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[YALSA Symposium](#)

Nov. 2 – 4, Salt Lake City, UT

WELCOME

By Tammy Hawley-House

Welcome to the June edition of the *Scoop*. Most of you are up to your neck in Summer Reading programs and events. So let me keep this short and sweet.....Thank you for all you are doing to maintain learning opportunities during out-of-school time. You are rock stars!

Salut! Ciao! Aloha! Servus!

What do these words have in common? They all mean both hello and goodbye in their respective languages. I am borrowing them as I bid farewell to the Read to Me team and say howdy to my new gig as Continuing Education Consultant for the ICfL. It has been an honor to be part of the Idaho library community serving youth, and I am looking forward to serving you in my new role. Please stay in touch- [Tammy's email](#).

LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

Ada Community Library's Victory Branch Holds Agricultural Fun Fair

contributed by Kristi Haman, Victory Branch Manager

This spring, Ada Community Library's Victory Branch in Boise celebrated the valuable contributions of American agriculture by organizing a celebratory fair. The



library looked for ways to share information provided by the Agriculture Council of America ([agday.org](#)). The Council believes every American should: understand how food, fiber, and renewable resource products are produced; value the

essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy; appreciate the role agriculture plays in providing safe, abundant and affordable products; and consider career opportunities in agriculture.

The 200+ people who visited the Agricultural Fun Fair enjoyed a wide variety of activities focusing on everything from gardening and farming to beekeeping and worms. The library offered a scavenger hunt, crafts, baby lamb cuddle time, tractor and wool displays, and seeds to plant at home. A refreshment stand offered lemonade, fruit, and vegetables. Posters and handouts shared information about farm equipment and buildings, what farms grow, and farming facts (Did you know: there are more than two million farms in the United States and one farmer provides enough food to feed about 150 people?)



Dozens of stations were set up around the library so patrons could learn about our community partners. Our partners included Albertsons, Fred Meyer, Edwards Greenhouse, Boise Urban Garden School (BUGS), Idaho State Museum, Tractor Supply Co., Idaho Wool Growers Association, Idaho Beef Council, Idaho Cattle Association, Idaho Wool Growers Association, Dairy West, United Dairymen of Idaho, Treasure Valley Beekeepers Club, Idaho Potato Commission, Master Gardeners – University of Idaho Extension Office, Boise Farmers Market & Mobile Market, Jackson Family Farm, and Morning Owl Farm.

~ Event coordinators: Kristi Haman, Jennifer Nelson, Molly Kumar, Julie Patricia & Christine Hoxie

Día Fun at Nampa Public Library

This year, 18 Idaho libraries offered el día de los niños events. Reports of great events and families being served are rolling in, including these photos and share out by the Nampa Public Library:

“The Nampa Public Library Dia event went fantastic. We kicked off our event with a special performance by Ballet Folklórico dancers. Then children got the opportunity to do Zumba and Pound. Afterward each child received a passport and took a tour around the world. We had three country posters set up, and each poster contained fun and educational facts about the country. At each poster, children got their passports stamped and tickets for a chance to win a raffle prize.





“For our Día Event we had two primary partnerships, Elevate Mind Body Studio and a Migratory Education Liaison. Elevate assisted with providing the raffle prize items and led Zumba and Pound. Zumba had fun dynamic moves with a mix of Latin, hip-hop, and reggae. Pound is a creative way to rock on! Kids used rhythm sticks for coordination, physical fitness and fun. The

Migratory Education Liaison helped with set up, clean up and were also in charge of the passport station. Hosting Dia benefited our library by exposing kids to fun and educational resources.”

Continue Reading

Remodel completed in Sandpoint

The East Bonner County Library District’s Sandpoint Branch held their much-anticipated grand re-opening on Saturday, June 2 after 10 months of construction. The local newspaper quoted ICfL State Librarian Ann Joslin. “The



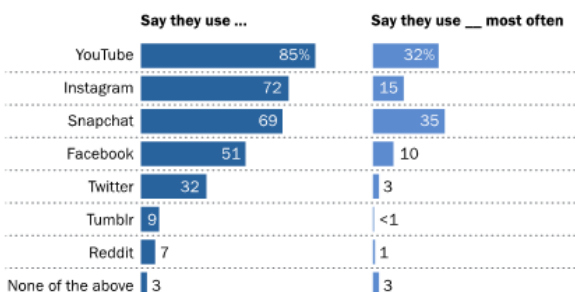
transformation of the Sandpoint branch of the East Bonner County Library District beautifully combines form and function in ways that will allow library staff to serve patrons like never before,” said Ann Joslin. “The strong support of this expansion project demonstrates the critical role the library plays in this community.” Over 200 people attended their ribbon cutting with many more joining in throughout the four-hour ceremony. Take a peek at some of their videos found on their [YouTube channel](#).

