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DATES & DEADLINES

- **Summer Reading Program Report**, due **Sept. 15**
- Idaho Library Association Conference is **October 1-2**. [Register](#) today.
- Save the Date: **Read to Me Rendezvous**, Nov. 5-6, 2015
- Idaho Family Reading Week is **November 15-21**. This year's theme is "Curl Up with a Classic." [Register](#) today.
- Save the Date: Literacy Summit on **November 20**
- [Register](#) for **Teen Read Week** by September 30th

WELCOME

By Erica Compton

Fall is one of my favorite seasons – right up there with spring, summer and winter of course! But this year I cannot believe how quickly it snuck up on me. My daughter started 4th grade, the temperatures dropped to where I actually needed a blanket to sleep, and the leaves started their turn toward red and gold.



And we know you're just barely recovering from Summer Reading, but please take a moment to scan this month's Scoop. You will hear about new grant opportunities, get information on Family Reading Week, and perhaps get inspired to try new programming ideas.

LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

A Soldier's Story in Buhl

As part of the Every Hero Has a Story summer reading program, Buhl Library hosted a very successful program that honored their local soldiers. [Click here](#) to see a photo collage sent by Youth Services Librarian Linda Henderson.

Bellevue Library Is Bursting at the Seams!

This little video is a great example of how libraries can reach out to their communities (and beyond) to garner support.

[View video](#)

Baby Mouse Visits Coeur d'Alene

The Coeur d'Alene Public Library invited Baby Mouse to several summer reading events in July, including their Superhero Training Academy. Baby Mouse helped the kids lift weights, gave away bookmarks and Super Reader suckers (idea from summer reading manual), posed for photos, and generally wore the children out! She then visited the Fernan Elementary (now the Fernan STEM Academy)

school library, which was open two days each week over the summer to provide additional access to books and learning activities to the children in the neighborhood. Fernan students received copies of Baby Mouse's books, and one very excited student created a card and model for her. Baby Mouse greeted well over 100 children in the area during her visit. "Delivery and return [of the costume] was an absolute piece of cake," said CDA Youth Services Librarian Susan Thorpe. "The kids loved her... we are considering bringing in another character for National Library Week this year." You can rent a character from [Costume Specialists](#) for around \$140, and since rental times are generally several days to a week, you can share the costume and rental cost with other libraries in your area.



Literacy in the Park- Part Trois

What do you get when you mix a sack lunch, great stories, fun activities, and the opportunity to borrow good books? You get Literacy in the Park, which is a model that ICfL has been implementing for three years. As a pilot program it has evolved over the years and we are interested in where it will take us in the future.



Parks all over Boise and Garden City are lunch sites for the Idaho Foodbank. It is to these sites that librarians and community volunteers go to provide some literacy enrichment one day a week. Some unique elements of this year's program are:

- Almost every library staff at Hillcrest branch of Boise Public Library participated in Literacy in the Park activities. They went to Borah Park in pairs so that less experienced staff got to see storytime modeled, and there were two people to help with STEM activities and book selection.
- ICfL provided more signage to promote the program and library services. Feather flags and colorful tablecloths used

as ground covering encouraged children and their families to come see what was happening and join in the fun.

- A large donation of 10,000 books from the United Way book drive provided a bigger and better selection of books to borrow and to keep. Our rate of return was still around 20%, but we're hoping those books are being read and enjoyed in some child's home.
- We included the Bells for Books bus as a facilitator as they went out to two of the sites on their routes. They didn't do the activities, but storytime was enjoyed and books were borrowed.
- We attended the Picnic in the Park kickoff and met Antoine Turner, a Boise State football player who is giving back to the community by talking about his experiences with childhood hunger. He agreed to do a photo shoot for a Read poster, which will be available shortly. It is pretty cool!
- We were able to do a short literacy training to the Foodbank staff and the Boise Parks and Rec staff. Knowledge is power, and now that many more people understand the importance of preventing summer learning loss and supporting us in our efforts.



