34-	Webliography Section 34
01	2015: International Year of Light  On December 20, 2013 the UN General Assembly proclaimed 2015 as the International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies in honor of Einstein's field equations explicating general relativity. While events, programs, and speakers are planned throughout the year - and across the globe - the website presents excellent resources accessible to anyone. Readers may like to begin by scouting the Einstein Centenary, which explains the logic and impact of general relativity, and can be found in the Cosmic Light section of the site. The Why Light Matters area offers sections explaining What photonics is, as well as sections on Energy, Economic Impact, Light in the Built Environment, and Connecting the World. For educators looking for light-related sources, or readers fascinated by Einstein's contributions, this is a rich site, full of inspirational ideas for student reports and presentations, as well as supplements for existing lesson plans. <i>I. S.</i>
02	The Index of Economic Freedom is published annually by the Wall Street Journal and The Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank whose stated mission is to "formulate and promote the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values, and a strong national defense." The 2015 rankings break countries into five categories based on a cumulative metric. Countries like Hong Kong, Singapore, and New Zealand are considered economically Free. Other nations fall into the categories of Mostly Free, Moderately Free, Mostly Unfree, and Repressed. While rankings and economics might not be for everyone, readers may also find much to ponder in the dozens of profiles of individual nations. Here, they can read about measures of Rule of Law, Regulatory Efficiency, Limited Government, Open Markets, and other metrics. The website also allows readers to compare nations. For instance, a comparison of Hong Kong and the United States shows Hong Kong outperforming the U.S. in most categories of economic freedom every year for the past 20 years. <i>I. S.</i>
03	26th Annual Pi Day Celebration  This site, created in 2004 for the Pi Day celebration on March 14 (3/14), commemorates an irrational real number (approximately equal to 3.14) which is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Features a short history of pi, activities, and links to related sites about calculating pi, memorizing pi, and pi humor. From the Exploratorium. <i>LII</i>

## 04 40 maps that explain the Roman Empire

If you like your history presented visually and in a popular, Internet style, this site is for you. The set of 40 maps begins with an animated map, that depicts the rise and fall of the Roman Empire by landmass, from 500 BC to 476 AD. Map #3 provides an interesting insight into the size of the Roman Empire, relative to the transportation technologies of the day. Plotted by researchers at Stanford University, readers can use this map to determine travel time from London to Rome - about 3 weeks. There's also a map on the route of Hannibal's famous invasion of Rome with elephants. Compiled by editorial staff and artists at Vox Media, this map collection includes a few errata listed at the end. Many of the maps and sources are linked to Wikipedia articles, which in turn cite published histories - so it appears that Vox has done due diligence. *I. S.* 

## 05 Abbott and Costello

William Alexander (Bud) Abbott and Louis (Lou) Francis Cristillo (who later changed his name to Costello) were both born in New Jersey around the turn of the 20th century. They met on the burlesque circuit, where they perfected their straight man/clown comedy routine, and proceeded to radio, broadway, film, and then television during their decades-long partnership. This fan website offers a host of Abbott and Costello memorabilia, including scripts of such famous comedy routines as "Who's on First?" and "Loafing." The Videos section will perhaps be of the most interest to readers, offering numerous short clips and two full-length Biographies that can be streamed online. *I. S.* 

#### Of Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences: Collections

For readers who are interested in the history of American film, the various resources found on the Academy Oral History Collection can provide hours of edification. Readers may like to start by browsing the Completed Oral Histories. There they will find a list of more than 70 interviewees from all walks of Hollywood life, from costume designers to film editors to screenwriters. Each name is accompanied by a brief biography. From there, readers may link to The Writer's Guild Foundation's the Writer Speaks, which features video and audio interviews with writers who have made their careers in Hollywood. Lastly, the Film Music Foundation link navigates to interviews with the composers who have brought the magic of music to the screen. *I. S.* 

#### 07 | All About Japanese Hina Dolls

"Every year on March 3rd, Japan celebrates the Doll Festival (Japanese, Hina Matsuri). Until recently, Girls' Day was also celebrated on March 3rd. On this day every year, families set up a special step-altar on which to arrange their Emperor and Empress dolls, called 'hina' in Japanese." This site describes and provides images of these dolls and doll altars. From the Kyoto Museum. *LII* (Archived)

#### 08 | America's Story: Harriet Tubman

Brief biography and series of stories about the life of Harriet Tubman, "a runaway slave from Maryland who became known as the 'Moses of her people." Illustrated essays describe Tubman's escape from slavery, her role as conductor of the Underground Railroad, and her work during the U.S. Civil War. From the Library of Congress. *LII* 

#### 09 American Battle Monuments Commission

The American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC), which was established by congress in 1923, honors the "service, achievements, and sacrifice" of American soldiers by caring for overseas commemorative cemeteries and memorials. Readers will find much to explore in the Cemeteries & Memorials section of the website, where the dozens of cemeteries the commission oversees are listed in alphabetical order, from the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery in France to the Western Naval Task Force Marker in Morocco. Selecting any cemetery or monument navigates readers to that site's informational page, where readers can peruse a history of the site, examine photographs, and often download PDFs of commemorative and visitor booklets. In addition, the site features an excellent search function that allows readers to search the site's 224,290 records for servicemen and women that are commemorated by the ABMC. *I. S.* 

## 10 Beyond the Picket Fence: Australian Women's Art in the National Library's Collection

Website for this exhibition that "opened on the twentieth anniversary of International Women's Day and was one of more than one hundred exhibitions held in Australia in 1995 to celebrate women's activities and creativity." Features images of art created by Australian women, accompanied by brief biographies. Some of the themes include Australian life and scenery, art for children, portraits, and gardens, plants, and birds. From the National Library of Australia. *LII* 

#### 11 BioNews

BioNews is an online British magazine that covers genetics, assisted conception, and stem cell research. Founded in 1999 with a grant from the Baroness Mary Warnock, the site offers a mix of news and commentary on both scientific advancements and the political, legal, ethical, and social issues that arise with these advancements. Recent articles have unpacked Europe's approval of stem cell marketing, highlighted some bad journalism on egg donors, and explored the possible medical applications of graphene. In addition to the excellent news coverage, the site offers a large glossary of terms related to genetics, assisted conception, and stem cell research. Few free, web-based magazines can compete with BioNews when it comes to coverage of biotech and related topics. *I. S.* 

#### 12 | California: No Child Left Behind

California state government documents related to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), including Adequate Yearly Progress documentation (2003 to present), teacher requirements resources guides and FAQs, and related material. From the California Department of Education. *LII* 

