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Welcome

Anticipation seems to be the word of the day as millions of us count down the mere hours until our copy of the last Harry Potter book is in our hands. I know many of you will be tired from your own library's Potter events (some of you are even doing a whole week of activities!!), but I hope you'll get to steal away and do some reading yourself. I'm headed to the mountains tomorrow for a read-a-thon weekend where no one can spoil the ending for me! Be sure to check the library-to-library section to see how your colleagues have been building on the excitement of Harry-mania. Cheers to reading! - *Stephanie*

Here are some items we wanted to highlight. Register today!

NEW! Storybook Characters @ your library! If you'd like to host a costume storybook character at your public library during Idaho Family Reading Week, November 11-24, 2007, now's your chance to apply! Go to the online form at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/node/2080> and fill it out for your library. **Deadline is July 25th!** You will receive an e-mail shortly after submitting the form so you'll know it was received.

NEW! Register for the **Storytimes Transformed Workshop** coming in September, 2007. See the [workshop flyer](#) and register online at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/everychild>.

NEW! LSTA Grant Workshops are headed your way in August. See the ICFL Events Sign-Up Calendar for locations and dates <http://libraries.idaho.gov/event/>.

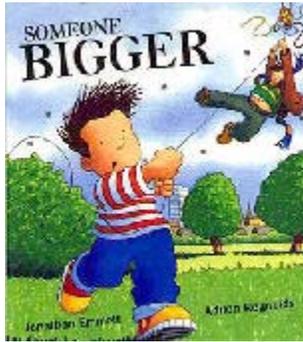
Meet Dawn Kindberg



Dawn Kindberg is a Library Associate working in the Public Services department at the Nampa Public Library. She has been in the library field for almost seven years, all at Nampa Public. Dawn says, "The Nampa Public Library is bursting at its seams....we have started that long (hopefully not too much longer) process of constructing a new building. Can you imagine serving 1,500 people a day with 16 parking spots?"

Dawn works with all ages, but she specializes in children's programming. This includes preschool storytime, lapsit if needed, summer reading, outreach promotion and book talks, and collection development for children and adults. She also does tours for all ages, including building history tours, research and general walk through tours, and she provides reference service to all ages, birth on up. Dawn has also been known to don

the Booker Bee mascot costume for outings into the community. In addition she trains volunteers and does literacy outreach.



"I have always enjoyed working with children, and having the opportunity to help children get excited about books is great!" Dawn said. Current projects she is involved in include coordinating summer reading, the [Passport to Adventure ...explore Canyon County program](#), setting up photo shoots for "Where's Booker" contest, starting a new Teen Advisory Group (first meeting in June), and ongoing collection development and reference service. Half of Dawn's time is spent on the Information Desk, working directly with the public, the other half is doing all the other activities, including collection development.

Dawn loves the variety that her job provides.

When asked about her favorite children's author / book, she said, "That's really hard...I really love Jonathon Emmett's **Someone Bigger** because I think it packs a powerful wump of empowerment! As a child **Stand Back said the Elephant, I'm Going to Sneeze** by Patricia Thomas is one that I remember lots! Recently, I just finished the Newbery winner *The Higher Power of Lucky* and happily read aloud the word 'scrotum' every time it appeared!

Dawn's favorite ice cream flavor is chocolate chip. When she is not working, she enjoys working in her flower garden.

Library to Library



Garden City's Teen Concert Rocks!

On Thursday, June 28 the Garden City Library hosted its first Teen Concert. "Phenomenal teen musicians Erienne & Jessamyn (pictured at left), and the bands Scam and Sarasque rocked out to an audience of over forty people. The Library's Jamie Williams helped book the show with the help of her talented daughters Erienne & Jessamyn. Fans endured the sweltering heat for over two hours to enjoy some amazing teenage tunes!" Youth Services Librarian Melody Sky Eisler reported.



We have been visiting library websites this month to see what's planned for Harry Potter.

Ada Community Library in Boise is hosting a [Harry Potter Release Party](#) today, July 20th, from 9 p.m. to midnight. It will feature a magician, potions, games, crafts,

costumes, prizes & more for ages 5-12 years (all children must be accompanied by an adult).