There are many reasons that children are not reading over the summer. Sometimes it's because they don't enjoy reading and don't want to if not required. At other times it's because they don't have many books in the home. We heard one story of a family who was going through a divorce. The mom and children had moved, but their belongings were still in boxes and they didn't have access to their books. We were told it had been a tough summer for them, and grandma was grateful for the opportunity to borrow books and attend a program like Literacy in the Park with her grandchildren.

Other communities have taken the Literacy in the Park model and adapted it to their needs. We love hearing stories about how you're taking books out to the streets to ensure that all children have access to books during the summer. The Picnic in the Park program serves over 1,000 lunches a day. We do not see that many children in our

program, but the potential is there. Who are you serving over the summer?

YOUNG ADULT CORNER

Get Ready for Teen Read Week™

Attention Idaho public and school library staff!



This year your tweens and teens can Get Away @ your library *anytime* during the month of October. Register your celebration with the Commission by September 30th and be entered for a chance to receive a set of the new *Teens' Top Ten* hardcovers.

This year we challenge your teens to create their very own get-away and share their vision with us! Whether it's a deserted island, a tropical paradise, a threatening dystopia, or a spaceship in a distant galaxy – tell them to have fun and let loose the creative juices. All they need to do is design a PPT, a video, a graphic, a prezzi or some other medium which explains their vision and enter it by the deadline of November 6th.

Still need more information? Then read all about it [here](#).

To register for the ICfL opportunity use this link.

Register

And while you are at it please register your event nationally with ALA so they can see what we are up to in Idaho!

Register

Please help us promote the Teens' Top Ten! Have your teens vote for their favorites!! See more on this opportunity under UPCOMING EVENTS below.



ALSAblog Featured Blog Post: Back to Afterschool: Why Informal Learning

The reason I ask is that a lot of times I hear library staff working for and with teens talk about the great programs they sponsor and develop with teens - robot making and coding and creative writing - but I don't hear much about the why. Want to learn more?

[Continue Reading...](#)

Want to learn more about why afterschool and out-of-school learning matters? Check out the great infographics on the America After 3PM website.

Learn More

Banned Books Week – Join the Fun

The brainstorming has begun! Writers, librarians and teachers are starting the discussion about what to write, what books to display, and what to teach. Go to [#bannedbooksweek](#) to join the sharing. Let us know what events are coming up.



Teen Tech Week™ - Save the Date!

March 6-12, 2016

Create it @ your library

Registration opens in November! www.ala.org/teentechweek.

SCHOOL ZONE

How I Spent My Summer Vacation

This summer has been a whirlwind of travel, activity and learning here at the School Libraries desk at ICfL. Topping the list of favorites of the summer were opportunities to meet many Idaho school librarians from all parts of the state. Running a close second was learning about new trends and developments in Libraryland to bring back to our state. So, in the spirit of the traditional back-to-school essay, here is How I Spent My Summer Vacation.

Summer Summit 2015 for School Librarians was a success! This year we tried something new; the first day of the Summit was a meeting for School District Library Coordinators. Twelve supervising school librarians attended a day kicked off by opening remarks from Fritz Peters, Principal of Wood River Middle School in Hailey. Mr. Peters shared the reasons the school library should be the center of the school and the benefits for students and teachers of a vital school library program. It was an excellent start to a day of conversation about school library issues, new trends in librarianship and success stories.

[Continue Reading...](#)



Banned Books Week

(September 27 – October 3, 2015) celebrates the freedom to read and highlights the value and free and open access to information. There are lots of unlikely books that have been challenged and/or banned. For example, did you know Charlotte's Web by E.B. White was challenged in a Kansas school District? Read about it here: <http://bannedbooks.world.edu/2011/04/03/banned-books-awareness-charlottes-web-eb-white/>. Another surprising banned book: Little Women by Louisa May Alcott. Learn more about ALA's Banned Books Week at <http://www.bannedbooksweek.org/> or <http://www.ala.org/bbooks/bannedbooksweek>.

Letters About Literature is gearing up for the 2015-2016, which is the 23rd year of the contest! This is an excellent class or individual contest that ties directly to the Idaho Core Standards in Reading and Writing. Check out the guidelines [here](#).