#### 13 California Mission Postcards

When picture postcards became popular in the late 19th century, businesses sprang up to take advantage of the new art form. In fact, names like the Curt Teich Company, the Detroit Publishing Company, the Edward H. Mitchell Company, and the Van Ornum Colorprint Company were, for decades, nearly synonymous with the small photos and sketches that tourists sent home from their travels. The dozens of postcards featured on this website from the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History, are all associated with the 21 missions established in northern and southern California by Spanish Franciscan missionaries between 1769 and 1823. Readers may peruse the beautiful paintings and photographs of these iconic religious institutions on the site, as well as read the brief but fascinating history of postcards in the United States and of the Spanish Missions that inspired this particular collection. *I. S.* 

#### 14 CDC Division of Tuberculosis Elimination

Extensive information about tuberculosis (TB), "a disease caused by bacteria called Mycobacterium tuberculosis. The bacteria usually attack the lungs. ... TB disease was once the leading cause of death in the United States." Provides fact sheets and other documents about topics such as vaccines, TB information for international travelers, TB in minority populations, and TB and HIV/AIDS. Also includes educator and training resources. From the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. *LII* 

## 15 Celebrating Europe! 50th Anniversary of the Treaty of Rome

Official site celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Treaty of Rome (1957), which established the European Economic Community (EEC, now the EU). Features historical background and photos about the EU, basic facts, and a calendar of events in 2007 for anniversary celebrations (such as exhibitions, dance and theater performances, sporting events, conferences, and more). Available in several languages. From the European Union (EU). *LII* 

#### 16 Centenary of the Montessori Movement

This site from 2007 celebrates the 100th anniversary since Dr. Maria Montessori opened her first school. The site features background and a timeline about Montessori, extracts from Montessori's writings, an introduction to Montessori teaching pedagogy, a collection of photos showing Montessori programs in a variety of countries and settings, and articles about the Montessori teaching method. Also includes material about centenary events. From the Montessori Centenary Steering Committee. *LII* 

## 17 Center for Humans & Nature

The Center for Humans & Nature, which has offices in New York and Chicago, brings together "philosophers, biologists, ecologists, lawyers, artists, political scientists, anthropologists, poets, and economists, among others" to ask big questions about the relationship between human beings and the rest of the planet. The group's manifesto can be found under the About Us tab. Readers may also like to explore the Featured Questions section, which poses a question and then asks scholars to write responses. In addition, the site provides access to the group's beautiful and important journal, Mind Nature, as well as a blog that is updated several times a month with comments on everything from biodiversity to ecological restoration to mindfulness. *I. S.* 

#### 18 Charles Darwin Letters

Of the many thousands of letters that Charles Darwin wrote during his lifetime, over 7,000 are kept in various libraries around the world. The Woodward Library at the University of British Columbia is in possession of two groups of these letters. The first, numbering about 40 letters, is drawn from Darwin's correspondence with Jim Scott Burdon Sanderson about the two scientists' research on insect-eating plants. The second, a group of about 80 letters, part of the Fox/Pearce (Darwin) Collection - 1821-1884, details observations of the natural history of insects, birds, and eggs. The letters have been scanned and uploaded to the library's website, where readers may zoom in on interesting tidbits, read about the collection, and explore the life and times of this world-renowned naturalist. The Additional Resources section is also well worth a look, providing links to related projects, such as the Darwin Correspondence Project and the Darwin Manuscripts Project. *I. S.* 

#### 19 Charleston Earthquake, 1886

The University of South Carolina Libraries presents this digital web gallery documenting the Charleston Earthquake that occurred on August 31, 1886. Contemporary photographs by George LaGrange Cook, William Wilson, W.H. Fairchild, J.H. Wisser, and Joseph Hall show the destruction immediately following the earthquake and are complemented by reports, maps, and geological surveys conducted by the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. For example, a search on "tent" retrieves a view of a tent city in Washington Square, another on Hampstead Mall, and yet another in an unnamed park. There are multiple views of buildings, including Mayor William A. Courtenay's house, with roof damage and props to hold up the walls until more repair could be done. The gallery was created with CONTENTdm software; moving from image to image can be a little clunky, but once an image is selected, images can be zoomed for great detail viewing. *I. S.* 

## 20 <u>Cities Around the World</u>

This site "presents over 6,100 photographic images [of over 450 cities worldwide] from the slide collections of the American Geographical Society Library." Harrison Forman and Harold Mayer took the photographs between 1942 and 1994. Subjects include city life, architecture, neighborhoods, transportation, and business districts. Searchable, or browsable by country or city. From the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Libraries. *LII* 

#### 21 Civil War Ballooning

Few people realize that President Abraham Lincoln convened an air force during the civil war. In fact, the 16th president of the United States authorized a small Union Army balloon corps which made thousands of reconnaissance flights in 1862 and 1863, making them the first aerial spies in U.S. history. The Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum website has all the details. Readers might like to start by reading the short introductory article and perusing the historical photographs. There is also a short video outlining the career of balloonist Thaddeus Lowe, who spearheaded the efforts, an interesting blog about Civil War ballooning, and an interactive online conference about Mr. Lincoln's Air Force. *I. S.* 

#### 22 CivilWar@Smithsonian

This website from the National Portrait Gallery presents "America's most profound national experience" through the Smithsonian Institute's extensive portrait collections. Readers who have a Flash plug-in will likely enjoy the opening movie, which features a jaunty civil war era tune played on penny whistle and snare, along with a series of telling portraits from the era. From the homepage, readers may then explore a helpful timeline, as well as galleries organized around people and places. For instance, selecting The Castle navigates readers to photographs and drawings of the red sandstone building that was the Smithsonian Institute at the beginning of the Civil War, with the unfinished capitol building in the distance. *I. S.* 

#### 23 Claudio Beagarie Photographs of California Farm Workers

When the United Farm Workers began striking for higher wages and better living conditions in the early 1960s, the inequities that Chicano and Latino workers faced were grim. They worked for subsistence wages, with no health care and no job security. Over a period of a decade, Cezar Chavez and other labor leaders garnered national support for the plight of working families in California, Texas, and other states, and won a number of legal and social victories. Part of the Albertsons Library Digital Collections at Boise State University, these photographs by photojournalist Claudio Beagarie document the struggle. Taken between 1965 and 1967, the black and white stills depict farm workers' and their families in their homes, in the fields, and marching with Cesar Chavez. The collection is searchable, browsable, and features many stirring images from this moment in the labor rights movement. *I. S.* 

# 24 Close to Home: A Handbook for Transportation-Efficient Growth in Small Communities and Rural Areas

According to this report by the Transportation Research Board, people living in small communities and rural areas spend a lot of time in their cars, as they "drive back and forth between their homes and work, shopping, school, appointments, and more." While many studies have been conducted on how land use affects daily driving in urban and suburban areas, very few similar investigations have been done on less urban areas. This report takes a look at three rural communities to see how car travel might be influenced by changes in employment, population, and land use patterns. The colorful PDF, replete with maps, graphs, and other images, is freely available for download, or readers may simply peruse it on the website. *I. S.* 