Buhl Public Library hosted a Harry Potter Party to "Share in the Magic" on Thursday, July 19, 2007 from 7 to 9 p.m. The party featured Quidditch, crafts, food, fun and costumes.

The Burley Public Library invited families to come and celebrate the last book in J. K. Rowling's Harry Potter series. Families can participate in a HP discussion, games, quidditch, and something magical on July 20th from 9 p.m. - 12:01 a.m. Those families who want to read at the library after 12:01 a.m. can participate in a library sleepover.

Garden City Library will host a Harry Potter Party on Tuesday, July 24 @ 6 p.m. The public is invited to celebrate the release of the final Harry Potter book with a costume party! Fans may come dressed as their favorite Harry Potter character and be sorted into Hogwarts Houses, eat themed food, play games, make crafts and enter to win a copy of the *Deathly Hollows* book.

Lewiston City Library sponsored a "Welcome to Hogwarts!" program on July 14th at 1 p.m. Youth entered Hogwarts Academy to take wizard classes in The Care of Magical Creatures, Herbology, Potions and Divinations. Those who passed all their classes earned an Owl Certificate. One lucky wizard won a copy of the new book, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

Marshall Public Library in Pocatello is hosting Harry Potter week. Their celebration includes showing Harry Potter movies, a costume contest, an art and writing contest, and more. The library will provide prizes, enchanting treats, and fun!

Nampa Public Library is asking Wizards and Muggles to attend their Harry Potter Extravaganza. The Magical Re-opening of the library will occur at 10 p.m. - 1 a.m. this evening, July 20th, to celebrate the release of the final Harry Potter title. The festivities continue on Saturday, July 21st from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Young Adult Corner

What do Idaho digital natives have to say about libraries?

The Commission for Libraries contracted with Corona Research, Inc., based out of Denver, to conduct 12 focus group sessions with digital natives around the state this summer. Six sessions were held with 12 - 17-year-olds and the remaining sessions were for 18-24-year-olds. The sessions are finished and we are anxiously awaiting the final report. If you are interested in conducting a focus group of your own and would like a copy of the moderator's guide and questions that Corona Research used, please contact Stephanie and she'll e-mail a copy to you.

Corona Research Project Coordinator Leo Lewis wouldn't give us many hints at the major findings of the report, but he did share a few observations. "Participants in the younger groups were much less concerned with the technology associated with libraries than they were with the possibilities for social interactions at a physical library location. Nearly all of the participants in these groups expressed a desire for the availability of food and/or coffee at library locations, and wanted sections of the library to be available for 'being loud.' They generally perceived libraries to be used mostly by little kids or older people; few felt that there were many people at libraries that fell into their age range. This was expressed even by the group members that did use the public library on a relatively regular basis," Leo said.

He added, "Across all groups, participants were divided about the relationship between the Internet and libraries. Some people seemed to feel that the Internet would end up replacing the need for libraries, while others felt that the Internet was simply an additional research tool that needed to be available for use at libraries. It will be interesting to watch the groups and further gauge those perceptions. In the older groups, participants frequently associated the word 'quiet' with libraries, and felt that this was positive. Libraries were perceived to be a place where one could go to have some peace and quiet. The 18-25 year olds were also much more likely to state that they used books for entertainment and fun than were those in the younger groups."

We hope that whets your appetite for the final report! If you do decide to do a focus group session with your library's teen group, we'd love to hear what they said! Stay tuned for more information about this exciting research project.



Teens & Summer Reading

Teens are participating in summer reading in greater numbers. Here's what's happening at some libraries around the state:

Boise Public Library offers teens ages 12-17 an entry to prize drawing for books, pizzas, food coupons, Boise Hawks Baseball tickets, \$50 Gift Certificates, and more for every two hours they read during June and July. Everyone wins a prize for their first three entries. After that they can enter to win the \$50 gift certificate or a grand prize.

