

# The Scoop

Fun, inspiring and innovative ideas  
for library youth services

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- Jan 20: ALSC Mini Institute-Atlanta
- Feb 6-8: Idaho Education Technology Association conference – Boise
- Feb. 24: Idaho elementary school mini-grants close
- April 7: Deadline to apply for Bright Futures Outreach Programs
- April 30: El día de los niños
- May 19-20: Idaho AEYC Professional Development Institute-Boise

## Welcome

by Tammy Hawley-House

I am not sure how this happened but 2016 is nearly over and we are gearing up for big changes here in the world of Read to Me. After 25 years, the founding member of our team is moving on. Stephanie Bailey-White will become ICfL's Deputy State Librarian on December 11, 2016, leaving some really big shoes to fill. Fortunately she will be still advocating for Idaho libraries and we can still bug her A LOT! Her vision for the Read to Me program, support for early literacy, and role in increasing access to books across Idaho are truly inspiring. Please join Staci and me in wishing her well and giving her HUGE thanks for all she has done in the fields of literacy & libraries.



## LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

### Idaho Family Reading Week Fun

This year nearly 70 Idaho libraries celebrated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Idaho Family Read Week. Here are a few examples:



St. Anthony Library's family fun celebration included forgiveness of fines.

*Submitted by Emily Hansen*



The local Headstart partnered with the Oneida County Library in Malad City. Look at the cute Piggie crafts they created. *Submitted by Kathy Kent*



Boise Public Library hosted their annual *Dinner and a Book* at each of their locations. Two princesses visited the Main library to share tips on good manners with children.

*Submitted by Azam Houle and Danielle Boyd.*



The Hidden Springs Branch of the Ada Community Library hosted a Harry Potter party. Check out these adorable book marks and see more of their fun photos on their [Facebook page](#).

*Submitted by Mary Allington*

## Changes to Books to Go Program in 2017

Over 460 Books to Go bins were placed in locations throughout the state between 2012 and 2016. Recently the decision was made to not accept any new partners into the program. ICfL will continue to replace lost or damaged books for active partners who survey parents and complete program reports through 2017. We will assess the spring evaluations and determine if our budget can continue to provide replacement books for active partners.

“The program has definitely met the goal of increasing access to books for Idaho’s young children. Libraries stepped up and formed partnerships and our evaluation data shows parents and caregivers are reading more with their children as a result of the program,” Project Coordinator Stephanie Bailey-White said. “The program began with a large National Leadership Grant and we have continued with Read to Me funding the past year. It is a very staff- and resource-intensive program and we’ve made the decision to focus on My First Books and other outreach programs at this time. If you have a new preschool program in your community, we encourage library staff to consider looking at My First Books or creating a modified Books to Go program in-house.”

## Thanksgiving Fun at Clearwater



In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the Clearwater Memorial Public Library staff had the children write what they were thankful for on colored feathers and add them to Tom the Turkey. They had a lot of fun participating and drawing pictures on their feathers. Some of the things they were thankful for were: family, food, pets, Mom & Dad, toys and their losing their first tooth.

## YOUNG ADULT CORNER

### \$\$\$ for Teen Tech Week

Does your library need a tech make-over? YALSA is offering grants of \$1000 to school and public libraries serving teens. The deadline to apply is January 1, 2017. Applicants must be a member of YALSA.

[Learn More/Apply](#)

### Teen Read Week Fun

Check out some of the fun activities that happened around the state with teens celebrating Idaho Teen Read Week



Book Dominoes at Canyon Ridge High School in Twin Falls.

*Submitted by Janie Johnson*

Teens at Kuna High School read so many books, the bulletin board bookshelf overflowed.

*Submitted by Lori Ballard*

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children Halloween Party at Marshall Public Library in Pocatello.

*Submitted by Kath Ann Hendricks*

## SCHOOL ZONE

### Be Prepared!

Between floods in Louisiana, fires in Gatlinburg, and forests ablaze all over the west, 2016 has been a rough year in many places around the country. Here in Idaho, we don't have hurricanes, we don't have many tornadoes, and only an occasional earthquake here and there. However, we do have fires, heavy snowfall, and flash floods, not to mention leaky roofs and frozen pipes. None of those are good for a library, and it gets a librarian thinking...