The 23rd annual writing contest for young readers is made possible by a generous grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, with additional support from gifts to the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, which promotes the contest through its affiliate Centers for the Book, state libraries and other organizations.

Low Hanging Fruit -- Searching Databases vs. Search Engines

Low Hanging Fruit is a monthly 1-page newsletter that school librarians can use to communicate with classroom teachers about the resources available for them in the library. Every month there is a short article on a topic that is relevant to classroom teachers, along with Links to More Learning, a Practical Application, and related digital tools that are available in the school library through LiLI. In October we will attach a sample Page 2, along with the regular 1-page issue, to use for your library's information. There will be space for customized information with headings like "new arrivals," "student book reviews," "events in the library," a calendar, and any other information coming from the library. Librarians will be able to edit the headings to make the content of Page 2 fit each school's needs. We will also send a link to a survey so school librarians can provide input and suggestions on how to make the Page 2 idea easy and useful. As in the past, Low Hanging Fruit can be distributed to teachers by email, through a link on your website, or with paper copies. <http://libraries.idaho.gov/low-hanging-fruit>

Nonfiction Book of the Month

This month's book is Percy Jackson's Greek Gods by Rick Riordan.
<http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/non-fiction-books-month>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Observe the Moon Night

Saturday, September 19 is **International Observe the Moon Night**. The whole world has the chance to admire and celebrate our moon on International Observe the Moon Night. And you can join in the fun!

Check the map of registered observation events at <http://observethemoonnight.org> to see if an event is being held near you. If not, please consider registering and hosting one and inviting your community. If you don't know where to start, click on "Get Involved" on the website to learn how to host an event in seven easy steps. Do you need suggestions for hands-on activities? Visit <http://observethemoonnight.org/activities/> for ideas.



Idaho Family Reading Week Plans are Gearing Up!

The unique celebration of reading that is held annually in Idaho is on the horizon. "Curl Up with a Classic" is the theme chosen for the activities and books ICfL will be providing public and school libraries. Idaho Family Reading Week will be held November 15-21, and registration for the event will open on September 30. Resources that will be provided include storytime outlines, booklists, extension activities for classic books, classic books for giveaways, and an electronic version of storybook recipes. So start thinking about where Peter Rabbit could show up in your library, or having a hat contest for *Caps for Sale*. The possibilities are endless.

Idaho Library Association Annual Conference

The ILA Annual Conference will take place October 1-2, 2015 at Boise State University's Student Union Building with a theme of: Libraries Leading the Way! Information about the conference program, hotel info, venue, etc. can be found on the conference website. To register, visit the conference registration page.

[Learn More](#)[Register](#)

Teens' Top Ten

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Nominators are members of teen book groups in sixteen school and public libraries around the country. Nominations are posted on Celebrate Teen Literature Day, the Thursday of National Library Week, and teens across the country vote on their favorite titles each year. Readers ages twelve to eighteen will vote online between August 15 and Teen Read Week™ (October 18-24, 2015) at www.ala.org/yalsa/reads4teens; the winners will be announced the week after Teen Read Week. See all the Teens' Top Ten books, plus titles from YALSA's other awards and booklists, in the [Teen Book Finder App](#).

Celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* Oct. 22, 2015!

Launched in October 2000, *Lights On Afterschool* is the only nationwide event celebrating afterschool programs and their important role in the lives of children, families and communities. The effort has become a hallmark of the afterschool movement and generates media coverage across the country each year.

The Afterschool Alliance organizes *Lights On Afterschool* to draw attention to the many ways afterschool programs support students by offering them opportunities to learn new things—such as science, community service, robotics, Tae Kwon Do and poetry—and discover new skills. The events send a powerful message that millions more kids need quality afterschool programs. www.afterschoolalliance.org/loa.cfm



TIPS AND TOOLS

Call for Nominations: 2015 National Medal for Museum and Library Service

Nominate Your Museum or Library. The next deadline for nominations is October 1, 2015. The nomination forms and instructions for this deadline are currently available. Nominate your museum or library now!