## 25 Commission on the Humanities and Social Sciences

This site from the Commission on the Humanities and Social Sciences offers tremendous advocacy resources for anyone who loves history, languages, the arts, and the social sciences. For those less familiar with the Commission's work, the homepage offers a 55-minute video of Karl Eikenberry's presentation at the 25th Anniversary Chicago Humanities Festival. The film provides a passionate argument for the humanities, featuring luminaries such as George Lucas, Yo Yo Ma, and Sandra Day O'Connor and is accompanied on the site by a freely available 70-page report arguing for the place of the humanities and social sciences in a 21st century democratic society. Perhaps most useful to educators are the Humanities Indicators. This comprehensive resource tracks the humanities through K-12 Education, Higher Education, the Workforce, Funding & Research, and Public Life. In the K-12 Education section, for example, readers will find National Measures of Achievement, such as Reading Performance of 9-year-Olds and SAT Writing Scores by Race/Ethnicity. *I. S.* 

## 26 Conservation of the Dred Scott Papers

Description of the conservation of papers from the case in which "Dred Scott petitioned the St. Louis Circuit Court for his freedom in April 1846." The case, which eventually went to the U.S. Supreme Court and was decided on March 6, 1857, "brought the country to the brink of civil war." Includes many images showing the conservation process. From the Archives division of the Missouri Secretary of State. *LII* 

#### 27 Consumers International

Website for this "global federation of consumer organisations dedicated to the protection and promotion of consumer's rights worldwide through empowering national consumer groups and campaigning at the international level." Features industry and regional reports, policy recommendations, and other material about consumer topics such as corporate social responsibility, food safety, World Consumer Rights Day (in March), and international standards. Some materials available in Spanish. *LII* 

## 28 Corsets and Crinoline

Series of illustrated essays on corsets and crinoline in fashion history. Discusses changes in body shape throughout the Victorian period ("from cage crinolines to bustles and body-hugging corsets"), crinolettes and the "healthy corsets" of the late 19th century, corsets in the early 20th century and in contemporary fashion, and related topics. From the Victoria and Albert Museum, London. *LII* 

#### 29 CyArk

CyArk is an international non-profit organization that is using new technologies to create a "free, 3D online library of the world's cultural heritage sites." Readers might like to begin by watching Ben Kacyra's TED Talk, which describes the organization's process of capturing ancient wonders with a groundbreaking 3D scanning system, and can be linked to from the homepage. Perhaps the most exciting section of the site can be found under Projects. Here, for instance, readers may examine a three dimensional digital model of the Eastern Qing Tombs, the 18th century imperial burial place of several important Qing and Ming Dynasty emperors, or take a digital tour of Mount Rushmore. In addition, the Education tab, with its 37 fully developed lesson plans, can be especially useful to teachers who are designing units around ancient archaeology or modern architecture. The site works best with Internet Explorer, however it is also compatible with browsers such as Chrome, Firefox, and Safari.

## 30 Daly City Earthquake of 1957

Website about this 5.3 magnitude earthquake that occurred on March 22, 1957, in Daly City, California. "Although only a moderate earthquake, it is still the largest earthquake to have been located on the San Francisco Peninsula since 1906." The site features a brief sound recording of the earthquake, and personal accounts of the quake. Includes links to related sites. From a graduate student who studied the quake. *LII* 

#### 31 Diary of Saad Eskander, Director of the Iraq National Library and Archive

This diary "starts in November 2006 and describes the perilous and tragic situation that the Iraq National Library and Archive [Baghdad] is operating under and which led to the institution's temporary closure at the end of that month." Browse monthly entries related to the damage the library sustained "[w]hen the Saddam regime was toppled in 2003, [and] the Iraq National Library and Archive in Baghdad was set alight and looted." From the British Library. *LII Archived* 

## 32 Digital Collections - Trinity College Dublin

Digital Collections at Trinity College Dublin provides visitors the opportunity to turn the pages of illuminated manuscripts from afar. For example, readers can view the Book of Kells, comprised of 680 pages hand written in Latin on vellum (calfskin), in a style called "insular majuscule." The book's dimensions are now approximately 12 x 10 inches - the pages were severely trimmed, and the edges gilded, when the Book of Kells was re-bound in the 19th century. Trinity's Digital Collections also maintains an active Facebook presence with regular This Day in History posts. Some recent examples include a cartoon in honor of Johnny Appleseed, "Print 162 of the Robinson Collection of Caricatures, The Irish Gentleman and his Apple Tree"; the score The Magic Harp, by Irish composer Ina Boyle; and, in honor of International Women's Day, a lecture from 1916: "Irish heroines: being a lecture written for and delivered before An Ard Craobh Cumann na mBan, Dublin, during the winter preceding Easter Week, 1916." *I. S.* 

## 33 Dot Carpenter: The Woman Behind the Man

This presentation focuses on the accomplishments of Dot Carpenter, wife of Delph Carpenter, Colorado lawyer and "Father of Interstate River Compacts." Brief illustrated essays describe her role as daughter, sister, classmate, wife, and mother, during her long life (1878-1980). From Colorado State University Libraries, Archives and Special Collections. *LII* 

## 34 Edutopia: Assessment

The Edutopia website aims to "look beyond high-stakes testing to learn about different ways of assessing the full range of student ability - social, emotional, and academic achievement." Readers may want to begin with the five articles that explain Edutopia's philosophy on assessment, which include an overview, a history, a look at what the experts say, a post about how we should measure student learning, and a look at the research that supports the implementation of assessment in the classroom. There is also a discussion section that readers may browse or even contribute to. In addition, there are numerous videos to watch and a host of articles that can be searched by newest, most viewed, and editor's picks. *I. S.* 

#### 35 Ethical Traveler

This site's "focus is on the positive impact travelers can have by being open, informed, and willing to immerse themselves in other cultures," and "is dedicated to educating travelers about the social and environmental impact of their decisions." The site features "Thirteen Tips for the Accidental Ambassador," country information, details about advocacy actions, and links to related sites. A project of Earth Island Institute, an organization founded by environmentalist David Brower. *LII* 

# Falklands 25

This site commemorates the 25th anniversary of "the Falklands Conflict, 2 April to 14 June 1982, [which] followed the invasion of the Falkland Islands by Argentina on 2 April 1982. It was a unique period in the history of Britain and Argentina and, although war was never formally declared, the brief conflict saw nearly 1,000 lives lost." Includes a brief history, timeline, photos, and more. From the UK Ministry of Defense. *LII* (Archived)

