

The Scoop

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for library youth services

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-  Apply until **May 31** for 2017-2018 **Every Child Ready to Read Workshops**
-  Apply until May 31 for 2017-2018 **Fun with Math and Science Family Workshops**
-  Save the date for the **Read to Me Rendezvous, Nov. 2-3, 2017**

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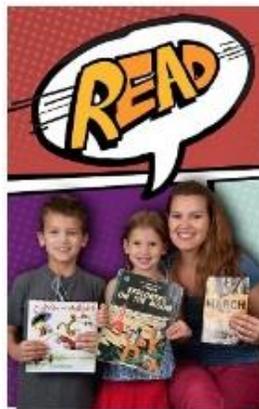


WELCOME

By Staci Shaw

We are proud to welcome **Kristina Taylor** as the newest member of the Read to Me Team! As was previously announced, Staci Shaw and Tammy Hawley-House have been re-classified as Youth Services Consultants, and hope to dedicate more time to training, working with library staff, and creating high-quality resources. The Projects Coordinator will be taking the lead on several of Read to Me's signature programs and services, and we are looking forward to getting Kristina out into the library community to meet our rock star youth services folks!

Meet Kristina Taylor



Kristina is not new to ICfL as she has been our Grants/Contracts Officer for nearly five years, managing our federal and state grants, developing contracts and working alongside our consultants to track, improve and evaluate our programs. Kristina came to ICfL in 2012 after ten years of grant writing for several area non-profits (such as the Treasure Valley Family YMCA). She is thrilled to have this second opportunity to work for ICfL in a new and challenging way, and since she is familiar with our programs and processes she's been able to jump right in!

Outside of work, Kristina spends a lot of time helping the Garfield Elementary and East Jr High PTOs, where her children attend school. Her favorite project (and biggest accomplishment) for PTO thus far was starting a school garden at Garfield, complete with a Little Free Library and a Buddy Bench. She also enjoys: her own garden, spending time near rivers (biking, rafting, or sitting near them), camping anywhere in Idaho or Oregon, learning new types of cooking (sushi-making, Dutch Oven cooking), spending time on the coastal

beaches/islands of her native state of Georgia, visiting relatives, playing backyard games with her kids and husband, and watching all kinds of soccer.

Her favorite ice creams are Tillamook Mudslide and Java Chip (how can anyone choose just one!?). Her favorite children's author (right now) is Jessica Day George - she and her daughter love Jessica's fantastic creatures, Rufus & Shardas! And because Kristina loves this old jacket of hers (and wants to be like Tammy), we also had to include this picture of her in preschool.



Kristina is currently helping Staci and Tammy finish out the program year, then she will turn her focus to Family Reading Week and other fall projects. Kristina's email address is Kristina.taylor@libraries.idaho.gov.

LIBRARY TO LIBRARY



Boise Public Library Partners with Local Community Helpers

Community Helpers was a joint effort with the Boise Public Library! and other City of Boise Departments. The main purpose behind the event was to create a sense of community with city employees and its citizens, with the added benefit of bringing attention to library storytimes. The question was how to bring people in. The answer! Vehicles. The lights and sirens of the rescue vehicles or the long arm that reaches from the garbage truck; these are fascinating to kids of all ages. The Boise Police Department, the Boise Fire Department, Republic Services, and the Ada Paramedics all took part.

The kids had a wonderful time listening to stories, checking out the uniforms and safety gear, and seeing the equipment and vehicles. The parents were happy that their kids could interact with department employees and get to know them on a more

personal level. The Boise Public Library was ecstatic that it more than doubled storytime attendance with families saying they would make storytime a recurring event. Program success!

submitted by Odessa Leedy of the Library! at Collister branch.

YOUNG ADULT CORNER

Free audiobooks for teens!

SYNC Audiobooks for Teens summer program is returning for its 8th year of free audiobooks. Teens ages 13+ can sign up to access up to 32 audiobooks (2 per week). Sign-ups are going on now, and audiobooks start becoming available on April 27. SYNC provides a mix of classic and modern titles. Titles are only available during a specific week, but once downloaded, they are for keeps.

