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Coming Soon: The New Quad-LINC Library Catalog!

It's new, it's improved and it's coming soon to a library near you – it's the new Quad-LINC Library Catalog!

Quad-LINC (Quad-Cities Libraries in Cooperation) is a consortium of 30 area libraries in the greater Quad-Cities area, Muscatine and Clinton. The Quad-LINC libraries have contracted with Sirsi, Inc., a leader in the library automation industry, for a new system which is expected to “go live” in March 2004. The new online library catalog will have a number of new features including book jacket art, book reviews, summaries, and biographical information about the author. Best seller lists and recommended reading lists will also be available.

In addition, users will be able to set up their own “My Library” account to store favorite searches, view account information, place and cancel holds on library materials, renew materials and receive an email when a new book has been purchased in an area of interest.

Searching will also be enhanced with an easy-to-use interface and more advanced searching capabilities to allow users to narrow to a particular type of library material (e.g., book on tape), to a certain reading level (e.g., young adult books only), or to materials only in a certain library or group of libraries. It will also be possible to link from the Quad-LINC online library catalog directly to other online library catalogs and other web resources. And, there will be a Spanish language version of the catalog available for use.

The new Quad-LINC system would not be possible without the support of the following generous donors: Bechtel Trust, Moline Foundation, Quad-LINC Libraries, Riverboat Development Authority, and Scott County Regional Authority.

September is Library Card Sign-up Month. If you don't already have a library card, visit your library this month to get one so you'll be ready to use the new Quad-LINC catalog when it is available next March. And, watch for more updates about the new system at a library near you!

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Quad-LINC Libraries:

Bettendorf Public Library
Black Hawk College Library
Clinton Community College
Colona Grade School
Robert R. Jones Library, Coal Valley
Cordova District Library
Davenport Public Library
Deere & Company Library
East Moline Correctional Center
East Moline Public Library
The Franciscan University
Geneseo Public Library District
Hampton Elementary School
Henry C. Adams Library, Prophetstown
Kaplan College
Moline Public Library
Muscatine Community College
Musser Public Library, Muscatine
River Bend Library System
River Valley District Library, Port Byron
Rock Island Public Library
St. Ambrose University
Scott Community College
Scott County Library System
Silvis Public Library
Trinity Medical Center
Twin Rivers District Library, Colona
United Township High School
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Technical Library
Western District Library, Orion