#### 37 Fashion at the V & A

Spanning four centuries, the V&A's Fashion collection is the largest and most comprehensive collection of dress in the world. Key items in the collection include rare 17th-century gowns, 18th-century 'mantua' dresses, 1930s eveningwear, 1960s daywear and post-war couture. Plus a growing number of pieces from 21st-century designers. *Website* 

## 38 | Federal Bureau of Investigation: Albert Einstein

Collection of 1,427 pages of documents relating to "an investigation ... conducted by the FBI regarding the famous physicist [Albert Einstein] because of his affiliation with the Communist Party. Einstein was a member, sponsor, or affiliated with thirty-four communist fronts between 1937 and 1954. He also served as honorary chairman for three communist organizations." From the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). *LII* 

#### 39 Football Films Collection

The Football Films Collection at the Northwestern University Library comprises hundreds of hours of worth of cinema, dating back to 1929. Many of those have now been digitized, and are available on the Library website. Readers might like to start with the brief video introduction on the homepage, in which curators speak about the collection and its importance both to Northwestern and to football lovers everywhere. From there, readers may browse at will. For instance, one might view the 25-minute clip from the 1937 contest between Northwestern and Michigan and then view the downloadable PDF of the program cover and roster. Clips from dozens of games from nearly every year between 1929 and 1986 are available for viewing. *I. S.* 

#### 40 GenealogyInTime Magazine

GeneologyInTime, an online Canadian genealogy magazine, has a lot to offer readers who are fascinated by the history of families - whether their own, those of notable figures, or others. Articles on the site cover such topics as how to scan old photos for genealogy research, the top 100 genealogy sites of 2015, and a feature on why immigrants change their names. Readers can peruse the latest genealogy records around the world in the Records area, or explore the News section for the latest in genealogy studies. The Genealogy Search Engine is another great feature on the site, allowing readers to search 3.6 billion records from thousands of sites around the web. *I. S.* 

## 41 Girl Scout History

History of the Girl Scouts of the USA, which was founded in 1912 by Juliette Gordon Low. Features a biography of Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low, an illustrated timeline, links to museum exhibits (such as the history of Girl Scout uniforms and Girl Scout cookies), and a "This Month in Girl Scout History" feature. From the official website of the Girl Scouts of the USA. *LII* 

#### 42 Global Integrity

This organization provides "information on corruption and governance" for countries around the world. The site features the "Global Integrity Report," a "collection of original, in-depth national assessments combining journalistic reporting with 292 'Integrity Indicators' analyzing openness, governance, and anti-corruption mechanisms for a diverse collection of countries." Also includes individual country reports, links to news, and related material. *LII* 

## 43 Growing Up in the Wine Industry

Transcript and audio of a 2006 radio interview with E.&J. Gallo Winery president Joseph Gallo "about learning the family business from Ernest and Julio, and passing it on." Also includes a brief history of this California winery, which "has earned a reputation for being a pioneer and tastemaker, from being the first company to introduce screw-cap bottles in the 1940s to being one of the first wine producers to advertise." From American Public Media. *LII* 

#### 44 Houdini

Companion website to a documentary about Harry Houdini (Ehrich Weiss), who has been called "the world's greatest escape artist." Features escape techniques (for ropes, straitjacket, and more), film clips, timeline, a poster gallery, and profiles of people and events. Includes related reading and links (some broken) and a teacher's guide. *LII* 

#### 45 How Housing Matters

Over the past seven years, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation has invested \$25 million in grants to support research into how access to quality, affordable housing affects families and communities. How Housing Matters, an online resource from the MacArthur Foundation and the Urban Land Institute, was created in 2014 to make that research available to the general public. The site provides data-driven suggestions from the opening page. For instance, research has shown that reducing childhood moves, increasing access to economically diverse schools, and lowering rents so that families can invest on enrichment can all improve education outcomes. The meat of the page, however, lies in the Featured Content section, which is searchable by a dozen categories, including Community Profile, Expert Q&A, Research Brief, and by date. *I. S.* 

46	Ides of March Marked Murder of Julius Caesar  This article describes how "Julius Caesar's bloody assassination on March 15, 44  B.C., forever marked March 15, or the Ides of March, as a day of infamy. It has fascinated scholars and writers [including Shakespeare] ever since." A sidebar provides information about the Roman calendar. Includes links to related sites. From National Geographic News. <i>LII</i>
47	Inside Cancer: Multimedia Guide to Cancer Biology  This interactive introduction to cancer biology contains four sections: hallmarks of cancer, causes and prevention, diagnosis and treatment, and pathways to cancer (cancer cells). Includes brief audio and video clips of scientists studying cancer, a world map showing cancer distribution, and a glossary. The site design and features make this complex subject very accessible to the layperson. Produced by the Dolan DNA Learning Center at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. LII
48	Institute for Women's Policy Research  The Institute for Women's Policy Research conducts rigorous research and disseminates its findings to address the needs of women, promote public dialog, and strengthen families, communities, and societies. IWPR works with policymakers, scholars, and public interest groups to design, execute, and disseminate research that illuminates economic and social policy issues affecting women and families and to build a network of individuals and organizations that conduct and use women-oriented policy research.  It is the leading think tank in the United States focusing on the quantitative and qualitative analysis of public policy through a gendered lens. Founded in 1987, IWPR's reports and other informational resources have informed policies and programs across the country and internationally, in each of its key program areas. Website
49	International Journal of Baudrillard Studies  Website for this "transdisciplinary publication dedicated to engaging the thought and writing of Jean Baudrillard," who died in March 2007. Features articles about the writings of this philosopher and sociologist who is often associated with French postmodern theory. Archives of this biannual publication go back to 2004. Based at Bishop's University, Canada. <i>LII</i>
50	International Earth Day  Website for this version of Earth Day, as celebrated on the spring equinox in March. (Earth Day is generally observed in April.) Features background of this day that was initiated "on March 21, 1970. The first Proclamation of Earth Day was by San Francisco, the City of Saint Francis, patron saint of ecology." Includes an Earth Day charter and guide for earth trustees by Earth Day founder John McConnell, and related material. <i>LII</i>

## 51 <u>International Decade for Action: Water for Life, 2005-2015</u>

"The United Nations General Assembly, in December 2003, proclaimed the years 2005 to 2015 as the International Decade for Action 'Water for Life." This website provides background and news about activities related to this proclamation (including World Water Day, occurring annually on March 22) and reference material on water-related issues such as scarcity, sanitation, and pollution. From the United Nations (UN). *LII* 

## 52 James Beard Foundation Blog

The James Beard Foundation functions as a hot bed for foodies. It hosts awards, organizes dinners with selected chefs, publishes industry publications like JBF Events, and, since March 2009, the foundation has hosted a blog that focuses on food in all its facets. Recent entries have offered up a coconut brownie recipe and linked to the Reel Food Media Contest, which highlights sustainable and ethical farming practices. The blog is updated daily. The archives, which include thousands of entries, are easily searchable by date, or by categories such as Ask a Chef, Drinks, Recipes, and Staff Picks.