Buhl Public Library hosts teen summer reading programs on Wednesdays, June 14th - July 11th from 1-2:30 p.m. for 6th Grade - 10th Graders. Teen will explore the mysteries of:

- June 13th - Secret Codes And Cryptic Messages
- June 20th - "Tea with Ben Franklin" Portrayed by Tim McNeil
- June 27th - CSI Buhl with Les Howells
- July 11th - Clueless

Caldwell Public Library's summer reading program for teens (6th-12th grade) is using "You Never Know @ Your Library." Registration began June 1st and the program continues to July 31st. The program focuses on reading for fun and teens get a FREE book for every seven books read. Also, for every 7 books read and every program attended, the teen's name will be entered for the drawing for an MP3 player and other great prizes.

Here is their Friday Frenzy program schedule (door prizes, snacks & refreshments provided at all Friday Frenzy activities):

- June 8th 2 p.m. - Canyon County Coroner Vicki DeGeus-Morris
- June 15th: 2 p.m. - CSI-CPL Style (crime scene investigation) Someone has committed a crime.....We need to solve the mystery. When the crime has been solved we will be having a "Forensic Feast" - what else junk food!
- June 22nd 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Altered Book creation. You will be making an altered book of your own. Bring some pictures, embellishments and ribbon to spice up your book. We will be supplying the rest. Bring your own lunch, refreshments will be provided. (Only 25 tickets will be handed out. Sign up at Children's desk)
- June 29th 2 p.m. Crime Lab Captain Gary John will present a power point program and provide some hand on demo's of some the operations.
- July 6th 2-4 p.m.: Clue Game Day! Come join us for an exciting afternoon of fun, games and snacks
- July 13th 2 p.m.: Geocaching Geocaching Extraordinaire Dan-Da-Man will be giving a demonstration on Geo-Caching. Geo-Caching is an outdoor treasure-hunting game in which the participants use a GPS (Global Positioning System) or other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers (called "geocaches" or "caches") anywhere in the world. A typical cache is a small waterproof container containing a logbook and "treasure," usually toys or trinkets of little monetary value. Today, well over 350,000 geocaches are currently placed in 222 countries around the world, which are registered on various websites devoted to the sport. (Wiki 4-07) Bring a GPS if you have one.
- July 20th 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. "What will Happen to Harry?" Harry Potter game, guessing how the book will end. Will there be more books written? Join us for an afternoon of fun, games and snacks.
- July 30th 2 p.m. Grand Finale Party. Drawings for MP3 player and other prizes. Remember for every 7 books you read you will be entered in the drawing for the MP3 player

The **Coeur d'Alene Public Library's** youth department will host a Mystery Party with pizza and surprises on Thursday, July 26, at 5 p.m. This activity is for Summer Reading participants ages 11-18. Space is limited to 25 people. To join Summer Reading – the Young Adult theme is "You Never Know @ Your Library" – teens need to pick up a reading log in the Youth Department. They are also invited to participate in the library's

blog by going to www.cdalibrary.org and clicking on the "Teens" link. Participants can recommend books or teen websites.

DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert hosted a teen summer program every Friday in June.

Garden City Public Library hosts Teen Tuesdays @ 3 p.m. at the library to help write Xeenage a magazine written for teens by teens. The group meets in the young adult reading area of the library and anyone ages 13 – 18 years old is welcome.

Madison District Library in Rexburg held a teen summer reading program from June 4th through July 20th. Pick up a bookmark, bookbag, and a prize just for signing up! Read any LIBRARY book you like with a minimum of 180 pages (Young Adult or adult books are recommended. Books over 360 pages count for 2 books. For the first 6 books -- receive a prize from the prize box for each book read. After reading six books, you can enter the drawing once for each book you read. (The first 6 books don't count for the drawings.) Grand Prizes for the readers of the most pages will be awarded at the End of Year Party on Friday, July 27th. Please bring in your reading log by 2 p.m. on July 27th.

Marshall Public Library communicates with teens through their [teen blog](#) and **Jerome Public Library** also promotes their [teen summer program on their blog](#).