[Learn More](#)

Next Steps Idaho Website Launched!

Check out this one-stop online resource for Idaho students and families thinking about and preparing for life after high school. The site is now live and can be seen at NextSteps.Idaho.gov.

ALSC Curiosity Creates Grant

The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), is requesting proposals from public librarians for the Curiosity Creates grant. ALSC will distribute funds to up to 77 public libraries in the amount of \$7,500 to develop and implement creativity programs for children ages 6 to 14. This grant is being funded by a generous donation from Disney.

[Learn More](#)

YALSA/Baker and Taylor Conference Grants

YALSA and Baker and Taylor want to send you to Orlando! If you've never attended ALA Annual and are a school or public librarian or a graduate student, you may qualify for one of YALSA's grants to attend the conference. Find out all the details and apply [here](#).

Idaho Afterschool Network's Website Live!

The new Idaho Afterschool Network has been working hard on a design for their new website and it is now up and running! <http://idahoafterschoolnetwork.com/>



YOUR HELP NEEDED!

Would you like your library listed on the statewide interactive map and directory as an out-of-school resource for your community? If so, then all you need to do is complete Idaho's 2015 Out-of-School Survey and put your program on the map!

[Learn More](#)

First Book Marketplace Offers Clothing

Access to basic clothing items is super important to a child's ability to succeed. Kids need coats to wear at the bus stop on chilly mornings, fresh socks to play sports, and clean underwear and shirts to feel confident at school. So for the first time, the First Book Marketplace is offering a variety of brand new basic clothing items for kids of all ages. Visit their new [clothing section](#) and share this resource with your community.

SUMMER READING NEWS

Only Five Days Left!

Please submit your summer reading program report by **September 15**. Those that submit on-time will be entered to win a free 2016 summer reading t-shirt! (and the shirts this year are SUPER cool!)

<http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-reading> (scroll to bottom)

It takes a lot of staff time to make reminder phone calls, so please submit on time or email [Staci](#) to ask for an extension.

I Survived!

Now what do I do with my summer reading program data?

You've finished your program, compiled your numbers, and submitted your Summer Reading Program Report. You've got loads of photos from your various programs and outreach. Other than posting to Facebook, consider compiling a brief overview of your successes for your stakeholders. Let your Board know how well your programs were attended, how funds were used, how your library met the needs of the community or how you could better serve them next year... Or put together some numbers and photos for your sponsors and volunteers.

Here are two easy ways to share your success:

- [Garden Valley Library "Thank You" to Sponsors and Volunteers](#)
- [Template to compile an End-of-Program Brief](#) (just fill in your numbers!) ~ Oregon State Library

Overview of 2016 Summer Reading Program at ILA

Yes, we know you just finished your 2015 summer reading program, but the starting line for 2016 is actually in October-- It's never too early to Get in the Game! Start your training now with an overview of the 2016 CSLP theme, slogans and artwork. This session will Exercise Your Mind as you begin formulating your game plan and assembling your team. On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!

2016: A Summer Reading Program of Olympic Proportion (SIMPLOT B)

Friday, October 2, 2:45 – 3:45

[Learn More / Register](#)

Little Libraries Help Reach Families throughout the Community

By Savannah Nelsen, Lewiston City Library Summer Associate

The second year of Little Libraries implementation into the Lewiston City Library Summer Reading Program was a great success. The ability to carry Little Libraries to different sites throughout the city of Lewiston helped the library reach many families who do not have library access in the summer. Every week through the Summer Reading Program Little Libraries were taken to McGhee Elementary School, a free summer lunch outreach site, and Read Play Learn in Lewiston's beautiful Pioneer Park. At McGhee Elementary the public library provided a craft each week along with Read and Return books from the Little Libraries program. Read Play Learn is an ongoing partnership between Lewiston City Library and Lewiston City Parks and Recreation Department where families enjoy storytime, singing, dancing, outdoor activities and the exciting opportunity to choose a book to take home from Little Libraries. The Idaho Commission for Libraries provided most of the Read and Return books for the Little Libraries program.



