEMO. While we would like a range of topics, if everyone wants to talk about Twitter or GoogleDocs, that's OK, because we know every presentation will be different--and entertaining, informative, and useful.

Review the Things in both programs & choose one that you liked, used the most, or have an opinion about. Other tools/topics are welcome, too. If you want to present as a team, that would work, if you can keep to the 5 minute limit!

Here are some examples of presentations:

- Everything You Need to Know About Being a Teenager Meg
  Canada, Senior Librarian at Hennepin Co. Library presented this at a MPLS Ignite session in April. Clever!
- Ignite MPLS#1 YouTube Channel This event offered many presenters. See how they did!

Three Maryland librarians' presentations at their MLA Pecha Kucha on Maryland Libraries and Web 2.0.

- The Case of the Library Blog
- Twitter For Md Lib Assn. 2009 Pecha Kucha 2pointOh.
- delicious: "Season" Your Reference Desk

Search the tag Ignite or Pecha Kucha on SlideShare to find many more.

You get the idea--5 minutes on the topic of your choice in front of an audience of appreciative, eager-to-learn MLA/MEMO attendees. What are you waiting for? It's only 5 minutes! Sign up!

Have questions? Need hints? Ready to go? Email minn23@gmail.com or call your multicounty multitype director.



Thing 42. Music To Live By...

Ever wanted a life like those in musicals that have "ordinary" people accompanied by music and song? With some online music services, you can be surrounded by music wherever you are (with your Internet-connected computer, at least).



Grooveshark has added some features since it was mentioned in Thing 42. This legal streaming music service now does not require a download to listen to any song in the world for free. You can create your own Internet radio stations and search for mp3's to stream. With more than 6 million songs online, you can find something to accompany your life. Set up an account to use Autoplay & Grooveshark will stream the songs you put into your queue. You can add a widget of your favorite music to your blog, MySpace, or Web page, too.

As with many Web 2.0 tools, Grooveshark offers the social piece of recommending and finding others' recommendations as part of this music community. Lots of other tools and features make Grooveshark fun to browse and use.

Other sources of legal, free music online include:

- Free Music Archive--Songs are can be browsed by genre or curator, and new tracks are added constantly. You may sign up to create mix playlists or blogs of FMA content. An added bonus-every mp3 on FMA is pre-cleared for certain types of uses (eg, podcasts) that would otherwise be prohibited by traditional copyright law.
- <u>justhearit</u>-Similar to Grooveshark, it offers any song free to stream. Still in beta, it will eventually offer playlists and other tools.

So, the weather is warming, time for dancing in the streets! Or at your desk, or in the stacks, or wherever!



Google Librarian Returns

After a lengthy hiatus, Google Librarian Newsletter has returned. You can read the April 2009 issue and past issues <a href="here">here</a>.

The current issue highlights the addition of new content on Google including magazines (announced 12/08), news archives (announced 09/08), & the millions of historic images from the Time/Life collection (announced 11/08). Just in case you haven't been keeping up.

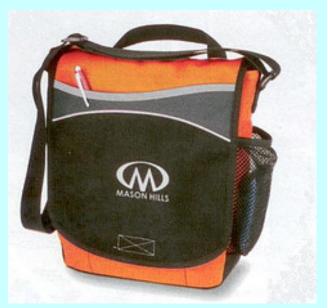




# Be One of the "Cool Kids"! Finish 10 & Get the Bag

The deadline for completing More Things On a Stick has been extended to June 20. So get on the Stick: we *want* to give you a prize!

Remember, everyone who completes at least 10 of the Things and blogs about them will receive the incentive, this cool bag (might be a different color) with the More Things On a



Stick logo. Those who do **all** of the Things and blog about them will receive a bonus. To give us an idea of how many we need, please answer this **quick survey**.

Send us an email if you have finished all the Things and need a CEU certificate before June 20--we will get it to you!

Have fun doing More Things On a Stick. Feel free to pass this newsletter on to your colleagues, family, and friends. Email questions to <a href="mailto:minn23@gmail.com">minn23@gmail.com</a>.

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