Meridian Public Library's teen (grades 6-9) Book Bandit club meets on Wednesdays June 13 through August 1 to share books and a sack lunch. The library also offers some awesome prizes just for teens who drop their completed reading slips in the teen drawing box, located in the new teen book display. The prize packs contents and drawing dates are as follows:

June 15 – Movie Mania package (4 movie tickets and candy for the show)

June 29 – Water fun package (2 tickets to Roaring Springs Water Park, sunscreen, and a new beach towel)

July 13 – Fantastic shopping package (gift certificates to Hastings and Fred Meyer)

July 27 – Now You Know reading package (Now You Know t-shirt and gift certificate to Barnes and Noble)

Moscow Public Library has a special program for kids 10 to 12. They include: author Elyse Cregar reading from her book *Feline Online* and N.D. Wilson reading *Leepike Ridge*. The final program will feature storyteller "Batsy" with puzzle stories and ice cream.

Shoshone Public Library is hosting teen nights at the library. Check out their WIKI at: <http://shoshone.pbwiki.com> where teens can check for updated books and ideas. DuctTape Origami has the most votes so far. In July the library will host a book and movie night (teens must read the book to watch the film and enjoy the food). Teens can also keep track of what is up next with the Summer Clues on the [Summer Clues Club page](#).

Book Look



Cow Crazy! By Stephanie Bailey-White

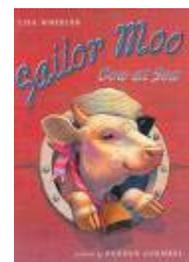
Ever since my daughter, Addie, was three years old, she's been crazy about cows. Not horses, llamas, goats or even kind-of cute little Shrek donkeys – only cows will do. When she turned eight, her dad picked out a one-day-old \$3 Jersey calf from the dairy down the street (see photo at the left). A year and 2,000 pounds later (see photo on right for a pic with a step ladder stuck on his head), Stuart the cow moved on to greener pastures. It was a good learning experience for us all (who



knew cows liked to eat pumpkins and Christmas lights!) and it was fun to bottle-feed him when he was little, but big cows aren't really that much fun and they are VERY hard to catch if they get out and start running for the nearest subdivision!

Our family's fondness for cows remains – thankfully mostly through some great books (and a giant cow collection housed in my daughter's room). In honor of Cow Appreciation Day, July 27th, I decided to share some of our favorite cow books (and a few that look fun but we haven't had a chance to read):

- Babcock, Chris. **No Moon, No Milk.** Crown, 1993.
- Becker, Suzy. **Manny's Cows: The Niagara Falls Tale.** HarperCollins, 2006.
- Crebbin, June. **Cows in the Kitchen.** Walker, 1999.
- Cronin, Doreen. **Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type.** Simon & Schuster, 2000.
- Cronin, Doreen. **Dooby Dooby Moo.** Simon & Schuster, 2006.
- Doyle, Malachy, **Cow.** Simon & Schuster, 2002.
- Egan, Tim. **Serious Farm.** Houghton Mifflin, 2003.
- Ernst, Lisa Campbell. **When Bluebell Sang.** Bradbury, 1989.
- Fleming, Denise. **The Cow Who Clucked.** Henry Holt, 2006.
- Kinerk, Robert. **Clorinda.** Simon & Schuster, 2003.
- Palatini, Margie. **Moo Who?** Katherine Tegen Books, 2004
- Paterson, Katherine, **The Smallest Cow in the World.** HarperTrophy, 1993. (I love this book)
- Speed, Toby. **Two Cool Cows.** Putnam, 1995.
- Vail, Rachel. **Over the Moon.** Orchard, 1998.
- Wheeler, Lisa. **Sixteen Cows.** Harcourt, 2002.



- Wheeler, Lisa. **Sailor Moo: Cow at Sea**. Atheneum, 2002.
- Wood, Jakki. **Moo Moo, Brown Cow** board book (what everyone gets for a baby gift from us!)
- And the whole **Minnie and Moo** series by Denys Cazet.