Encourage your teens to sign up to get an email when titles become available at www.audiobooksync.com. They can also text "syncYA" to 25827. And you may download posters and promotional materials here: www.audiobooksync.com/tool-kit/. SYNC is sponsored by Audiofile.

News from YALSA

YALSA Symposium



YALSA is holding a Young Adult Services Symposium this fall in Louisville, KY. If you work with teens and want to garner some new ideas, share your thoughts and get energized, consider attending. If you have never attended a YALSA Symposium, you may qualify for an [ICfL first time conference grant](#).

Teen Read Week

The 2017 Teen Read Week site was launched last week with the theme, "Unleash Your Story." Library staff, afterschool providers, and educators should attempt to leverage this theme to encourage teens to write, share and tell their own stories as well as find stories, biographies, autobiographies, folktales, and more in their local library.

[Learn More](#)



Stay tuned for information about how ICfL plans to help you plan and implement a Teen Read Week event.

Teens Top Ten Nominations

YALSA also recently announced the **Teens' Top Ten nominations**. [Check out this announcement video](#) featuring the stars of the upcoming movie *Everything, Everything*. Teens across the country can vote on their favorite titles starting Aug. 15 until the end of Teen Read Week, which will be celebrated **Oct. 8-14**. The winners will be announced on the following week.

SCHOOL ZONE



Free Training! Supporting Beginning Readers: A Workshop for Idaho Elementary School Library Staff

This annual training is offered for new recipients of the School Library Access Minigrants, but it is also open to all Idaho elementary school library staff.

Agenda (Note that this training is identical to the annual trainings offered for the past several years; repeat attendance is allowed, but please know that the content has not changed from past sessions):

8:30am: Business meeting for 2017-2018 grant recipients only

9:30 am – 4:30 pm: Workshop open to **any Idaho elementary school library or school staff***

- Morning topics: Literacy Development; Best Practices in the School Library; Informational Text, Nonfiction, Common Core Supporting Materials
- Noon: Working lunch (meal provided)
- Afternoon topics: Weeding the Collection, Motivating Children to Read, Novelist K-8, Summer Learning Loss, Read to Me and Idaho Commission for Libraries Support

If you have been notified that you received a grant for 2017-2018 you must attend this training or make alternate arrangements with ICfL.

**Grant recipients who have previously attended this workshop are not required to attend again. However, if it has been several years since you attended, or if you have new staff, we do encourage you to join us for the entire day.*

Mileage will be reimbursed for those traveling more than 40 miles one way from your school to the workshop location.

August 1, 2017: Coeur d'Alene (Registration Deadline: July 24)

[Info / Register](#)

August 8, 2017: Boise (Registration Deadline: July 31)

[Info / Register](#)

August 10, 2017: Idaho Falls (Registration Deadline: August 2)

[Info / Register](#)



There is still time to register for Summer Summit 2017!

Meant to register for Summer Summit, but then it was full? We can help! [Put your name on the waitlist](#). There have already been cancellations, and as people's summer plans change, others on the waitlist can take their places. Hope to see you there!

Letters About Literature Winners Honored at State House Ceremony

On April 28, 2017, ICfL was please to honor 11 Idaho student writers in grades 4 through 12 for their success in the state level of the 24th Annual Letters About Literature contest from the Library of Congress Center for the Book. To enter, students wrote a personal letter to the author of a book that somehow changed their opinions or impacted their lives in some significant way. The letters went through many rounds of judging, and these are the submissions that came out on top:

<http://libraries.idaho.gov/lal>

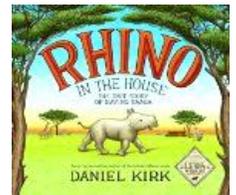


Low-Hanging Fruit

Read the Annual Summer Reading edition of [Low Hanging Fruit](#)! Have topic ideas for the 2017-2018 run? Please send them to us at jeannie.standal@libraries.idaho.gov.