## 53 Josephine Baker: Image and Icon

"In celebration of the 100th anniversary of Baker's birth [in 1906], the exhibition explores the development of her image, first as an exotic phenomenon in a mid-1920s Paris that was infatuated with African-American culture, then as a glamorous cabaret star and finally as a Civil Rights advocate." This slideshow features images of Baker accompanied by audio of the "Jubilee Stomp" by Duke Ellington. From the National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian Institution. *LII* 

## 54 Laughing Squid

Laughing Squid, which was founded in San Francisco in 1995 as a film and video production company, has been an award-winning arts, culture, and technology blog since 2003. Readers may look to this offbeat weblog for what's breaking these days in music, painting, sculpture, comics, and culture. With a backlog of around 4,000 posts, this is one of the deepest blogs on the web, and since it often updates within minutes, the landscape of Laughing Squid is always inextricably in motion. Many posts feature videos of artists and their work, such as a recent post about U-Ram Choe's "Gorgeous Metal Insect Sculptures That Glow and Flap Their Wings." Readers can subscribe to receive a daily email update on the blog posts published each day, or follow the Laughing Squid on a variety of social media platforms, including Twitter, Facebook, and Pinterest. *I. S.* 

## 55 Looking at Appalachia

As Roger May, the founder and curator of Looking at Appalachia, notes, Appalachia has often been associated exclusively - and unfairly - with poverty. This project, founded 50 years after Lyndon Johnson's "war on poverty" unwittingly helped create such stereotypes, seeks to set the record straight by snapping pictures of the people and places of the region in all their complexity. Readers may like to start by reading the excellent Overview of this crowd-sourced internet project. In addition, the tab Defining Appalachia provides a complete map of the stretch of country from Mississippi to New York that defines the region. From there, readers may explore the beautiful, often haunting, portraits that make up the site by clicking from state to state. *I. S.* 

## Magna Carta: Law, Liberty, Legacy

Foundation of democracy or rallying cry for modern rights? One of the world's most famous documents, Magna Carta has inspired some of today's fundamental liberties. Yet it started as a practical solution to a political crisis 800 years ago.

Since 1215, Magna Carta has evolved from a political agreement to an international symbol of freedom. Uncover the story of how its power has been used – and abused – from its genesis through to today's popular culture, in the largest exhibition ever staged about this world-famous document (Website)

See also: <a href="http://www.bl.uk/magna-carta">http://www.bl.uk/magna-carta</a>

## 57 Make the Dirt Fly!

Illustrated presentation about the building of the Panama Canal by French and American interests. Includes background about the Suez Canal built by the French (joining the Mediterranean and Red Seas, finished in 1869), selection of the canal route, workers and tropical diseases (such yellow fever, carried by mosquitoes), and civil and structural engineering issues. Includes photos, maps, and related documents about this canal first used in 1914. From the Smithsonian Institution Libraries. *LII* 

#### 58 Map: The Most Common Job in Every State

This fascinating infographic from NPR's Planet Money blog traces "the common job" in each state from 1978 to 2014. What emerges is a story of changing economic, demographic, and technological constellations over a period of 36-years. Readers will notice that several themes stand out. First, there are a lot of truck drivers. This is partially due to a very inclusive census category. But it's also true that truck drivers can't be downsized or outsourced. Second, manufacturing jobs disappeared from the list in the 1980s. Third, secretaries were likely put out of business by the personal computer. This snappy presentation of complex information will light up readers who love a good dose of well-presented data. *I. S.* 

## 59 Margaret Herrick Library: Academy Awards Collection

Now that the 2014 Oscars have been awarded, indulge your inner archivist with the Margaret Herrick Library Academy Awards Collection. The Margaret Herrick Library is the library facility for the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, and most of its collections are non-circulating, requiring a trip to Beverly Hills. However, its digital collections can be browsed from the comfort of your home computer. The Academy Awards digital collection contains a complete set of awards ceremony programs, posters, and rule books, dating back to the very first awards ceremony on May 16, 1929. There are also over 600 photographs, dating 1927 - 2012, and other assorted artifacts, such as menus, invitations, and tickets. Select the photos to see a host of luminaries posing with their statuettes, including Walt Disney, who received a Special Award for the creation of Mickey Mouse in 1932; Julie Andrews, who won Best Actress in 1964 for Mary Poppins; Francis Ford Coppola, when the Godfather II won for Directing, Best Picture, Writing, and Original Dramatic Score in 1974; and Kathryn Bigelow, when the Hurt Locker won Directing and Best Picture in 2009. *I. S.* 

## 60 Mission San Juan Capistrano

Official website for this California mission, which was the "seventh mission founded [on] November 1, 1776, the Feast of All Saints, by Fr. Junipero Serra." Features history, photos, a mission map and guide, and details about the "Return of the Swallows" celebration that takes place on March 19 (St. Joseph's Day) each year. Also includes a calendar of events, details about preservation, and related material. *LII* 

## 61 Name Game: The Folly in the Attempt to Define "African-American"

This September 2004 article discusses "a recent version of ... [the racial identity debate that] involves immigrants from Africa or the Caribbean and whether they are 'African-Americans." Includes a consideration of the racial identity of politician Barack Obama, the son of a Kenyan immigrant to the U.S. From the online magazine Slate. *LII* 

## 62 National Center for Transgender Equality

There has been increasing media coverage of transgender individuals in the past several years. However, most people are still relatively unfamiliar with the issues that affect those citizens who identify as a different gender than the one to which they were assigned at birth. This site, hosted by the National Center for Transgender Equality, has a good deal of information about the trans community. Readers may like to start with the About Transgender People section, which provides an overview of Transgender Terminology, some FAQs About Trans People, a section on Statistics, and Jaan's Story, a moving essay about a transgender couple. Readers who would like to be more involved in the trans rights movement may also view 52 Things You Can Do for Trans Equality. Published in 2005, there is still a lot of useful information in this downloadable PDF poster, and is just one of many other opportunities for political action presented on the page. *I. S.* 

