

# THE ICONN TIMES

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## Budget

The Connecticut State Library has received its budget allocations from the Office of Policy and Management for the current fiscal year. The allocations are less than the appropriated amounts due to the same hold back process that we experienced last year. The hold backs are approximately the same as last year so we are not making further reductions in our database holdings or reQuest services. Of course there may still be mid-year reductions.



## New Gale Resource Centers in August

In response to user feedback, Cengage Gale has redesigned its Resource Centers to improve the relevancy and currency of search results. The new design offers users a media rich experience in a portal environment. Starting August 1, the new design will affect: History Resource Center: U.S., History Resource Center: World, and Science Resource Center. Names will change from Resource Center to In Context (e.g., Science Resource Center will become Science In Context). The Biography Resource Center will be upgraded in late August/early September. Existing direct links to these resources will continue to work. Other resource centers (Health, Business) will follow later. For more information, see:



### FAQs

<http://www.uptilt.com/ct.html?rtr=on&s=4rs.1ddwy.2yly.4slp.kk5.12lr.k5q2>

### A product overview

<http://www.uptilt.com/ct.html?rtr=on&s=4rs.1ddwy.2yly.g1ir.c4wm.12lr.k5q2> (requires user name and e-mail address)

### Preview screens

<http://www.uptilt.com/ct.html?rtr=on&s=4rs.1ddwy.2yly.f5ol.jg43.12lr.k5q2>

Training on the new resources will be available from Cengage Gale. Questions are welcome and can be directed to Eric Hansen at [ehansen@cslib.org](mailto:ehansen@cslib.org) or 860-704-2224 (toll free: 888-256-1222).

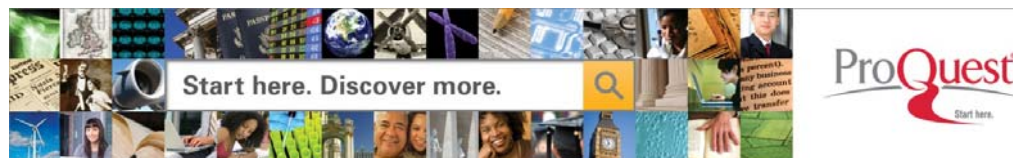
## New ProQuest Platform in October

ProQuest is releasing a new search platform that will affect all of its products except HeritageQuest. The new platform will feature a single search box and cross-searching capability. Search results will be enhanced with extensive functionality, such as social networking tools, facets, snippets, Key-word-in-Context, abstract preview, citation tools, and much more. An administrative module will permit libraries to do their own setup and configuration. iCONN is scheduled for migration during October. A separate announcement will be made regarding direct link changes. For a preview of the interface and some of its improvements, see: [http://www.proquest.com/assets/media/services/platform/demo\\_web.swf](http://www.proquest.com/assets/media/services/platform/demo_web.swf)

ProQuest has an information page about the new platform at:

<http://www.proquest.com/en-US/promos/platform/genlib.shtml>

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## iCONN Training

August 17, 2010  
12:00—1:30 pm

**FREE** iCONN Webinar :  
**Resources for Young  
Adult Librarians.**

Stacey Knibloe, Training  
Consultant for Gale  
Cengage will cover:

- ◆ PowerSearch,
- ◆ Biography Resource Center,
- ◆ Science Resource Center,
- ◆ History Resource Center.

Register at:  
[http://evanced.info/cslib/  
evanced/eventcalendar.asp](http://evanced.info/cslib/evanced/eventcalendar.asp)

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August 20, 2010  
9:00—10:30 am

**FREE** iCONN Webinar :  
**Resources for Children's  
Librarians.**

Stacey Knibloe, Training  
Consultant for Gale Cengage  
will cover:

- ◆ Discovering Collection
- ◆ Kids InfoBits
- ◆ Junior Edition
- ◆ Student Edition

Register at:  
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## 30 Libraries Take Advantage of New reQuest Discount

Thirty current and new reQuest participating libraries took advantage of the new discount for multiple libraries in a school district or multi-branch public, academic and special libraries.

In this new model the main library pays the annual fee of \$325 and all additional libraries pay only \$150 each.

### It's not too late to join....

Here are some of the benefits:

- ◆ Create a virtual network of your libraries
- ◆ Create your own custom searches and displays in reQuest
- ◆ Download unlimited cataloging records from reQuest's 5+ million-record catalog
- ◆ Support your patrons, students, faculty and staff with access to CT's statewide interlibrary loan service.

Contact the iCONN Staff or visit the "Joining reQuest" page from the iCONN Sitemap for more information including the reQuest Participation forms:

<http://www.iconn.org/staff/JoiningReQuest.aspx>

## Popular Magazines on the Web

iCONN's Other Useful Sites section now includes a "Popular Magazines on the Web" page at <http://www.iconn.org/AdditionalResourcesJournalsPopMag.aspx> that provides free access to the complete or nearly complete full text archives of many popular magazines, including some that were removed or will be removed from iCONN due to exclusive vendor contracts. In addition, at our request, Serials Solutions has made all of this content accessible through the E-Journal Finder at:

<http://jx8sd9lj6j.search.serialssolutions.com/> (public/school)

<http://kj6xf9su7b.search.serialssolutions.com/> (academic)

If you know of any additional titles whose full text archives are freely accessible on the Web, please let us know at <http://www.iconn.org/SendComments.aspx> and we will add them to the Web page and to the E-Journal Finder.

## Linking from Licensed To Free Resources

The iCONN Newspapers page now includes a link to "Other News Sources" at <http://www.iconn.org/AdditionalResourcesNews.aspx>.

The E-Journal Finder pages cited above now also include a "Find other E-Journals here" link to <http://www.iconn.org/AdditionalResourcesJournals.aspx> that connects users to a number of freely accessible journal archives.