So, what do we do to protect our libraries full of hard-won materials? While it is pretty tough to prevent a flood or wild fire, we can have a plan in place for recovery. The Smithsonian Cultural Rescue Initiative has some helpful information about responding to an emergency. Or when responding to a book dropped in the bathtub, lake, or mud puddle.

- Ten-minute video on water damage: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rXyA5Dq\\_jHM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rXyA5Dq_jHM)
- 12-minute video and a check list from the Library of Congress: <http://www.loc.gov/preservation/emergprep/dry.html>
- But when cleaning up, be sure to protect yourself and others. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have [guidelines for staying safe](#) while cleaning up.
- If things are really bad, here are some resources to call in the professionals: [Regional Alliance for Preservation – Western States and Territories Preservation Assistance Service](#)
- And when you are ready to replace what cannot be salvaged, there are resources to help with that, too:
- [Lyrasis](#) has great information for disaster aid, as well as other resources for disaster recovery.

Let's hope we never need to use these resources and our collections are always safe and dry. However, in the awful event that something does go wrong, it's good to have a plan. Before drafting any plan for your library, check to see if the school district has a plan already, or something to work from.

Be sure to distribute [Low Hanging Fruit](#) to your teachers and principal – December's issue is on the benefits of Making for their classes!

December's Nonfiction Book of the Month: [Presenting Buffalo Bill: The Man Who Invented the Wild West](#) by Candace Fleming.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Get a Jumpstart on Kindergarten Registration



It's that time of year when schools are setting their kindergarten registration dates. ICfL supports school and public library partnerships during this milestone in a child/parent's life by providing books and literacy materials during kindergarten registration.

[Learn More / Register](#)

## Make IT at the Library

Application for 2017 *Make IT at the Library* opens December 5, 2016, to publicly funded libraries in the state of Idaho. Beginning this year, academic, school and public libraries may apply. *Make IT at the Library* consists of a two-day training and resources geared for library programming of all age groups.

Training dates are:

- March 6 & 7 in Pocatello
- March 15 & 16 in Sandpoint
- March 28 and 29 in Lewiston



This year's program includes a community education kit (30 Edison robots, batteries and curriculum) and requires partnership with community organizations to extend the kit's use outside of the library.

*3D printers and training WILL NOT be part of this application and training but will be offered separately.*

[Learn More / Register](#)

## El Dia

It is never too early to start planning for El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day), a celebration of children, families, and reading that culminates every year on April 30. The celebration emphasizes the importance of literacy and reading fun for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds. Libraries that host events and complete a Día application by April 4, 2017 will receive books for participating families and posters to help promote events.

[Register](#)

## TIPS AND TOOLS

### Best Books of 2016

I am sure that I say this annually, but I love this time of year because we get so many Best of Book lists to help us determine our reading and collection wish lists. [School Library Journal](#) has just announced their picks in the following categories:

- Best Picture Books
- Best Chapter Books
- Best Middle Grade Books
- Best Young Adult Books
- Best Nonfiction
- And more.....



## AfterSchool Program Register



Did you know that Idaho has a place to register your library's afterschool program? It is through the [Idaho AfterSchool Network](#). Any program that happens for school-aged (K-12) children can be listed on their website. Not only is it a great way to advertise your program, it is also a great resource for parents asking for your help in identifying activities for their children to

participate in. If you are interested, you can add your library by completing their [survey here](#). There is no need to add each of your programs, just get your library listed so that potential partners and parents can find you. You can view the directory at [idahoafterschool.org/search/](http://idahoafterschool.org/search/) and contact the Idaho AfterSchool Network at [mhattaway@jannus.org](mailto:mhattaway@jannus.org) | (208) 336-5533 x 283 if you have any questions.

## Helping Kids Choose Kindness



ALSC recently published the Unity. Kindness. Peace. booklist for librarians, parents, caregivers, teachers and other caring adults looking for positive ways to encourage kindness. The titles were chosen by the ALSC Quicklists Consulting Committee. [Download your free booklist.](#)

# SUMMER READING NEWS

## 2017 Program Manuals

Summer Reading Program manuals were shipped out to every publicly funded public library in Idaho that submitted their 2016 Summer Reading Report. Manuals were sent with the following label:

**2017 Summer Reading  
Program Manual**  
Please open immediately!

If you did not request a specific format last spring, you received a **USB drive** with the manual and all artwork. This year online access will also be provided with each manual order. Instructions for how to access your online manual were enclosed.