Nonfiction Book of the Month

May's Nonfiction Book of the Month is *Rhino in the House: the True Story of Saving Samia*, by Daniel Kirk.



James Patterson is donating money to school libraries. Here's how to apply:

In the third installment of his School Library Campaign in partnership with Scholastic Reading Club, Patterson — author of books for middle grades and adults — is donating \$1.75 million to school libraries around the country.

[Continue reading...](#)

School Zone will be on Summer Break, but will be back again in September. We love getting feedback, ideas, and news about the great things happening in school libraries all over Idaho! Have something to share? Send it to Jeannie.standal@libraries.idaho.gov.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Idaho Afterschool Network Summit



Save the date for September 13th and 14th for the 4th annual [Idaho Afterschool Network's Summit](#), the only statewide conference solely dedicated to out-of-school time. Registration is only \$50 and included lunch and free parking at Boise State University. If you have something that you would like to share, consider applying to be a presenter. It is a great place to network with other organizations working with youth in Idaho.

TIPS AND TOOLS

Archived webinar about circulating Theme Kits

See this *Info2Go!* Session: It's In the Bag – an encore presentation by Bekka Hanson and Catherine Stanton at the Madison Library District. They presented how they have built a variety of theme kits to check out to all ages. You can access the archive and slides at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/info2go>.

Free Summer Reading Materials from PBS Kids

From Cindy Lunte, Education Specialist for Idaho Public Television:

I will be receiving summer activity books and bookmarks from PBS in the next 2 weeks that I can offer to libraries for their summer reading programs. Please limit your request to no more than 250 copies of each. (If you really need more than 250 copies, please let me know and, if I have extras, I can add more to your request.) The response we got last year for the materials was very positive, so I think the kids will enjoy them. I will try to pay for the mailing costs, though if you are coming through Boise and can pick them up, that would be wonderful.

Request now...

SUMMER READING NEWS

Backpacks for School Visits and Parks Passes for Prizes

We still have some backpacks and parks passes available. Idaho Public and Community libraries can request these! Request yours here: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/state-parks-passes-and-drawstring-backpacks>

Promote your SRP with these PSAs from CSLP

2017 PSAs promoting summer reading are available from the CSLP (Collaborative Summer Library Program) website for your use and distribution:

www.cslnreads.org/2017-psas

Enjoy and share these PSAs targeted to children and to adults, along with several messages from 2017 National Summer Reading Champion, multiple award-winning author [Kwame Alexander](#). The PSAs in this collection are great for sharing on social media and library websites, and not all of them use the "Build a Better World" slogan if your library is using something different.

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Web Banners for "Build a Better World" available on the CSLP website

Go to www.cslnreads.org and login. Click the Proprietary Downloads tab. On the left click on Web Banners.



Results from Annual CSLP Meeting:

2019 Slogan:

State representatives selected *A Universe of Stories* as the slogan for all age groups for the 2019 "Space" theme. The "Space" theme was selected at the 2016 annual meeting to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the landing on the moon.

2020 General Theme:

In addition to a 2019 slogan, state representatives also selected "Fairy Tales/Mythology/ Fantasy" as the general theme for 2020.

2020 Artist:

CSLP is happy to announce the artist for the 2020 Early Literacy and Children's artwork is **LeUyen Pham**.

LeUyen Pham is the illustrator of over fifty children's books. Her books include the best-selling *Freckleface Strawberry* series with Julianne Moore, the *Princess in Black* series by Shannon Hale, the *Alvin Ho* series by Lenore Look, and *Grace for President*, by Kelly S. DiPucchio, as well as her own self-authored, *There Is No Such Thing as Little*, *The Bear Who Wasn't There* and *Big Sister, Little Sister*. She also designed artwork used on the bookmarks for the "We Need Diverse Books" campaign in 2014.