Upcoming Events

Looking ahead, save these dates:

August 2-5 - **Steinbeck Festival**. In commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the “Summer of Love,” the National Steinbeck Center presents a four-day festival of film, music, talks, and other “happenings.” This year’s festival will appeal to both the general public and the Steinbeck fan. We’ll explore the cultural forces that built to a head during the 60s—through the eyes of John Steinbeck. Find out more at www.steinbeck.org

August 18-24 - Children's Book Council of Australia, **Children's Book Week**. The Children's Book Council of Australia celebrates this event each year, identifying award-winning books in various categories and encouraging children to read. The theme for 2007 is "READiscover." Learn more about it at: www.cbc.org.au/bookweek.htm

August is also Get Ready for Kindergarten Month (for more check out www.surfnetkids.com/kindergarten.htm), Children’s Vision & Learning Month (see www.visionforlearning.org/ for additional information), and National Immunization Awareness Month (for more information go to www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/default.htm).

August Birthdays:

August 1 - **Herman Melville** (1819-1891). Melville was an American novelist, short story writer, essayist, and poet. Author of *Moby Dick*, *Billy Budd* and other fiction. www.melville.org/

August 9 - **Smokey Bear** (created in 1944). The Smokey Bear campaign is the longest running public service campaign in US History. Smokey's forest fire prevention message remained unchanged for 50 years until April 2001, when the Ad Council updated his message to address the increasing number of wildfires in the nation's wildlands. For more go to www.smokeybear.com/ .

August 12 - **Walter Dean Myers**. Myers has written dozens of books, including novels and non-fiction works. He is the author of *Hoops*, *145th Street*, *Handbook for Boys* and more. See www.scils.rutgers.edu/~kvander/myers.html for more.

August 13 - **Annie Oakley** (1860-1926). Phoebe Ann Oakley Mozee was named Phoebe Ann by her mother, but called Annie by her sisters. Whether it be a pistol, rifle, or shotgun, the legendary markswoman Annie Oakley was masterful with them all. Dubbed "Little Sure Shot" by Chief Sitting Bull (she was five-feet tall), her sharp shooting in Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show won her many awards and captivated audiences far and wide. Her name remains synonymous with firearms and entertainment. For more go to www.lkwdpl.org/WIHOHIO/oakl-ann.htm .

August 16 – **Matt Christopher** (1917-1997). Christopher was the author of the #1 Sports Series for Kids! Besides books, Christopher has had about 275 short stories and articles published in over 65 children and adult magazines. See www.ipl.org/div/askauthor/Christopher.html or www.mattchristopher.com/books/books.asp for some of his works.

August 22 - **Ray Bradbury** (born in 1920). Bradbury is one of those rare individuals whose writing has changed the way people think. His more than five hundred published works -- short stories, novels, plays, screenplays, television scripts, and verse -- exemplify the American imagination at its most creative. Some of his works include *The Martian Chronicles*, *Fahrenheit 451*, and *The Halloween Tree*. For more see www.raybradbury.com .



Summer Reading News



Summer Reading at ICFL

Kudos to all Idaho librarians, staff and volunteers for their hard work in bringing summer reading to their communities. The **summer reading report form** is now available online or you can print a copy and mail or fax it to ICFL. Our goal this year is to show an increase of 10% over last year's participation of 40,700. Please help us reach this goal by sending your stats and telling us all about your summer reading program.

The **Fred Meyer Foundation's free books** for summer readers have been distributed to 117 Idaho libraries. This \$15,000 grant enabled Idaho libraries to distribute 6,755 books. If you would like to thank the Foundation, please write:

Glynda Brockhoff
Philanthropy Coordinator
The Fred Meyer Foundation
PO Box 42121
Portland, OR 97242

The **Bright Futures Incentive Program** for summer reading outreach has also been a smashing success. Eighteen libraries participated in all five incentive opportunities and 76 libraries participated in at least one opportunity. [Read more](#)



School Partnerships



Karen Yother from the **Hayden Library** sent us this photo and said, "Summer is coming and I have great community partners! Our VISTA, Renee Kunas was just announced as the North Idaho regional VISTA coordinator. This will allow us to create a model for the other VISTAs and libraries in our area to create the fabulous partnership that we have with Atlas Elementary. Renee created a bulletin board at Atlas this spring to promote summer reading."



Libraries are having fun with their summer reading websites. Check these out:

[Ada Community Library's](#) website has a downloadable registration form, a calendar of programs and events, participation information, and links to the [teen program](#) and the [Star Branch](#) library's program.