**Upstart:** You will also receive two Upstart order catalogs with your program manual, unless you requested additional catalogs last spring. One is for the public library. The other is for schools or community partners, so that they can order incentive items directly. If you would like additional copies of this to hand out to your schools, you can request them at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/summer-reading-resources>.

**Schools:** Contact your public library to request an order catalog, and begin making plans now for how to partner for summer reading.

## Applications open for Bright Futures Outreach Programs

These opportunities are designed to reach more children with summer reading programs, especially those considered “underserved.” Each program is designed to achieve specific outcomes, and participating libraries must report results in the ICfL annual summer reading programs report. You must apply to participate.

**Who may apply:** Publicly funded public libraries in Idaho

**Deadline for all three programs:** April 7, 2017

**Parent Outreach:** Plan at least one event for parents and caregivers and receive paperback books and bookmarks to give to families.

**Reaching Underserved Children:** Take your summer reading program out in the community and receive paperback books and bookmarks to give to children ages birth to 18.

**School Partnerships:** Develop a Reading Challenge with the elementary school principal and school librarian to increase participation in the library's summer reading program. Receive a partnership package including hardcover books, paperback books, and summer reading banner for the library and each partner school.

All libraries participating in a Bright Futures Outreach Program **must formally evaluate** their summer reading program.

*Continue reading...*

## Special notice regarding School Visits, Backpacks, and State Parks Passes

We are no longer offering School Visits as a Bright Futures Outreach Program; however, we do encourage libraries to visit schools in the spring to promote summer reading and library programs. This year the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation is providing drawstring backpacks that library staff can take to the schools or to other outreach events to help promote their summer programs. Public and Community Libraries in Idaho will be able to request those after the first of the year. Stay tuned for more information and application link in *The Scoop* or on our [Summer Reading Website](#).

State Parks Passes should also be available to request after the first of the year. Stay tuned for information about those as well.

## Webinar: Introduction to the 2017 CSLP Teen Programming Manual

Hosted by the Texas State Library, open to all library staff

Thursday, January 5, 2:00-3:00 pm EST

This webinar will be archived for later viewing as well.

[Learn More / Register](#)

## FEATURED:

### Space Science and Libraries: a marriage made in the heavens

The Space Science Institute's National Center for Interactive Learning (NCIL) provides interactive STEM exhibits, programming, and training to public libraries nationwide through its Science-Technology Activities and Resources Library Education Network ([STAR\\_Net](#)). I recently had the opportunity to attend a session presented at the [ARSL Conference in Fargo](#) and participate in some of the incredible hands-on activities they are making available for librarians.

You can find these activities/program plans on their [clearinghouse website](#), where they have created entire STEAM programs just for libraries, including a list of materials, books to read/use in the program, online resources and basic descriptions of the science behind the activity. They have a team of scientists working on the science piece and educators working on the lesson/program plans.

In the program plan [Levers at Play](#), you will find a list of simple everyday materials needed to explore the world of levers:

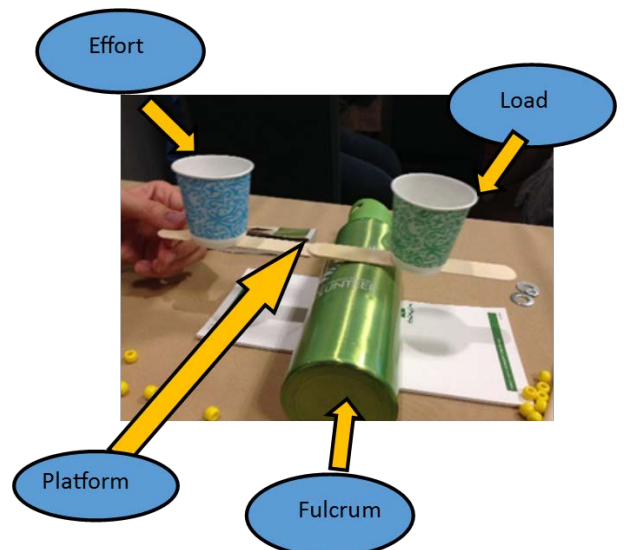
- Craft sticks
- Dixie cups
- Misc. things to be used as weights (plastic beads, washers, nuts)
- Something to use as a fulcrum (paper towel tubes, soda cans)

They provide related scientific vocabulary and tips for librarians as facilitators to implement some STEAM fun.

