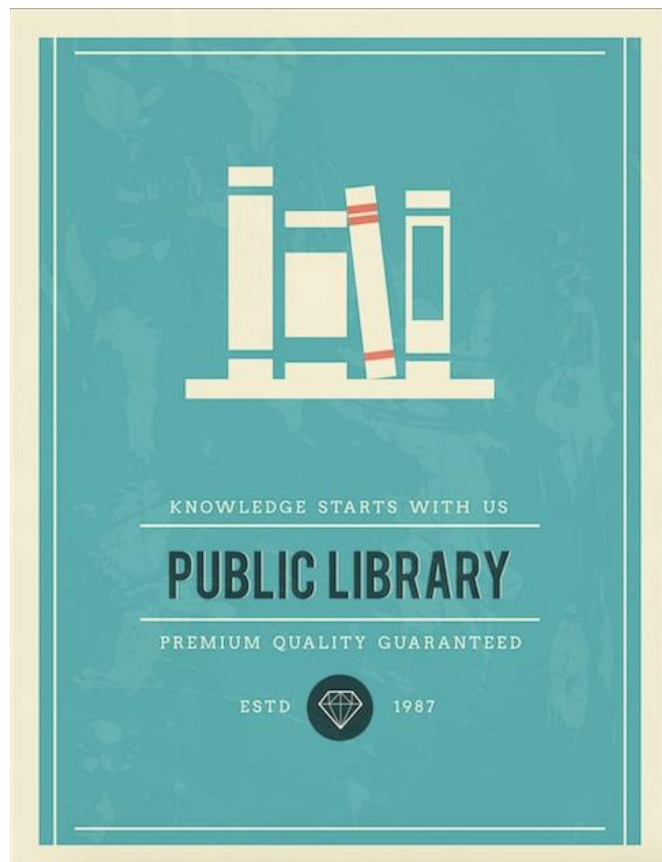




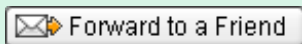
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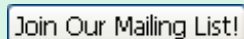


NCAL recently invited a few colleagues to offer their thoughts to our readers about the importance of libraries in our society and in particular the role of public libraries in adult education.

Four short essays on this topic have just been presented in a new NCAL blog titled "*Public Libraries & Adult Education*" -- by Gail Spangenberg (NCAL president), Greg Lucas (California State Librarian), Leslie Gelders (Director, Literacy Resource Office, Oklahoma Department of Libraries), and Robert K. Logan (co-author, with Marshal McLuhan, of *The future of the library: From electric media to digital media*).

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