Little Library participants take a look at the book selection.

At the end of the program the highest number of books that went out was from McGhee Elementary. In our sixth week of the program 75 Read and Return books were put into the hands of children who might otherwise have had no access to books this summer. Each week we were able to take over 150 books with a wide variety of topics and authors for the children to choose from. Overall, a total of 570 books were selected by children throughout the community this summer thanks to Little Libraries. Those books went into the hands of families who may not



Children with their books at Read Play Learn.

have any books at home or have never been to the public library. There were also families who go to the public library often but enjoyed the convenience of one of the outreach locations available in the community. Little Libraries is a wonderful program to help encourage parents and children to read more and it allows those children access to high quality books. It also lets them choose something they truly want to read. In turn, they become excited about the ability to choose a book they are interested in and read one after the other, week after week, during the summer months.

Because of these great accomplishments in reaching out into the community, and how many books were handed out, Little Libraries was a big success and will only get better as more families are reached. Thank you to the Idaho Commission for Libraries for helping the Lewis-Clark Valley gain access to books and for giving children the opportunity to discover what fun it can be to find a book to fall in love with.

FEATURED:

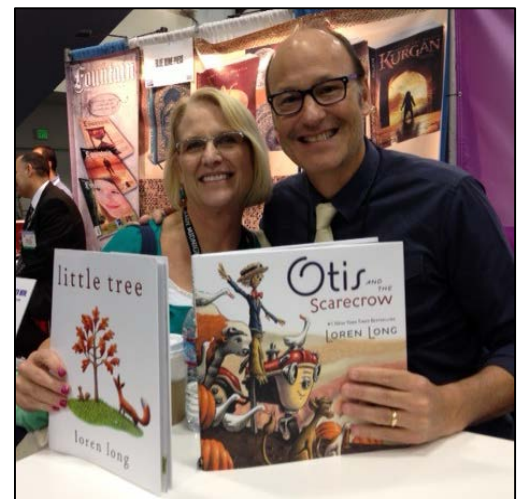
Attending ALA: An Experience of a Lifetime

By Heather Stout, Lewiston City Library

One of my dreams as a professional Librarian has been to someday attend ALA. As a Youth Services Librarian, this was always a difficult choice to make, as the annual ALA conference is always scheduled for mid/late June – right in the middle of Summer Reading! But this year, my dream came true. With the help of an ICfL's first-time attendance grant, I attended the 2015 Annual ALA conference in San Francisco, CA. It was an incredible adventure and one that every person who works in a library should experience.

I read up on what to and what not to bring to ALA, I listened to webinars intended for first-time ALA attendees, I google mapped everything.....I was ready! Off I went and this is what I learned:

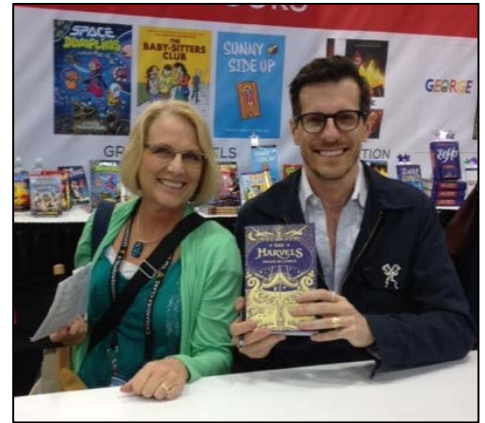
YES, do wear your comfy shoes because you will be walking a lot. YES, do bring packaging tape as you will be mailing books, books and more books back to your library, and YES do dress in layers as the conference rooms are chilly.



Heather with Author Loren Long

Take in the workshops, as you will be exposed to nationally recognized leaders in their respective fields. I listened to Pittsburgh Public Librarians speak of their experience instituting technology into all their children's programming. After attending "All Hands on Tech: Explore, Play & Imagine, Interactive Tech Time in Children's Programming," our library is exploring funding opportunities to bring ipads into our storytimes. We now have a wealth of information on mobile apps for children that we can use with our Rover Smartboard initially, and eventually ipads. I learned about "LittleBits:" electronic building blocks in which each block has a specific function (ie, motion, lights, sound, sensors, internet connectivity). Our Friends group was so impressed with LittleBits, they agreed to buy a workshop set to use with our STEAM workshops. I was exposed to "Bee-Bots." Bee-Bots are robots designed to be used by young children. They are an effective tool for learning sequencing and problem-solving. Lewiston City Library will be introducing Bee-Bots into our children's programming as well.