I am a huge fan of Pinterest for finding great STEAM programming ideas to do with kids, but [StarNet's hands-on activities](#) go much further by providing **ALL** the tools needed to provide a quality learning program in a library setting. I encourage you to give it try. And feel free to send [me](#) some photos for your STEAM program so that I can share it in the Scoop.

And, STARnet is offering **two free webinars** based on the CSLP summer reading theme, "Build a Better World":

- **Partnering with Engineering Experts for Programs** - Wednesday, December 14
- **Playful Building Hands-on Activities** - Wednesday, January 18



[Learn More / Register](#)





## CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

### Outcome Based Evaluation

[Measure Your Impact: Getting Started with Outcome-Based Evaluation](#)

Infopeople Webinar – December 15, 2016 at 12 PM Pacific – 1 PM Mountain

Do you want to learn how to measure the effects your library's programs, resources, and services have on your users? Would you like to discover various ways to measure outcomes in your library? Join Linda Hofschire, Director of the Colorado State Library's Library Research Service, in this webinar.

### Culinary Literacy: A Library Recipe for Cooking Up Literacy and Community

WebJunction Webinar -- December 6, 2016 – 12 PM Pacific – 1 PM Mountain

In this [webinar](#), get inspired by the work at the Free Library of Philadelphia's Culinary Literacy Center. Hear how this innovative idea was transformed into reality through strategic community partnerships and institutional support. Learn how your library can start teaching community residents everything from butchering a goat to making a vegan stew, boosting literacy and nutritional health for all.

### Webinars hosted by the Texas State Library

The Texas State Library invites colleagues nationwide to participate in a **free series of webinars on preschool storytime basics and enhancing storytimes with science, math, music, and art**. The webinars will be presented by Kim Lehman ([www.kimlehman.com/default.htm](http://www.kimlehman.com/default.htm)). Kim has 30 years of experience working with children in public libraries, schools, child care centers, and museums. As a former youth specialist for the Austin Public Library and Connecting Texas Libraries Statewide, Kim presented many storytimes and science-based programs in library settings. Kim is a certified early childhood educator, and a professional musician and storyteller on the Texas Commission on the Arts Touring Roster presenting both art and science programs for all ages.

All webinars take place from 3:00-4:00 pm EST. Topics include:

**Preschool Storytime Basics** - Tuesday, Jan. 10

**Science and Math in Storytimes** - Tuesday, Jan. 17

**Storytime Crafts** – Tuesday, Jan. 24

**The Magic of Music in Storytimes** – Tuesday, January 31

[Learn More / Register](#)

## DIVERSITY IN ACTION

### ALSC Diversity Survey

The Diversity within ALSC Task Force is conducting a survey to gain a better understanding of the current ALSC membership as well as other youth services providers outside the membership. Please feel free to share with colleagues in order to help the task force reach the greatest possible audience. The survey will be live until Tuesday, December 20th. [Take the survey.](#)

### Once Upon a Cuento: Bilingual Storytimes in English and Spanish

Jamie Campbell Naidoo and Katie Scherrer

The authors include 18 ready-to-use program plans for bilingual storytimes, suitable even for storytime leaders who don't speak Spanish. Enhanced with interviews and advice from experts affiliated with REFORMA (The National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking), this book would be a resource for children's librarians, school library media specialists, and outreach and programming librarians.



[More Info](#)

## KNOW THE NUMBERS

### Students Can't Recognize When News is Fake



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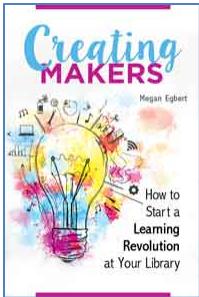
<http://www.snopes.com/2016/01/14/fake-news-sites/>

Stanford University recently released the results of a [study](#) involving 7804 middle school, high school and university students. Each of the students was given a series of questions asking them to determine the credibility of something posted on the Internet. Researchers were alarmed at the large proportion of students unable to accurately identify fake claims. 82% of middle-schoolers couldn't distinguish between an ad labeled "sponsored content" and a real news story.