Reminders about previous decisions made:

The 2018 theme is "Music," and the slogan is "Libraries Rock!" The artist for the children's artwork is Brian Pinkney.

And of course, the 2017 theme and slogan is "Build a Better World." The artist for the children's artwork is David Macaulay.

New CSLP Organizational Director

The CSLP announces Luke Kralik as its new Organizational Coordinator. Kralik will oversee all aspects of projects for CSLP, including contracts, strategic plans, online manual development, rules of use, membership support and the creation of an online storefront, among other things.

CSLP Committees

If you are curious about participating on a CSLP committee and helping to guide summer library program materials and resources available nationwide, email me at staci.shaw@libraries.idaho.gov. I can share some basic info and get you in contact with the appropriate committee chair or board member to connect you with CSLP work that meets your professional interests.

Summer Reading Booklists for Blind and Visually Impaired Students

By Sue Walker, Special Populations Consultant

Teachers from the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind are encouraging their students throughout the state to participate in Summer Reading at their local libraries. If any students ask about your Summer Reading programs, please welcome them and consider ways you can recognize them for reading over the summer.

Check out these braille and audiobook lists, listed by age group:

Continue reading...



Applications closed for Bright Futures Outreach programs

Thank you to all the libraries that applied for Parent Outreach, School Partnerships, and Reaching Underserved Children! The deadline to apply was April 7, and the application process is now closed.

CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Free Webinar provided by Infopeople

Emerging Tech Trends in Libraries – Part 7

Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 12 noon to 1 p.m.

With so much new technology coming at us so fast, it can be difficult to keep up. As part of the Emerging Tech Trends series, presenter Laura Solomon continues the exploration into emerging technology trends, and how these trends might (or might not) re-shape library services. Topics for this webinar include:

- How Artificial Intelligence continues to surprise us (Corporate audits, corporate directors, Pinterest, Humanitarian use, Legal and health care, Predicting what you'll buy)
- Shopping trends (Omni and multi-channel shopping, Even more mobile, Uber-ization of deliveries, Goodbye wallets)
- Live game streaming, Video is the new blogging, Sensors, Data storage gets really, really cheap, 3D printing is exploding

Remember, we can't track everything, but we can pick out some patterns in what's currently happening around us.

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

Build a Better World

LACK OF DIVERSITY

Diverse characters are scarce in kids' books. In a survey of 3500 titles:

5.1% were about African-Americans

3.2% were about Asian-Pacific Americans

1.9% were about Latinos

1.1% were about American Indians

Source: Cooperative Children's Book Center, February 2015

Consider building a better world through inclusion and diversity in children's books shared this summer. Creating a collection and designing programming that are diverse welcomes patrons from a range of cultural backgrounds. Building a better world means preparing children to be global citizens. When we aim for *inclusion*, we must put action behind diversity. Programming should introduce children to diversity. Feeding them positive experiences helps combat the negative news that pours from our screens.

Read more in [ALSC's blog](#).

KNOW THE NUMBERS



ENDANGERED! Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Elimination of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, as proposed by the Trump Administration's FY2018 Budget Blueprint, would fundamentally change the impact of the Idaho Commission for Libraries:

- Loss of 11 full-time positions, 29% of the staff,
- Loss of over 20% of the personnel budget, and
- Loss of over 36% of the operating budget devoted to programming and services for Idaho libraries.

The ICfL would need to cut most programs entirely and focus on one or two identified to be most critical to building the capacity of Idaho libraries, or change its mission. Here are some youth services programs provided by ICfL that are currently supported by IMLS funding through the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), that would be in danger of being eliminated or severely diminished:

Read to Me (RTM)

- 1.5 full-time positions
- Fun with Math & Science (17 public & school libraries)
- Child Care Reads workshops

- My First Books
- Every Child Ready to Read family workshops
- Jump Start Kindergarten
- RTM Rendezvous workshop for youth services staff
- Dia de los Ninos/Dia de los Libros
- Idaho Family Reading Week
- Year-round Underserved (books for outreach)

