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Additional Idaho library scholarship recipients selected

BOISE, ID – The SWIM Regional Collaborative Library Education Project has announced the following additional scholarship recipients, all of who are currently enrolled in the University of North Texas (UNT) -SWIM Cohort.

A full SWIM Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS) Scholarship was awarded to:

- Bruce Godfrey – Moscow

In addition, smaller scholarships of \$2,700 were awarded to:

- Teresa Lucas - Moscow
- Bev McKay – Boise
- Jill Mitchell – Eagle
- Holly Mortimer – Boise
- Lizzy Walker - Boise

These scholarships are provided through the South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho, and Montana (SWIM) Regional Collaborative Library Education Project. These six scholars join the nine Idaho recipients approved by the SWIM Advisory Council in 2010. Their scholarship awards are the result of applications they made in April 2010 to the SWIM project, which is designed to increase the number of professional librarians working in the SWIM region. The SWIM project received additional funding last month, making it possible for these scholars to receive funds.

“The SWIM education project enhances library services for Idaho residents by graduating students with strong technology skills and a commitment to a career in 21st Century librarianship,” said Idaho State Librarian Ann Joslin. All SWIM scholarship recipients will be recognized at the annual Idaho Library Association meeting to be held in Boise, Idaho October 5-7.

The SWIM project is a partnership between Idaho Commission for Libraries and the other SWIM state library agencies and is funded by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services’ (IMLS) Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program.

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