Information Literacy continues to be a high priority with librarians as noted in a [recent interview](#) with Professor Nicole Cooke at the University Of Illinois School Of Information Science. School Library Journal recently posted an article on [Teaching Information Literacy Now](#). This article contains some key tips for web evaluation.

# STEAM

## Great book by great Idaho Librarian



Our friend and colleague, Megan Egbert of the Meridian Library District wrote a fantastic book about creating makers. It is a great read about Maker Culture with very practical pointers about how to get started with making in your library. She shares some great stories about her journey along the path to making and I highly recommend this book to anyone offering making activities or thinking about doing so. In order to make sure every Idaho library staff member has a chance to read it, ICfL has purchased an electronic copy that you can access for free. It is available through our Gale Virtual Reference [Staff Development Collection](#). This collection is available only to persons working in an Idaho

library and is therefore password protected. You are in luck, I have the password so [email me \(Tammy\)](#), tell me who you are and in which Idaho library you work, and I can share the login information with you.

# BOOK LOOK

## Cool books being published in December

### Picture Books



*Before You* by Rebecca Doughty ISBN: **054446317X**

Through simple, yet lively text and whimsical illustration, the love from parent to child, or lover to lover, or friend to friend, is celebrated.



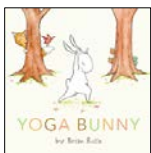
*I Will Love You Anyway* by Mick Inkpen. ISBN: **148147099X**

A heartwarming story of a sweat-band-wearing pug who just can't seem to do the right thing. Dog is very badly behaved- destroying everything and won't stop running away! But when he finds himself lost and alone there is one person he knows he can always count on.



*Pig the Pug* by Aaron Blabey. ISBN: **1338112457**

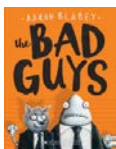
Pig is a selfish pug who does not want to share his toys with his canine housemate, Trevor--until an accident teaches him the value of friendship.



*Yoga Bunny* by Brian Russo. ISBN: **0062429523**

It's a perfect day for yoga. Bunny is practicing his poses and wishes his friends would do yoga with him! But Lizard is too tired, Fox is in a rush, and Bird has the hiccups. Will Bunny get his friends to slow down and realize that yoga might be the solution to their problems?

## Juvenile Fiction



*The Bad Guys* by Aaron Blabey. ISBN: 0545912407

They sound like bad guys, they look like bad guys . . . and they even smell like bad guys. But Mr. Wolf, Mr. Piranha, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Shark are about to change all of that...



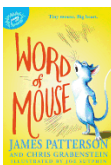
*Horizon* by Scott Westerfeld. ISBN: 054591677

When a plane crash-lands in the arctic, eight young survivors step from the wreckage expecting to see nothing but ice and snow. Instead they find themselves lost in a strange jungle with no way to get home and little hope of rescue.



*The Wearle* (the Erth Dragons #1) by Chris D'Lacey. ISBN: 0545900182

Gabrial is a young dragon, --now part of a new Wearle that has come to Erth, when one of the other dragons has dark plans, and war erupts between dragons and humans, Gabrial finds that his only ally is an unusual human boy called Ren.



*Word of Mouse* by James Patterson ISBN: 0316349569

The illuminating journey of a very special mouse, and the unexpected friendships he makes along the way"—

## Series



*Dog Man Unleashed* by Dav Pilkey. ISBN: 0545935202

Dog Man, is still learning a few tricks of the trade. Petey the cat is out of the bag, and his criminal curiosity is taking the city by storm. Something fishy is going on! Can Dog Man unleash justice on this ruffian in time to save the city, or will Petey get away with the purr-fect crime?



*Bollywood Burglary* (Geronimo Stilton #65) by Geronimo Stilton. ISBN: 1338087754

Geronimo is at it again with detective friend Hercule Poirat. They head to India and end up in a movie. Rancid ricotta – Geronimo is a terrible actor! Even worse, just when they least expect it, the ruby is stolen. Can they find the thief?



*Lumberjanes Vol. 5: Band Together* by Shannon Watters, et al. ISBN: 1608869199

The story follows a group of girls named Mal, Ripley, Molly, April, and Jo spending summer at a scout camp, and the strange creatures and supernatural phenomena they encounter there.

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