Summer Reading Program (SRP)

- SRP manuals and posters for all public libraries
- Bright Futures outreach (Reaching Underserved Children, School Partnerships, Parent Outreach)
- Libraries in the Park

School library development

- Summer Summit for school library staff
- Staff development: workshops, webinars, presentations, newsletter, partnerships
- Supporting Beginning Readers workshop for elementary school library staff

Teen Services

- Teen Tech Week
- Teen Read Week

Makelt at the Library STEM & maker programming

- 0.5 full-time position
- Makelt library staff training
- Makelt tools (3D printers, robots, Makey Makeys, circuit blocks, & books)

The Scoop

Yes, even *The Scoop* is endangered. It takes many hours of staff time each month to produce this newsletter, and if two positions were eliminated (see RTM and Makelt above) there wouldn't be enough staff to gather and disseminate all this great information each month!

LiLI Databases, Continuing Education, Talking Book Services, Mid-Life Adults...and more

See a full list of LSTA-supported programs at ICfL here: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/blogs/shirley-biladeau/icfl-programs-and-services-funded-through-lsta>

What is being done to communicate the importance of LSTA funding?

To see what the Idaho Library Association and other libraries are doing to communicate the importance of library programs supported by LSTA funding, see <http://www.idaholibraries.org/>. Several messages have gone out from ILA President Amy Vecchione on the LibIdaho listserv with specific information and contact information.



As you read *The Scoop* today, look for this symbol to see which programs and resources are endangered.

STEAM

Maker Camp



Several Idaho Libraries are taking advantage of the free resources available at <http://makercamp.com/>. Maker Camp is a virtual camp for young makers interested in DIY, creating, crafting, hacking, tinkering and discovery. Maker Camp is brought to you by the folks at [MakerMedia](#) and Google. Libraries are encouraged to sign up as a host for maker camp activities, those doing so will be listed on the [map](#). Some libraries, have been the recipients of affiliate kits. Last year, Clay Ritter (seen above demonstrating an egg drop) from Shoshone Public Library said “The affiliate kits this year are amazing. A set

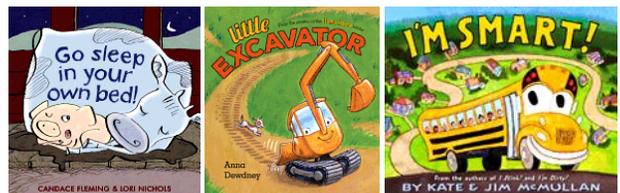
of musical little bits, a makey makey, tons of LEDs, copper tape, batteries, tape-on circuits, and a whole slew of straw-bees.” Even if you don’t want to sign up as an official camp site, consider perusing their website for STEM ideas during your summer programs. Projects, like making a [flying pendulum](#) or making [an amp from a cracker box](#), have step-by-step instructions with plenty of pictures, a list of things needed for making, and an estimated time for project completion. Give their website a gander and Happy Summer of Making!

BOOK LOOK

New Releases: Fun for Summer!

Picture Books

Go Sleep in Your Own Bed, by Candace Fleming. May 2. When Pig plops into his sty at bedtime, he finds Cow sleeping there and must send her off to her stall, setting off a chain reaction of animals being awakened to move to their own beds. (*SLJ Starred Review*)

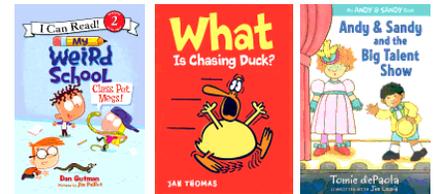


Little Excavator, by Anna Dewdney. June 6. Anna Dewdney's signature rhyming text and inviting illustrations make this a perfect read aloud for fans of things that go. One of Dewdney's final books. (*Kirkus Starred Review*)

I'm Smart! by Kate and Jim McMullan. June 20. From the popular creators of *I Stink!* and *I'm Dirty!* comes the perfect school-time addition to their noisy series: a school bus!