YOUNG ADULT CORNER

Teens, Social Media, & Technology for 2018

YouTube, Instagram and Snapchat are the most popular online platforms among teens

% of U.S. teens who ...



The Pew Research Center just released a report titled [Teens, Social Media & Technology 2018](#). If you are wondering how to reach teens, program for teens, and what teens are up to, this is a must read. If you just want to quickly view the highlights, check out David Lee Kind’s [recent post](#) about the report.

Teen Read Week



YALSA has announced the theme and dates for this year's Teen Read Week Celebration. Visit <http://teenreadweek.ning.com/> for more information and watch for ICfL's sponsored program coming later this summer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bright Futures: Summer Underserved Books on their way!

As of Thursday, May 31st, all books for the Bright Futures: Summer Underserved program have shipped to the 43 applying libraries. Please be on the look-out for them as they should arrive by June 1st or 2nd (some of you received your books earlier in May). Each shipment of books contains a cover letter in one of the boxes, outlining the reporting and tracking requirements. A summer reading yard-sign and summer reading bookmarks were also sent to each library. If you have questions about this program, please contact Kristina Taylor at kristina.taylor@libraries.idaho.gov.

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Remember that ICfL offers [first-time conference grants](#) to staff working in Idaho libraries.

TIPS AND TOOLS

IdahoPTV announces Great American Read



The Great American Read is an eight-part series that explores and celebrates the power of reading, told through the lens of America's 100 best-loved novels (as chosen in a national survey). It investigates how and why writers create their fictional worlds, how we as readers are affected by these stories, and what these 100 different books have to say about our diverse nation and our shared human experience. You can vote for your top American Reads every day until October 18.

To learn more, visit the official Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/GreatAmericanReadPBS/>. For the full list of books and how to vote, visit <http://pbs.org/greatamericanread>.

Boston Globe Awards

Need some great recommendations for summer reads? Look no further than the recent list of Boston Globe-Horn Book Awards. [Read more....](#)



SUMMER READING NEWS

Data Collection for Summer Reading Report

As you prepare to kick off your summer reading programs, please keep in mind the data you need to track for your summer reading report, due by **September 15**. You will access the report on our **Summer Reading web page** (<http://libraries.idaho.gov/summer-reading>).

A **copy of the report can be accessed here** so that you have all the questions ahead of time. You can download a Word version of the preview questions from our summer reading web page; you can type responses into this document, then cut and paste your responses into the online report. This way you can work on it a little at a time, or allow other staff members to add their data to it as a shared document.

If you did not offer a summer reading program this year, simply go to the report link above, fill out your contact information, and check "No" on the first question, "Did your library host a summer reading program this year?" You will be redirected to the end of the report. If your library does not submit a report you will receive a follow up phone call in September.



If you are participating in any Bright Futures Outreach programs (Parent Outreach, Strengthening School Partnerships, and Summer Outreach to Underserved Children), the results from those programs will also need to be included in this report.

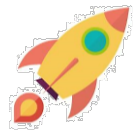
To see which Bright Futures programs your library is participating in this year, **click here**.

(Reminder: To participate in a Bright Futures program this year, your library also agreed to **formally evaluate your SRP**.)

A handy data tracking sheet is available on our summer reading resources website under **Evaluation Tools**; it can be customized, and you can use it from year to year to compare participation numbers.

2019 Summer Reading Program Manual: Order by June 27!

Coming Summer 2019: A Universe of Stories



The ICfL provides one program manual to each public library in Idaho. Library staff may choose the format of the manual, but you must submit your order by **June 27**.

PLEASE READ before choosing manual format:

- Please determine whether your library truly needs all four sections in a paper format before choosing the paper option. If, for example, you only offer a children's program, consider ordering the DVD or USB.
- The "default" format if your library does not indicate a choice will be the USB format.

- DVDs are just one copy, not 3, as was provided in past years.
- All paper, DVD, and USB copies come with automatic access to an online version of the manual.
- If your library does not want a program manual (not using theme, not offering a program,) please indicate that as well.

Order Now: <https://form.jotform.com/icfl/cslp-manual-order-2019-Idaho>.

The CSLP requires all states to place manual orders by the end of June. If your library does not submit an order by June 27, we will order the USB manual for you. We do not order extra copies of manuals; therefore, after June 27 you can't change your choice. We also do not replace lost copies of manuals once they are shipped to you in the fall.

