Greetings, BPL patrons and friends from the 2019 American Library Association Conference in Washington, D.C. I write to you this morning from the nation's capital where team members are attending the American Library Association Annual Conference.

Sacred Harp Singing Reception for Sacred Sounds of Alabama Exhibit at Central Library June 30
The Sacred Harp singers will be at the Central Library on Saturday, June 30, 3:00–5:00 p.m., after the group performs a special singing on the sixth floor of the Jefferson County Courthouse. The all-day singing event will celebrate the forthcoming release of Alan Lomax’s field recordings for the Library of Congress. They were made during a singing on the site of the courthouse in August 1942.

Rumore of Springville Road Library Appointed to ALA GLBTRT Program Planning Committee
Samuel Rumore, a librarian at the Springville Road Regional Branch Library, has been appointed to the American Library Association Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table Program Planning Committee. He will represent the State of Alabama for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2019.

Summer Beach Reads
Summer is officially here. Although it has been hot for months, the calendar has finally caught up with the temperature. It’s time for a trip to the beach. Before you leave, though, make sure you have something great to read. These new titles might be just what you’re looking for.

2019 Lammy Awards
The 31st Awards were held June 2 at the Central Library. The Lammys are one of the largest LGBT awards ceremonies in the U.S., recognizing works by and about LGBT individuals and experiences. More information.

EXHIBIT
Sacred Sounds of Alabama
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