Make sure your schedule includes a symposium or two. I attended "Millennials in Transition" with Bridgeworks Speaker Kim Lear. Kim Lear is a nationally recognized expert on generational theory. The events and conditions we experience during our formative years has a huge impact on who we become as adults. Baby Boomers look at life very differently than Millennials. Kim Lear presented an overview of how each generation has changed and evolved over time due to what they experienced while growing up. She related these experiences to Library spaces as well as programming. Millennials love to create and innovate. They are huge users of maker-spaces. As such, they are far more interested in creating their own programs than coming to a pre-planned program. This is very important information as we go forward creating new spaces and building new libraries.



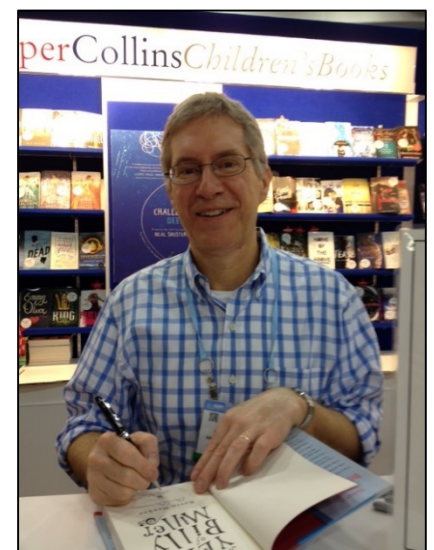
Heather with Author Brian Selznick

Do plan to attend at least one or two of the featured Speakers. I was lucky enough to hear both Roberta Kaplan and Gloria Steinem speak. Both spoke within hours of the Supreme Court ruling that the Constitution guarantees a right to same-sex marriage. Steinem stated that "Librarians Democratize Knowledge." She stated that "it's not about feminism, it's about humanity: it's about humanism – equality and empowerment for all, regardless of sex." She also spoke to the importance of libraries in their role as equalizers in society's access to information.

Don't forget the exhibit hall! Publishers have thousands of galleys to give away, while authors come and go all day long signing their latest books. There is more SWAG than anyone can possibly carry! I met Brian Selznick, Louis Sachar, Loren Long, Carter Goodrich and Kevin Henkes to name just a few. Talk with vendors and find out what's new. Play with the new toys – have fun!

Finally, take time to visit with other Librarians. What innovative tools are they using in their children's programs? How is their summer reading program going? What new gadgets are they adding to their STEAM programs? Share what you are doing, and collaborate on something new.

When you get home, write it all down as soon as possible. It has been a whirlwind of workshops, activities and fun, and you don't want to forget a single thing! Now you are eager and ready to try out new programming and new activities at your home library.....but get some sleep first!



Author Kevin Henkes



CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

As always there is a plethora of free online Continuing Education opportunities. You can read all about this month's offerings at <https://www.webjunction.org/find-training/free-events.html>.

Don't forget to sign up for Library Journal's Lead the Change event to be held November 10 at Boise Public Library – registration for Idaho library folks will be supported by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Library Services and Technology Act. Request registration via form found at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/leadership>. There are still 20 seats available – please complete request by September 15.

Are you an Accidental Teen Librarian – or a Teen Librarian looking for new ideas? Check out this great lib guide by Sarah Sogigian from the Massachusetts State Library. Here is the link to the accidental teen librarians webinar guide: <http://guides.masslibsystem.org/accidentalteen?hs=a>

The Idaho Department of Labor Career Information Systems will be holding regional workshops this month and in October for further exploration of the online CIS tool. Library staff are invited to register and attend. For more information and registration go to <http://labor.idaho.gov/dnn/id/IdahoCareerInformation/FallWorkshops.aspx>

A great online Idaho resource available to your library users.



