Starting fall semester 2016, everyone will be able to print objects on one of four new 3D printers located in the Copy Shop on the first floor of Memorial Library. The printers are part of a cooperative project between Library Services, ITS, the Copy Shop, and MNCEME (Minnesota Center for Engineering and Manufacturing Excellence). Stay tuned for more information! If you have questions, contact Heidi Southworth at heidi.southworth@mnsu.edu.

FALL 2016 COMMON READ BOOK DISCUSSIONS

In fall 2016, Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning (CETL), Library Services, and the Common Read Committee are hosting a two-part book discussion on the 2016-2017 Common Read book, *When the Emperor Was Divine* by Julie Otsuka. The first session will concentrate on the book’s themes and the second session will discuss how instructors can integrate the book into courses. Copies of the book will be available to the first five registrants. Additional copies are available for checkout through the Library.

**Session 1:** Friday, August 26 from 10:00-11:30 A.M.
**Session 2:** Friday, September 23 from 10:00-11:30 A.M.

**NEW for FYE Instructors!** In addition to the two-part book discussion, we will also hold a session tailored to First Year Experience instructors. Join us to discuss how to connect first year students to the Common Read through activities, events, and other creative endeavors.

**First Year Experience Session:** Friday, September 2 from 10:00-11:30 A.M.

To join any or all of the discussions, contact Mary Van Duynhoven at mary.van-duynhoven@mnsu.edu.
MEET THE AUTHOR: DAVID OPPEGAARD

On February 15, 2016, local author David Oppegaard discussed his new book, *The Firebug of Balrog County* with students at Mankato East High School. The event was sponsored by Minnesota State University, Mankato’s Library Services and the English Department in partnership with Mankato East High School, Library Media Center. *The Firebug of Balrog County* has been named as a finalist for this year’s Minnesota Book Award.

To watch the video go to: [https://link.mnsu.edu/7nw](https://link.mnsu.edu/7nw). The discussion will start at 20 minutes into the recording.

TEAM K9 – FUNDRAISING CHAMPIONS FOR BENCHS

They did it again! On March 6, with participation from Library Services, Team K9 took first place at the Pins for Paws annual Blue Earth Nicollet County Humane Society fundraising event. This year the group raised an impressive $1,643. Not only are the K9s fabulous fundraisers, they also went home with first place in the bowling tournament. But in the Pins for Paws tournament everyone wins, especially our local four-legged friends.

MANKATO CLINIC FILM SHOWING

As part of its 100th year anniversary celebration as a local health care provider, the Mankato Clinic partnered with Library Services at Minnesota State Mankato to show the movie, *Fully Charged*. The free event was part of Mankato Clinic’s Thrive campaign and took place in Ostrander Auditorium on March 22, 2016. The documentary film is based on Tom Rath’s book, *Eat Move Sleep* and it focused on individuals who have transformed their lives by making healthier choices.
The 2016 Sustainability Expo took place on Sunday March 20, 2016 in the Centennial Student Union Ballroom. The event was sponsored by the Environmental Committee and Library Services at Minnesota State Mankato, Transition Mankato, and the Center for Earth Spirituality and Rural Ministry. The 2016 Expo’s theme was Sustainable Food and was held in connection with the Minnesota State Mankato’s Common Read program. There were 27 community and business organizations who participated with information tables. Visitors to the event could select from twelve different programs to attend. Programs included topics like “Building Regional Food Systems” presented by Jim Gerhke, Director of Entrepreneurial Development & Communications for the Minnesota Community Action Partnership and “Food Security and Food Sovereignty: Lessons from India” offered by Jim Dontje, Director of the Johnson Center for Environmental Innovation at Gustavus Adolphus College.
On Thursday, April 7, 2016, Library Services held the 6th Minnesota State University, Mankato Authors reception for faculty, staff, and emeriti who have published books and other monographs from March 2014 - March 2016. We honored 23 faculty and emeriti for their publications at this year’s event. For more details visit http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/intro.html.

Our list of 2014-2016 honorees includes:
William Brown, Accounting and Business Law; Steve Buechler, Sociology and Corrections; Angela Jill Cooley, History; Daniel Cronn-Mills, Communication Studies; Sandra Eggenberger, Nursing; Lynnette M. Engeswick, Dental Hygiene; Geoff Herbach, English; John J. Janc, Modern Languages; Deborah Jesseman, K-12 and Secondary Programs; Andrew Johnson, Special Education; Norma Krumwiede, Nursing; Michael Larson, Mass Media; William E. Lass, Emeritus, History; Paul Force-Emery Mackie, Social Work; Sachi Sekimoto, Communication Studies; Ferdinand T. Siagian, Accounting and Business Law; Danaé R. Quirk-Dorr, Chemistry & Geology; Jacqueline Vieceli, Government; Heather G Von Bank, Family Consumer Science; Dennis D. Waskul, Sociology and Corrections; Patricia Young, Nursing; Sun Kyeong Yu, Philosophy; Kimberly Zammitt, Social Work.