CSLP News

Hear an interview with this year's Summer Reading Champion, Secret Agent 23 Skidoo:

<https://audioboom.com/posts/6866974-cadl-extra-secret-agent-23-skidoo>

Free Public Service Announcement (PSA) Videos

You can download several different versions of videos and audio clips, in both English and Spanish, to help promote your summer reading program. Some are customizable. See

<https://www.cslpreads.org/2018-psas/>

Proprietary Downloads

Remember that there is a wealth of additional resources found under **Proprietary Downloads** on the cslpreads.org website. You need to log in first to access those:

PROPRIETARY DOWNLOADS
HOME / MEMBERSHIP & SPONSORSHIP / STATE AND TERRITORY REPRESENTATIVES / PROPRIETARY DOWNLOADS

OBTAIN 2018 ONLINE ACCESS CODES | 2018 ONLINE MANUAL REQUEST - CA, IL, MN, VA | 2018 ONLINE MANUAL

Program Logos

2018 APPROVED LOGOS

These logos are APPROVED LOGOS and are available for member libraries to share with sponsors to show their support of the programs.

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Download the new CSLP logo!

1. Click on the logo version you need
2. Right click and select "Save image as"
3. Good to go!

Program Logos - SPANISH

Program Posters

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2018 Fonts

2018 Web Banners

PSAs

Picture Protection Script

Signing Videos

CSLP Logos

Web Banners

School Downloadable Material

2018 Program Corrections

FEATURED: SMARTY ANTS

[Smarty Ants](#) is an online literacy program being offered for free to all 4-year-olds in Idaho for the next three years through a partnership between the Idaho State Department of Education and Achieve3000.

The ICfL arranged a webinar on May 30th to help Idaho library staff address parent questions and become familiar with this early literacy tool. If you missed the Smarty Ants webinar last week, but want to have a better understanding of what it is and how to help parents and caregivers using it, you can view the [archive](#).

If you would like to login to **Smarty Ants** and see what it is all about, follow the instructions below:

1. **Go to** <http://www.achieve3000.com/try>
2. **Enter** the following demo codes: Username: *air4823* Password: *air4823*
3. **Click** on the Smarty Ants logo to open the Free Trial Form.
4. **Complete** and **submit** the form.
5. **Check your email** for a message from customerservice@smartyants.com. You'll receive an email with your login credentials and instructions.

A [promotional toolkit](#) has been created for those wanting to share information about this program. The toolkit includes social media images, like the one seen above, brochures, posters, FAQs and more.

If you have questions about *Smarty Ants* or want to discuss ways to share this information with your library customers, please contact [Staci](#) or [Kristina](#).



CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Free Training at WebJunction

Is your library strapped for cash and attending conferences or trainings not possible? We can help! [WebJunction](#) is a collective online space of library-related courses and webinars. Does [Making Space for Active Learning in Your Library](#) sound interesting? Or maybe [The Name of the Game: Playing Tabletop Games to Build 21st Century Skills](#) is a topic that you want to learn more about. Accessing WebJunction is easy. All you need is an Internet connection, a device and time. Many courses are self-paced and webinars are recorded and archived to accommodate your busy schedule. Give it try and let us know what you think.

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

2018 Children's Africana Book Awards

The [Children's Africana Book Awards \(CABA\)](#) are presented annually to the authors and illustrators of the best children's and young adult books on Africa published or republished in the U.S. The 2018 Children's Africana Book Awards are:



Best Books for Young Children:

Baby Goes to Market by Atinuke and Angela Brooksbank

Mama Africa, How Miriam Makeba Spread Hope with Her Song by Kathryn Erskine, illustrated by Charly Palmer

Grandma's List by Portia Dery, illustrated by Toby Newsome

Honor Books for Young Children:

The Wooden Camel by Wanuri Kahiu, illustrated by Manuela Adreani

Sleep Well, Siba & Saba by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahi and Sandra Van Doom

Best Book for Older Readers:

When Morning Comes by Arushi Raina

Honor Books for Older Readers:

Solo by Kwame Alexander with Mary Rand Hess

Akata Warrior by Nnedi Okorafor

Notable Books for Older Readers:

One Shadow on the Wall by Leah Henderson

Soldier Boy by Keely Hutton

Best New Adult Book:

Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue.

Pop-Up Libraries in Denver Schools

Read how a school with no library, began to effect change with a pop-up library in [this article](#) from School Library Journal

[Continue Reading](#)

KNOW THE NUMBERS

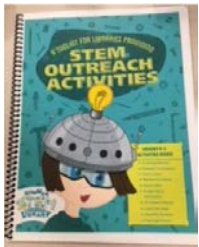
Why do Idaho libraries provide Summer Reading and learning opportunities over the summer months.....?

