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# Highlight

- <u>The First Amendment and Library Services</u> with Theresa Chmara. (4-week facilitated eCourse starting on Monday, March 4, 2019)
- <u>Privacy, Libraries, Patrons, and the Law</u> with Deborah Caldwell-Stone. (4-week facilitated eCourse starting on Monday, April 8, 2019)

# Censorship

- Backlash after Drag Queen Story Hour hits state level with proposed legislation | Fox Carolina (SC)
  - Sheriff's office denied Greenville News access to drag queen event at public library | Greenville News
- DC cancels comic book about a second coming of Christ amid backlash | NBC News
- New Jersey high schools restrict access to Fun Home | Update: VICTORY! | NCAC
- John Oliver's bunny book triggers teacher investigation | CBLDF; 'A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo'

### **Privacy**

- The WIRED Guide to Your Personal Data (and Who Is Using It) | Wired
- Reverse location search warrants: How police departments force Google to hand over data on anyone near a crime scene | Slate
- Your phone and TV are tracking you, and political campaigns are listening in | Los Angeles Times
- Congress begins consideration of comprehensive federal privacy legislation | Lexology
- NATO group catfished soldiers to prove a point about privacy | Wired
- Putting data privacy in the hands of users | MIT News
- Mug shot proposal pits privacy versus the right to know | The New York Times

#### Access

- NY Times now free in all 1,200 California public libraries | The Hill
- National Library of Medicine and Wellcome complete partnership to provide free access to hundreds of years of medical research | NIH / NLM
- Internet Archive helps make books accessible for students with disabilities | Internet Archive Blogs
- A turning point for scholarly publishing | The Chronicle of Higher Education

### **Net Neutrality and Broadband Access**

How the Net Neutrality debate complicates internet data privacy | InsideSources

- The public deserves a return to the 2015 Open Internet Order | EFF Deeplinks Blog
- How 'zero-rating' offers threaten net-neutrality in the developing world | Forbes
- GAO report: The net neutrality debate complicates data privacy | GovTech

### Fake News, Free Press, Social Media

- The Imperfect Truth About Finding Facts in a World of Fakes | Wired
- Should Americans expect free-speech rights on social media platforms? | OIF Blog
- Facebook decided which users are interested in Nazis and let advertisers target them directly | Los Angeles Times
- Children's advocacy groups file FTC complaint against Facebook | IAPP

# **Academic Freedom & Campus Speech**

- House panel passes science bill despite critics from K-12 | Sioux City Journal (SD); "A bill that would let South Dakota
  teachers decide how much skepticism to inject into lessons on scientific topics such as climate change and the Big Bang
  passed its first legislative test on Wednesday."
- Free speech policy stirs controversy at University of Michigan | The Detroit News
- For a dissatisfied public, colleges' internal affairs become fair game | The Chronicle of Higher Education
- Campus free speech bill to become law | Arkansas Democrat Gazette
- Violent-themed student speech | Freedom Forum Institute
- <u>The edge of academic freedom</u> [Book review of Joan Wallach Scott's Knowledge, Power, and Academic Freedom] | Inside Higher Ed

# First Amendment and Free Speech

- Trump's attacks on the First Amendment and the press gain an ally in Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas | NBC
   News
- Students can skip Pledge of Allegiance, school district says | The New York Times (CT)
- Florida student, 11, arrested after dispute over his refusal to say Pledge of Allegiance | The New York Times

#### Around the Web

- The Contentious History of the Anarchist Cookbook | Big Think
- 'Books saved my life and my sanity': An interview with banned author Carmen-Francesca Banciu | OIF Blog
- We have destroyed copyright law | YouTube video by the Vlogbrothers (John & Hank Green)
- A history of the American public library: A visual exploration | Citylab
- Deborah Jacobs on the end of Gates Global Libraries and what happens next | Library Journal
- The lab discovering DNA in old books | The Atlantic

#### International Issues

- How China's censorship machine crosses borders and into Western politics | The Washington Post
- NTMC [National Telecommunication Monitoring Center] will soon be able to block anti-govt propaganda | The Daily Star (Bangladesh)
- Is this the end of Cuba's astonishing artistic freedom? | The New York Times
- Mexican privacy watchdog criticizes government over spyware | The New York Times
- European governments approve controversial new copyright law | Ars Technica

#### **ALA News**

- Revised Library Bill of Rights interpretations adopted at Seattle Midwinter Meeting
- ALA Executive Board releases statement regarding incident at Council Forum
- New workshop: Active Shooter Training for Library Employees
- Applications due March 8 for 2019 ALA Leadership Institute
- Hateful conduct in libraries: A new ALA resource
- New E-Course on the First Amendment and Library Services Begins March 4



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