[Coeur d'Alene Public Library's](#) main page features a blog which, this week, highlights First Lady Lori Otter's visit to the library. You can also follow links to information about their summer reading program.

[E. Bonner Co. District Library](#) - The library's main page links to their summer reading page. Also, patrons are invited to follow links on the main page to the library's [wiki](#) and enter their favorite book or add to an online mystery story.

[Kootenai Shoshone Area Libraries'](#) summer reading site has links to all seven branches' summer reading information. It also includes an [online registration form](#).

[Lewiston City Library](#) Follow links to find out about the library's [special programs](#), and their [adult summer reading program](#).

[Nampa Public Library](#) - Go to the website to play the [Booker Bee contest](#). Every week the library's Booker Bee mascot will be exploring Canyon County. Tune in to see where he is and where he's been! New mystery pictures will be revealed each week at Thursday Family Programs and the website. Watch on the website as more clues are revealed.

[North Bingham County District Library](#) - See photos from the library's [kick off party](#) and view the [staff wanted posters](#).



School Zone

School Zone will return in August - enjoy your summer vacation!

Know the Numbers

By the Numbers

528 Amazon Sales Rank of Susan Patron's *The Higher Power of Lucky* (winner of the 2007 Newbery Award) on February 17, and

31 Amazon Sales Rank of *The Higher Power of Lucky* on February 18, the day a New York Times article reported on the controversy over the book's use of the word "scrotum".

- Reported in American Libraries, April 2007



A Closer Look at Book Index with Reviews



Editor's Note: Cheri Rendler, an adult services librarian at Boise Public Library (pictured at left), presented a session at the Treasure Valley Regional ILA Conference on Book Index with Review and did a terrific job. She agreed to write an article for *The Scoop* with an emphasis on searching for young adult and children's materials. Thanks, Cheri! If you have a topic you'd like to learn more about, send an e-mail to [Peggy](#) or [Stephanie](#).

There are a myriad of books out there for children and teens- wouldn't it be nice to have a quick and easy tool available that would help you find what your patrons were looking for? Check out the Book Index with Reviews (BIR) database available through the LiLI portal at www.lili.org.

Why use Book Index with Reviews? It has over four million fiction and nonfiction book titles for all ages, and also includes music and video titles. The database lists forthcoming titles, has an alert feature for new items and includes the ability to view the table of contents, first chapter, and reviews for many of the books. You can even create booklists using the information drawn from BIR.

BIR has three ways to search: basic, advanced and browsing.

The basic option works best for most searching, using the top search box for keywords, author names or a combination of both. The search is not case sensitive and words can be in any order, including author names. Results are sorted by popularity based on sales to libraries and bookstores and tend to be broad, but usually you can find what you're looking for in first 2-4 pages of results.

Advanced searching is useful if you want to combine fields in your search. For example, searching a series name with an author, words in a review such as "easy to read" with a subject or combining subjects to get more targeted results.

In both basic and advanced searching, limiters are a powerful way to focus your results. Some options for limiting include fiction or nonfiction, in print or forthcoming, grade level, lexile score, number of pages, publication date and whether a listing contains reviews.

The browsing feature lets you search new releases and forthcoming titles by BISAC subject headings. BISAC is the subject categorization system used by bookstores and the publishing industry. You can search for subject headings by clicking on the alphabet letter or typing in a subject keyword, which will take you to the closest matching term. You can also browse author lists and title lists, most effectively used by typing in an author's last name or the beginning of a title, respectively. There is a separate subject list that can be browsed three ways. BIR combines the resources of EBSCO, Novelist, and Baker and Taylor to utilize three different subject categories: BISAC, Library of Congress, and General (Baker and Taylor). The last of the browsing features is by Dewey number.

Following are a few examples of ways you can use BIR to find books for children and teens.

Find additional books by a favorite author. Use the author browse feature, type in "Montgomery, Lucy", and choose Lucy Maud Montgomery to see all titles by this author. Click on a title to see the reviews and additional information on subject listings.