MULTICULTURAL CONNECTIONS

National Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 through October 15

First Book Marketplace has tons of amazing books to lift up Hispanic culture and heritage this fall and all year long.

[More Info](#)

Serving Latino Teens - Podcast with Ady Huertas

YALSA's Cultural Competence Task Force is pleased to offer the latest in our podcast series that gives practical suggestions for librarians who work for and with youth and want to expand their outreach to traditionally underserved groups.

[Learn More](#)

For Parents: Tips for a Good School Year

This [bilingual tip sheet](#), also available as a pdf, outlines 10 things that parents can do at home to help their child have a good school year. Share these tips with parents at your library events.

Bilingual Resources

San Jose Public Library

A variety of resources available including booklists and parent handouts.
<https://www.sjpl.org/bilingualfamilies>

State of Oregon

Books in Spanish, news, research, songs, fingerplays and more can be found on this state site.
<http://www.oregon.gov/osl/ld/pages/youthsvcs/rfhf.spanish.resources.aspx>

Texas State Library and Archives

Choose your target age group and have access to a variety of storytimes which include books to share, fingerplays, songs, activities and more.
<https://www.tsl.texas.gov/ld/pubs/bilingual/index.html>

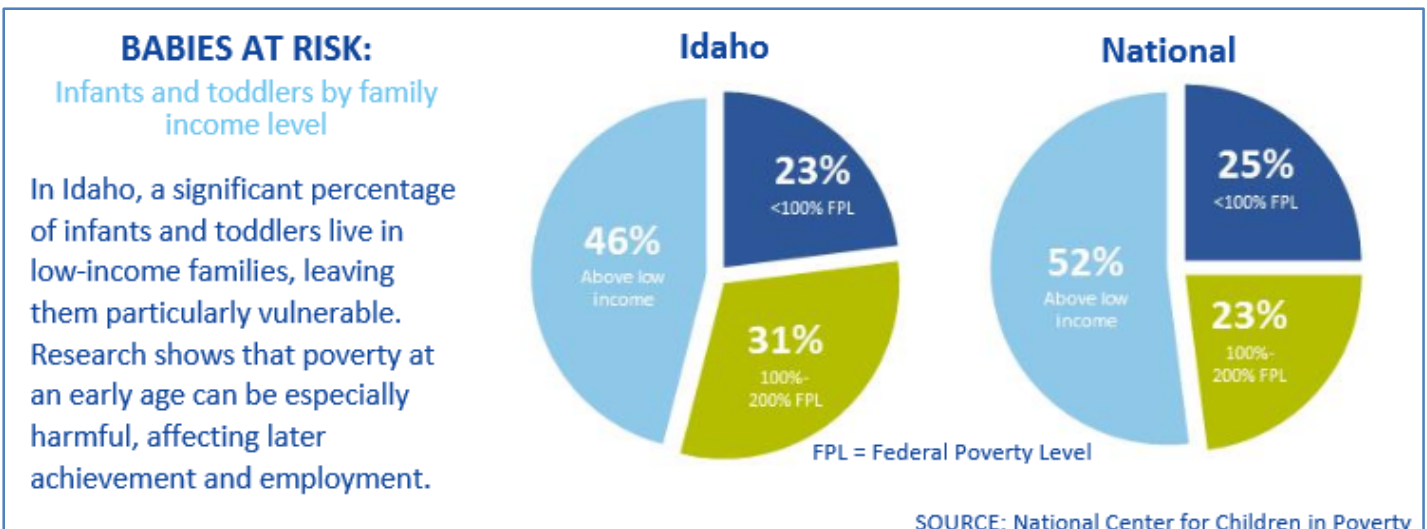
KNOW THE NUMBERS

State Baby Facts



ZERO TO THREE recently updated State Baby Facts, which presents infant and toddler data in the framework of good health, strong families, and positive early learning experiences, state by state. The basics about infants and toddlers in Idaho can be found at this [site](#). But here are just a few facts to get you started.