Easy Readers

My Weird School: Class Pet Mess! by Dan Gutman. June 6. A new series of Level Two I Can Read titles based on Dan Gutman's My Weird School series.



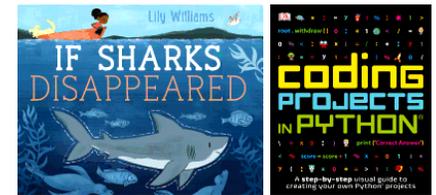
What Is Chasing Duck? by Jan Thomas. June 6. What is chasing Duck? A misunderstanding spirals out of control in this hilarious story from Jan Thomas that is sure to get young readers giggling.

Andy & Sandy and the Big Talent Show, by Tomie dePaola and Jim Lewis. June 13. Andy and Sandy hit the stage in this fourth book of an easy-to-read picture book series about friendship.

Nonfiction

If Sharks Disappeared, by Lily Williams. May 23. A nonfiction picture book tracing the repercussions of what would happen if sharks disappeared from our planet. (*Kirkus Starred Review*)

Coding Projects in Python (DK Publishing). June 6. Using fun graphics and easy-to-follow instructions, this straightforward, visual guide shows young learners how to build their own computer projects using Python, an easy yet powerful free programming language available for download. Ages 10 and up.



Middle Grade Fiction

Real Friends, by Shannon Hale. May 2. Newbery Honor author Shannon Hale and bestselling illustrator LeUyen Pham join forces in this graphic memoir about how hard it is to find your real friends and why it's worth the journey. (*Starred Reviews: SLJ, Publisher's Weekly, Booklist*)



Clayton Byrd Goes Underground, by Rita Williams-Garcia. May 9. From Newbery Honor winner and three-time Coretta Scott King Award winner Rita Williams-Garcia comes a powerful and heartfelt novel about loss, family, and love that will appeal to fans of Jason Reynolds and Kwame Alexander. (*Starred Reviews: Booklist, Publisher's Weekly, Kirkus, Horn*)

Brave, by Svetlana Chmakova. May 23. The charming world of Berrybrook Middle School gets a little bigger in this highly anticipated follow-up to Chmakova's award-winning *Awkward* with a story about a boy who learns his own way of being brave.

Middle School Mayhem (Misadventures of Max Crumbly #2), by Rachel Ren Russell. June 6. From *Dork Diaries* author Rachel Renee Russell comes the second book in an all-new series about Max Crumbly and his daily ups and downs in middle school.

The Emperor's Ostrich, by Julie Berry. June 13. Young dairymaid Begonia has lost her cow Alfalfa. So she has set off on a search across the countryside even though she has nothing but a magical map to guide her. Along the way she meets a mother and baby, a woodcutter, a very dirty young man, and an eight-foot ostrich. (*Booklist Starred Review*)

YA Fiction



Ramona Blue, by Julie Murphy. May 9. From the bestselling author of *Dumplin'* and *Side Effects May Vary*, comes another fearless heroine, Ramona Blue, in a gorgeously evocative novel about family, friendship, and how sometimes love can be more fluid than you first think. (*Starred Reviews: Booklist, Kirkus*)

Crazy House, by James Patterson. May 22. In a future world where teenagers are taken, imprisoned, and forced to fight for their survival, well-behaved Cassie will do whatever it takes to save her rebellious twin sister from Death Row.

Lord of Shadows (Dark Artifices #2), by Cassandra Clare. May 23. Sunny Los Angeles can be a dark place indeed in the sequel to the bestselling *Lady Midnight* (Shadowhunters).

Once and for All, by Sarah Dessen. June 6. A new Dessen novel set in the world of wedding planning.

Generation One (Lorien Legacies Reborn #1), by Pittacus Lore. June 27. The first book in a new series that's set in the world of the bestselling *I Am Number Four* series. The war may be over--but for the next generation, the battle has just begun.



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