## 63 National Endowment for the Humanities Newsroom

For readers who want to stay up to date on what's happening in the humanities, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Newsroom is a welcome site. Covered by the Scout Report almost fifteen years ago, there is much to enjoy here. The site can be searched by press releases, which include coverage of such topics as the Obama administration's recent \$147.9 million request for humanities funding for 2016. In addition, NEH in the News provides links to news reports from around the web, including recent write ups about Clement Alexander Price, 1945-2014 and Humanities on Campus. The site also links to NEH's beautiful Humanities Magazine, which can be easily viewed online. *I. S.* 

## 64 National Park Service: African American Heritage

This website from the National Park Service doesn't limit its celebration of African American Heritage to the month of February: the resources provided here are available all year round. Thematic sections (Stories, People, Places, Collections, and Preservation) make the site easy to scout, with each section featuring fascinating resources related to slavery, the civil rights movement, and the lives of historical figures previously overlooked in history books. For instance, site visitors can learn about York, an enslaved man whose life story has ben pieced together from the journals and letters of Lewis and Clark as he served the expedition on its 28-month journey across the wilderness. Educators may be especially drawn to the lesson plans, which can be linked to from the homepage. *I. S.* 

#### 65 Natural Start Alliance

While the Natural Start Alliance is primarily an advocacy group for getting kids outdoors, there are a number of interesting resources on the group's website. Readers may like to start by perusing the Bright Ideas section, which recently displayed an article on the No Child Left Inside legislation recently introduced to the House of Representatives with bipartisan support. There is also a section for feature stories, highlighting projects that resonate with the organization's ideals. Readers looking for in depth information should check out the Research tab for access to the International Journal of Early Childhood Environmental Education, a peer-reviewed, open-access journal. *I. S.* 

#### 66 Nature's Bounty: Quilts and More

Companion website to a past exhibit featuring quilts and other textiles that reflect nature. Features examples of textiles depicting flowers, birds, and other nature images. Also includes classroom materials and links to related sites. From the Kentucky Library and Museum, Western Kentucky University *LII (Archived)* 

#### 67 Nova Next

NOVA, the Public Broadcasting Service's 40-year old science show, has broadcast nearly 800 episodes, won dozens of awards, and covered everything from elementary particles to the eruption of Mount St. Helens. NOVA Next is the show's online supplement, brought to viewers by WGBH. It focuses its journalistic energies on the cutting edge of science and technology. Recent articles have included a controversial theory of brain disease, an exploration of the EPA's relationship to natural gas, and some good news for coral reefs. In addition to the fascinating articles, the site's Storylines feature gathers bylines into convenient, searchable categories like Mind Over Matter and Planet Zoo. *I. S.* 

#### 68 One Earth Sangha

One Earth Sangha seeks to galvanize a Buddhist response to climate change by raising awareness of the science, providing an interactive space where teachers and community members can discuss the issues, and creating opportunities for focused action. Readers who are sympathetic to this perspective can find much to engage on the web site. Five conversations with Buddhist teachers are available in the conversation archive. Articles cover topics such as emotional resilience and reports on climate action. Perhaps the most informative part of the site, however, is found in Resources on Dharma and Climate, where readers may peruse dozens of resources on climate change with both Buddhist and Interfaith responses. *I. S.* 

#### 69 One Tab

Here at Scout we work with a lot of open tabs - sites to annotate, reviews of those sites, various searches, historical references, all while answering emails, updating social media, and looking for the latest news stories. So sometimes the proliferation of open tabs can be a little overwhelming. One Tab is designed to address this problem with an elegant trick. When the reader finds too many tabs are open, she can click the One Tab icon to convert all open tabs to a simple savable list. In addition to simplifying screen clutter, this saves up to 95% of memory by reducing the number of open tabs, which can speed up a computer that has been bogged down. The One Tab add-on is available for both Google Chrome and Firefox, and can be installed within a matter of seconds. For readers who constantly multitask on the Internet, the service offers a welcome respite from the glut of information through which most of us swim. *I. S.* 

## 70 Peace Corps: Passport Blog

The Peace Corps Passport Blog offers a window into many worlds. Peace Corps volunteers, staff members, and members from service countries pen fascinating, inspiring, and sometimes troubling stories about their service in countries around the globe. The blog is organized by categories (After Service, Agency News, etc.) and tags (Africa, Education, Community Innovation, etc.), so it's easy for readers to find the topics that most interest them. For instance, selecting the Entrepreneurship tag navigates to an article about textiles, written by a Liberian woman who helped found a small company with the help of a Peace Corps volunteer. *I. S.* 

## 71 poetic.io

poetic.io is a simple and secure way to transfer files. Sign up just requires an email address. From there, users may drag and drop files as large as 3GB to the poetic.io page, enter destination emails, and then send. (To put this in perspective: the average full-length movie is about 1GB.) Besides speed and efficiency for large file movement, the site also provides basic security, so that readers know only their recipients will receive the data. The site is free and accessible from any computer with an Internet connection, and can be a welcome tool for teachers who need to share data with students and each other, co-workers who are working on data-heavy projects, and others who share large data files (video, graphics, photos) in their work and play. *I. S.* 

#### 72 Presidential Oral History

The Miller Center at the University of Virginia has "systematically and comprehensively debriefed" dozens of important figures from the administrations of Presidents Carter, Reagan, George H.W. Bush, and Clinton. In addition, they are currently building up archives for George W. Bush's presidency, and have gathered many more interviews from key players in the presidencies of Herbert Hoover and Lyndon B. Johnson. Transcripts, audio recordings, and sometimes videos of these interviews are available on the website, and it makes for fascinating reading. For instance, an interview with William Harrman, who served as security at President Hoover's rural camp, gives insight not only into Hoover himself, but into how politics was done during the Great Depression *I. S.* 

# Primary Sources in the Women's Movement, 1960 to Present: The "Second Wave" and Beyond

This site provides a forum "that brings together feminist thinkers, scholars and activists, to analyze compelling questions about feminist activism and theories, define new directions for historical research on this period, and provide a new venue for publishing traditional articles." It features links to chronologies, oral histories, images of documents, book reviews, bibliographies, and teaching material. Also includes links to related sites. From Alexander Street Press. *LII* (Archived)

#### 74 | Ouilts

Companion website to television documentaries on quilting, including "The Art of Quilting" (visiting quilt exhibitions and artist studios), "A Century of Quilts" (a search to find the most acclaimed American quilts of the 20th century), and "America Quilts" (exploring quilts and their stories). Features interviews, images, classroom materials, and other resources on quilting. From Wisconsin Public Television. *LII* 