Find fiction books about horses for a voracious reading fifth-grader. In the basic book search box, type "horses" and choose the limiters of fiction, juvenile, Grades 4-6, reviews and page count from 150 to 200. Perform search to see the results with reviews. Note that reviews are from industry journals such as Booklist,

Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal, Kirkus and others you may be familiar with.

Find books about the U.S. civil rights movement for a high school class. Use advanced search and the field of subject and type “civil rights movement” and use option “All Words”. Choose subject again and type “United States” and use the “All Words” option. Use the limiters of nonfiction and Grades 10-12. Perform search to see results.

Create a list of forthcoming fiction books for teens. Use basic book search and leave the search box blank, choose limiters of fiction, Grades 7-9 and 10-12 (choose both by holding down the control key on the keyboard when choosing). Also choose publication date range of August 2007 to June 2008. Perform search to see the results. Read short annotations or reviews to find titles of interest and use title and author information to create a booklist to give to teens.

These are only a few examples of using BIR to find titles of interest. The database can also be used to search for books in a certain lexile range, or to search for music and video titles. Give it a try and see how you like it!

Tips & Tools

New Books!



The Idaho Commission for Libraries Professional Development Service (PDS) provides access to numerous titles in the field of library and information sciences. Free shipping to and from your library is provided! See <http://libraries.idaho.gov/pds> for more information. The following are a few of the recent additions.

Book Crush for Kids and Teens: Recommended Reading for Every Mood, Moment, and Interest, by Nancy Pearl, Sasquatch Books, 2007. Nancy Pearl has a knack for connecting a subject, setting, or character with the right reader. Whether your young reader has yet to experience his or her first book crush or his devoured every Harry Potter novel multiple times, this book points the way to a new and wonderful world of reading. [ICFL 028.5 PEARL]

Crash Course in Children's Services, by Penny Peck, Libraries Unlimited, 2006. Even in small rural libraries managed by small staffs, children's services are critical. This handbook gives practical advice on performing essential duties in the Children's Room of the public library. The tone is “how to” with little theory, as the book provides a simple overview of child development and the fundamentals of day-to-day services. [ICFL 027.62 PECK]

Connecting With Reluctant Teen Readers: Tips, Titles, and Tools, by Patrick Jones, Neal-Schuman, 2006. This book shares the thoughts of authors, editors, publishers, librarians, and teachers to get “talking points” on the topic of what works, what doesn’t, and why we should push teens to read. It provides solutions for some of the most challenging issues and brings together many lists of books that will grab teens’ attention. [ICFL 028.5 JONES 2006]

A Year of Programs for Teens, by Amy J. Alessio and Kimberly A. Patton, ALA, 2007. Teens need especially exciting and dynamic programs to encourage them to use the library and its resources. In this book two young adult specialists take teen service to a new level with step-by-step instructions for planning teen programs. All the programs in this collection have been tested in real libraries with live teens. [ICFL 027.62 ALESSIO]

Libros Essenciales: Building, Marketing, and Programming a Core Collection of Spanish Language Children’s Materials, by Tim Wadham, Neal-Schuman, 2007. Latinos are the fastest growing ethnic population in the United States. With a cultural heritage rooted in many countries, the children of this demographic share an exciting blend of cultures. Though most of these students are bilingual, they consistently score lower on language skills tests than their counterparts who speak English alone. As a children’s librarian who has worked directly with these young people, the author has seen first hand the positive difference that librarians, teachers, and caregivers can make by facilitating their linguistic development and reinforcing their cultural heritage. [ICFL 025.2 WADHAM]

News Beyond Idaho

Small Town Library in Washington State Transforms

The Family Place project consists of a network of children's librarians nationwide who believe that literacy begins at birth, and that libraries can help build healthy communities by nourishing healthy families. A recent addition to the project is the [Tukwila Library](#), located 12 miles south of Seattle and a branch of the King County Library System (KCLS). Check out their website to see what the library is doing to enhance its services to families. The library began a transformation January 1st to reflect a special focus and cost-effective partnership to serve the entire community. With a focus on services and activities for children, while offering up-to-the-minute popular books for adults, the Tukwila Library will continue to provide quality service and access to all the astounding resources the KCLS has to offer. For more information on the Family Place project, go to www.lff.org/programs/family.html#about.



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