66,570	16%	6%	26%	54%	STATE	KIDS COUNT RANKING: 21 STATE RANKING FOR CHILDREN 0-18 WELL-BEING
11,886,860	16%	11%	34%	62%	NATIONAL	
Total population under age 3	Percentage of children under age 18 who are infants and toddlers	Live in families with parents who are unemployed	Live with an unmarried parent	Mothers in the labor force with infants		



STEAM IS EVERYWHERE

PBS SciGirls Connect – STEM Resources for Everyone!

Provides a wealth of media-enhanced resources in gender equitable and culturally responsive strategies for engaging children and families in STEM to these organizations through funded trainings and events.

SciGirls also developed [Engaging Latino Families: Key Ingredients for Successful STEM programs](#). The SciGirls CONNECT network serves 1,000+ educators and all of our resources are available in Spanish via our [en Español](#) tab.

[Learn More](#)

Idaho Juniors May Apply for Aerospace Program

Idaho high school juniors will have the opportunity to take a special science class that could result in their having an opportunity to visit the NASA Ames Research Center in Sunnyvale, Calif., next summer and meet top NASA scientists.

Registration will be open from Aug. 31 to Dec. 1, 2015, for the Idaho Science and Aerospace Scholars program, a cooperative program of the Idaho State Department of Education and NASA.

[Learn More](#)

Fun with Math and Science Resources

Over 30 libraries have registered to host family workshops focusing on early STEAM learning in 2015-2016. Even if you are not hosting family workshops, you can add STEAM to your events using some of the ideas listed on our website. Check out what some of the libraries have created and have fun trying out some new programming.



[Learn More](#)

Amy Poehler Creates Science Web Series

Watch "Experimenting with Megan Amram," a new comedic STEM web series for teenagers.

[Learn More](#)

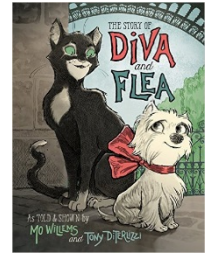
BOOK LOOK

Upcoming Book Releases

The Story of Diva and Flea - **Street Smart**

Contributor(s): **Willems, Mo** (Author), **DiTerlizzi, Tony** (Illustrator)

Pub Date: October 13, 2015



Happy - **Street Smart**

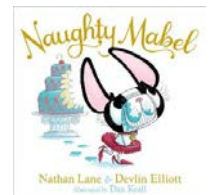
Contributor(s): **Williams, Pharrell** (Author), **Anonymous** (Author)

Pub Date: October 06, 2015

Bear Can Dance! (Goose and Bear Stories)

Contributor(s): **Bloom, Suzanne** (Author), **Bloom, Suzanne** (Illustrator)

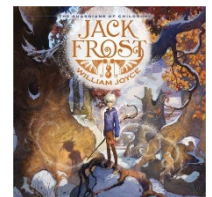
Pub Date: October 06, 2015



Naughty Mabel - **Street Smart**

Contributor(s): **Lane, Nathan** (Author), **Elliott, Devlin** (Author), **Krall, Dan** (Illustrator)

Pub Date: October 06, 2015



The Caretaker's Guide to Fablehaven

Contributor(s): **Mull, Brandon** (Author), **Dorman, Brandon** (Author)

Pub Date: October 13, 2015

Jack Frost (Guardians of Childhood (Hardcover)) - **Street Smart**

Contributor(s): **Joyce, William** (Author), **Joyce, William** (Illustrator)

Pub Date: October 27, 2015



The Princess in Black and the Perfect Princess Party (Princess in Black) - **Street Smart**

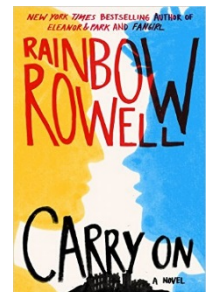
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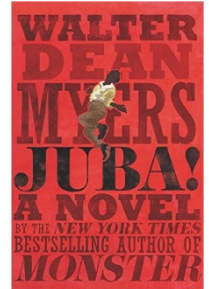
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