## 75 Quirks & Quarks with Bob McDonald

Quirks & Quarks, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's bi-weekly mashup of the world's cutting edge science, has been around for almost 40 years. Nearly 800,000 Canadians tune in to listen to the show's reports on self driving cars, artificial intelligence, space comets, snake fossils, and myriad other topics. For those of us who don't live in Canada, the Quirks & Quarks website is packed with fascinating tidbits. Readers may like to start with the podcasts themselves where they can listen to hour-long episodes, or click on individual segments of approximately ten minutes. In addition, Bob McDonald's Blog contains some of the most entertaining science writing on the web, containing pieces about astronauts in space, beer's relationship to volcanoes, and other interesting topics. *I. S.* 

#### 76 | Scientia Salon

Scientia Salon is "an online magazine that looks like a blog." While this description might strike some as odd, it captures the atmosphere of the site, which is dedicated to discussions of philosophy and the natural and social sciences, quite well. Perhaps the greatest talent of founder and editor Guiseppe Arcimboldo, is his ability to draw on brilliant minds from academia and the public sphere and engage them in meaningful ways. Recently, a phalanx of articles has taken on the topic of free will. Other entries have tackled the moral basis of capitalism and several discussions of atheism, religious tolerance, and evolutionary theory. *I. S.* 

#### 77 Scots Across America

Website celebrating contributions of Scottish-Americans and posting material about them, and events celebrating or featuring information about Scotland. Successor site to Tartan Week.

#### 78 Sing Out!

Sing Out!, the nonprofit organization and magazine that sprouted from the progressive folk scene in the early 1950s, seeks to "preserve and support the cultural diversity and heritage of all traditional and contemporary folk musics, and to encourage making folk music a part of our everyday lives." While the magazine requires a subscription, there is much on the website that may be accessed free of charge. After scouting the homepage, readers may like to check out the News, Reviews, & More tab, where they can access reviews of recently released folk and Americana albums, peruse columns and blogs, and participate in the discussion forums. The Folk Song Index, a collaborative project with Oberlin College Libraries, is another great feature on this site. Users can Search the database by Title, Composer, or First line of verse, or browse already compiled Anthologies, such as "Folk Songs and Ballads of Scotland." *I. S.* 

## 79 Skeptical Science: Getting skeptical about global warming skepticism

This website gets serious about addressing climate change skepticism. Using only peer-reviewed research, John Cook, the Climate Communication Fellow at the University of Queensland, Australia, takes the time to seriously consider the doubts that people might have about the state of the earth's climate. Readers might like to start with the sidebar that addresses the ten most common climate myths, including the idea that the climate has changed before, that warming is due to the sun, that climate change isn't bad, that there is no scientific consensus, that the earth is actually cooling, and five others. The site also offers a variety of interesting tabs to explore, including an excellent Resources page. *I. S.* 

## 80 St. Patrick's Day

Information about this March 17 holiday celebrated in honor of the patron saint of Ireland. Features background about St. Patrick, a listing of parades and events throughout the world, a listing of Irish pubs, and an Irish quiz. Also includes links to Irish toasts and Irish slang. Some material is only available to members. From IrishAbroad. *LII* 

## 81 State House Women's Leadership Project

The State House Women's Leadership Project offers readers a look into the contributions women have made to the state of Massachusetts, and beyond. The exhibit includes a work of art that honors six women, including the educator, Dorothea Dix, and the suffragist and anti-slavery activist, Lucy Stone. On the site, readers may navigate a virtual tour, learn more about the women who are being honored, and read about the dramatic representation of Lucy Stone that has been performed around the state. Educators will find much to appreciate under the Resources and Curriculum sections, with a teacher's guide, resource guide, and primary source documents located under the latter. *I. S.* 

#### 82 TED Talks: How schools kill creativity

Are schools killing creativity? That's the controversial claim that creativity expert Ken Robinson makes in this wildly popular TED talk, which has been viewed over 31 million times. Originally filmed in 2006, the thrust of Robinson's argument is that in school we train our children to get right answers. But getting right answers is not the fountainhead of creativity. Creativity, according to Robinson, comes from the simple courage to be wrong. Building on that, he takes on the very fabric of public education as it is designed all over the world, calling it narrow and restrictive. He lays out three facets of intelligence, and then calls for an overhaul to meet the demands of the 21st century, which, he believes, will require a great deal of creativity. From educators who are dedicated to sparking creativity in their students, to professionals looking for new ways to think and create, this classic TED talk is still groundbreaking nearly ten years after its premier. *I. S.* 

## 83 The Zodiac Killer

Background about the Zodiac Killer, "one of the great unsolved serial killer mysteries of all time. ... This October, 1966 killing began a ghoulish series of murders that panicked the people of the San Francisco area. For years the Zodiac taunted the police with weird ciphers, phone calls, insulting and cryptic messages." Includes example of cryptograms, discussions of evidence and the case against Arthur Allen (a suspect), and more. From CourtTV. *LII* 

#### 84 The Muse

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The Muse is a popular student newspaper that has been published at Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland since 1950. In addition to the 10,000 print copies the paper distributes every week, the periodical also hosts an excellent website. Recent stories have covered happenings at the university, an op-ed concerning misconceptions about Muslims, and an article about the supreme court of Canada's recent ruling on euthanasia. The site also features a number of blogs, ("Impressions of a French girl in Newfoundland" is a Scout favorite), reviews of albums, books, movies, and video games, a humor section and a lifestyle section. In all, this is a prime example of the college newspaper at its finest. *I. S.* 

#### 85 The Whitney Plantation

The Whitney Plantation website may be the most informative - and the most disturbing - website about slavery on the Internet. Opened to the public in 2014, the Whitney Plantation is the only plantation museum in the state of Louisiana dedicated to telling the story of slavery. Readers may wish to start with the History tab, which describes the founding and expansion of the plantation, from 1721 onward. The gorgeous Photo Gallery offers readers a visual representation of the plantation's many buildings, including a Spanish Creole mansion, a church, and various shacks and outbuildings. The meat of the site, however, lies in the tab titled Learn. Here, readers are confronted with the hard truth of slavery, told through short articles sorted into three categories: the Slave Population, the Owners, and Historic Buildings and Memorials. From there, the content covers such topics as Resistance, Slavery in Louisiana, the Atlantic Slave Trade, and the Big House and Outbuildings. *I. S.* 

#### The Library of Congress: Women's History Month

Compilation of Library of Congress materials for Women's History Month (March). Features biographies, audio clips, images, classroom materials, and links to relevant collections and exhibits. From the Library of Congress. *LII* 

#### The Nobel Prize in Literature 1982: Gabriel García Márquez

Background about this Colombian author who won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1982, and who is known for works such as "Love in the Time of Cholera" and "One Hundred Years of Solitude." Features a biography, bibliography, and text of his Nobel lecture. Some material available in Spanish. (Nobel banquet speech only available in Spanish.) From the Nobel Foundation.