1. Over 30 years of studies consistently show that students who do not continue reading over the summer lose as much as three to four months of academic progress.
2. In Idaho, 77% of low-income kindergartners were reading at grade level in the spring of 2015. When they returned as first graders in the fall, only 57.5% were reading at grade level.
3. A large study of elementary students from varying backgrounds revealed that reading 4 to 5 books over the summer has the potential to prevent a decline in reading achievement scores from the spring to the fall.
4. Summer setback is the main source of the reading achievement gap between high- and low-income students; this setback is due to lack of summer reading activity
5. Differences in a child's summer learning experiences during his or her elementary school years can impact whether that child ultimately earns a high school diploma and pursues a college education.
6. Because 100% of Idaho librarians wanna make the world a better place (this statistic has not been evaluated for accuracy-but Tammy believes it too be true.)

Want to learn more and see the sources for these stats, check out Staci's annual [Summer Learning Loss Handout](#).

STEAM

Summer STEM program ideas

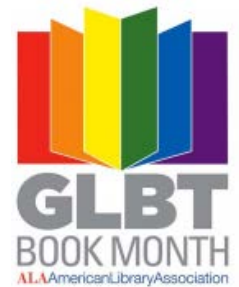


Just in case you missed the announcement last month, our newest toolkit filled with STEM activities is here. The [36-page booklet](#) contains activities, supply lists, science vocabulary words, take home extension activity cards and more. The toolkit is geared for library staff working with children in kindergarten through second grade.

BOOK LOOK

June Is GLBT Book Month

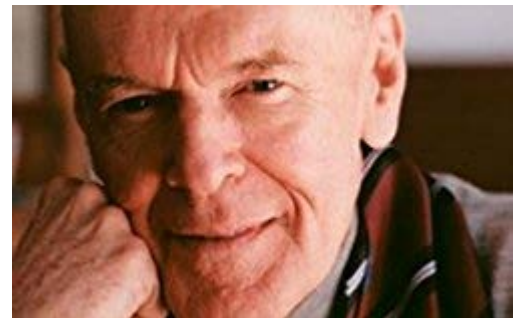
The American Library Association (ALA) and hundreds of libraries will celebrate June 2018 as **GLBT Book Month™**, a nationwide celebration of the authors and writings that reflect the GLBT experience. Originally established in the early 1990s by The Publishing Triangle as National Lesbian and Gay Book Month, GLBT Book Month™ is held annually in June and honors the authors and writings that reflect the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. GLBT Book Month™ is coordinated through the ALA's Office for Diversity, Literacy, and Outreach Services and the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table.



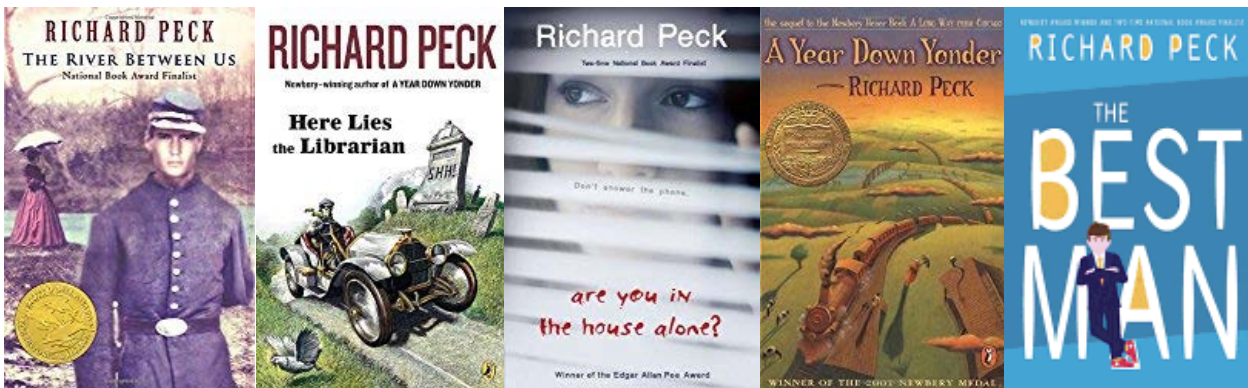
[Learn More](#)

In Memoriam: Newbery Award Author, Richard Peck

Author Richard Peck, winner of the Newbery Medal and widely acclaimed for his realistic YA novels, died May 23 at his home in New York City following a prolonged illness. He was 84.



Publishers Weekly article...



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