## 88 The Open Utopia

"Does the world really need another edition of Thomas More's Utopia?" asks Stephen Duncombe, the editor of The Open Utopia. After all, Utopia has been in print almost continuously since first published in 1516 and available in digital version since 2012. The Open Utopia joins a community of other freely available online editions, such as the Gutenberg Project version, Oregon State University, or the Literature Project to name a few. Duncombe argues that what makes The Open Utopia different is its very openness - "open to read, open to copying, open to modification." This means that The Open Utopia provides the total social reading experience - Duncombe has included links to scholarship on Utopia, various editions, analysis, letters, translations and illustrations. The Open Utopia makes the full text available for download in a variety of formats for a variety of devices. Readers can also add their own annotations and comments, using Social Book software developed for social reading, piloted by The Open Utopia. Social Book works best with Google Chrome or Safari browsers. *I. S.* 

## 89 The Salt March

This site was established to commemorate the 75th anniversary (in 2005) of the 1930 Salt March in which Mohandas K. Gandhi and marchers walked 241 miles in 24 days to a place to make salt to protest against the British salt tax in Colonial India. Features photos, video clips, and facts about the march. Also includes material about the 2005 march reenactment. From the Mahatma Gandhi Foundation, founded by a great-grandson of Gandhi. *LII (Archived)* 

## 90 The Days of Holy Week

This site describes the history behind important religious days occurring in the week prior to Easter (the last week of Lent): Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Also includes details about how these days are currently observed in different types of Christian churches. From "a global and ecumenical ministry dedicated to providing biblical and theological resources for growing Christians." *LII* 

# 91 The Great Kanto Earthquake of 1923: Materials from the Dana and Vera Reynolds Collection

Collection of images of the destruction caused by the Great Kanto Earthquake of 1923 in Japan. The collection "includes some of the earliest photographs of the destruction taken by Americans, and consists of over 100 original photographs taken in Yokohama, Kyoto, Shanghai, and Hawaii, as well as many photographs purchased in Japan that document the devastation." Browsable by theme and object type. Includes historical essays and newspaper accounts. From Brown University Library. *LII* 

## 92 The Black Towns Project

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Many have viewed these communities as failed experiments or insignificant in the larger picture of African American migration or U.S. history in general. However, the industrious people who founded self-segregated, autonomous towns across the United States used migration and town-building to resist racial oppression throughout all eras of American history. Black activists and dissidents, since the Colonial Era, participated in town-building efforts to craft a legacy that continues to thrive today. After the failure of Reconstruction in 1877, these towns became part of a formal social movement to ensure safety and provide opportunities for black and multiracial families. In addition, self-segregation proved to be an effective, albeit short-term method of resistance to oppression. Former slaves, freed-people, and especially African American southerners responded to racist conditions in varied ways that were often defined by the resources available to them. Through these alternative means of resistance, black town residents were able to assert their own ideas of race and southern traditions and contribute to the industrialization and urbanization of the United States. (Website)

#### Time to end extreme inequality: Oxfam International

Oxfam made headlines when it released this report in October 2014. According to the anti-poverty confederation, the world's eighty richest individuals now own more of the planet's wealth than the billions of people who make up the world's poorest half. In addition, the wealthiest one percent of the world's population now control about 48 percent of international wealth. And, if the Oxfam predictions are correct, inequality will only continue growing. While some of the figures have been challenged, nearly everyone agrees that, as Winnie Byanyima, the executive director of Oxfam International said in a press release attached to the report, "The scale of global inequality is simply staggering." The 142-page report, replete with photographs and stories from those living in poverty, as well as endorsements from former secretary general of the UN and a Nobel Prize-winning economist, is viewable online and downloadable as a free PDF. *I. S.* 

## 94 Timothy McSweeney's Internet Tendency

Founded by award-winning author Dave Eggers, McSweeney's Publishing has been putting out offbeat books, magazines, and websites since 1998. Since October 2014 it has also been a nonprofit. Timothy McSweeney's Internet Tendency is the group's daily-updated humor and literature site. The homepage divides posts into five categories: Today's Feature, Recently, Also New, Popular, and Columns. Each article is curated with the playful postmodernism and "new sincerity" that has made Dave Eggers and the McSweeney's community beloved to millions. Recent articles have satirized natural birth techniques, gender inequities, and a column in which Joni Mitchell applies for a tenure track position in a philosophy department. There is much to enjoy on this quirky, brilliant site. *I. S.* 

## 95 <u>Today in History</u>

Featured Material from the Library of Congress *American Memory* website. The material will be related to an event or person significant to the date. For example the March 5 entry for Today in History is the Boston Massacre. The pages are also available <u>archived</u>. Copious links to related materials on each page. *MRHS* 

#### 96 Treehugger

Treehugger lists itself as a media outlet "dedicated to driving sustainability mainstream." It runs an attractive Huffington Post-style interface of articles, videos, blog posts, and weekly and daily newsletters. On the homepage, readers may scout the latest stories as they are posted. The site also lists the ten most popular stories and includes a section where editor's picks are featured. For those who would like to search by subject, articles on the site are also divided into the categories of design, technology, transportation, science, business, living, energy, slideshows, and social. For readers who are looking for a savvy, fun-loving approach to environmental sustainability in all its many forms, Treehugger is a welcome resource. *I. S.* 

#### 97 U.S. Nuclear Plants in the 21st Century: The Risk of a Lifetime

Executive summary and full text of a 2004 report that discusses the safety of nuclear power plants "during the three stages of plant lifetime: the break-in phase, middle life phase, and wear-out phase." The report notes that several nuclear plant disasters, including Three Mile Island and Chernobyl, have occurred during the "break-in" phase when there have been "unexpected safety problems." Also considers the need for continued regulation. From the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS). *LII Archived* 

#### 98 Urban Sketchers

Urban Sketchers, a nonprofit organization based in Washington State, is designed to support a global community of sketchers - that is, people who draw on location, whether at home or traveling, whether drawing with pencil, with tablet, or with other technologies. It aims, quite simply, to "show the world, one drawing at a time." On the site, readers may be interested to read the About and FAQ tabs, which clearly outline the organization's mission. The map is also fascinating, as it shows the locations of various sketchers around the world. The most intriguing aspect of the site, however, might be the blog, which features articles, interviews with artists, and, most importantly, the drawings that sketchers have made of everything from the Singapore skyline to the residential houses of San Clemente, California. *I. S.* 

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## 100 World Health Organization: Tuberculosis (TB)

Background and updates about tuberculosis (TB), which is "primarily an illness of the respiratory system, and is spread by coughing and sneezing. Each year about 1.6 million people die from this curable disease." Provides data about TB in specific countries, news about World Health Organization (WHO) activities related to TB, fact sheets, reports, and more. From WHO. *LII*