

The Scoop

Fun, inspiring and innovative ideas for library youth services

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DATES & DEADLINES

Idaho Family Reading Week registration is now open! Get excited to "Tell Me a Tale" this November 12-18.

Sept. 13-14:
Idaho Afterschool Network Summit

Sept. 15: Summer Reading Report Due

Nov. 2 & 3
Read to Me Rendezvous; Boise-registration begins next week.

Nov. 3-5:
YALSA Symposium

WELCOME

By Tammy Hawley-House

Welcome to the September edition of the Scoop. September is [Library Card Sign-up Month](#). It is a great time to get out into the community and remind people about all the great resources and services your library has to offer. Send us your photos of how you celebrated and how many new library cards you issued this month.



LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

Maker Camp at Kamiah Elementary



Circuit greeting card

Kamiah Community Library held an off-site Maker Camp this year at Kamiah Elementary during their Summer Food Service Program in July and August for kids 18 and under. We had 5 weeks of activities ranging from circuit

greeting cards to soap making and had better attendance than at our in-branch Summer Reading Program! All of our supplies were purchased with grant money from ICfL's Summer STEM From Your Library and Idaho STEM Action Center. Many people in the community were surprised and excited that we offered this new program and we hope to make it even better next year!

Submitted by April Blankenship

YOUNG ADULT CORNER

Teen Read Week

Register your library to participate and earn books for your library collection.

Participation Requirements:

- Celebrate Teen Read Week anytime during October 2017.
- All publicly funded school and public libraries in Idaho can participate



Idaho Libraries will earn current, hardback books based on the following criteria:

1. 1 book for every 10 books read by teens during Teen Read Week (Maximum 5 books per library)
2. 1 book for hosting a Teen Read Week activity
3. 1 book for completing the final survey
4. 1 book for every post by a teen on library social media tool (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) about why reading is fun or a fun book they have read (Maximum 5 books per library)

Note: Maximum 12 hardback books per library

Teens Top Ten

Get your teens involved in determining the best 10 books of last year. This is a "teens choice" list, where select groups of teens determine the nomination list and teens across the nation vote for their favorites. This year a group from Boise Public Library and local schools was chosen to be part of the nominating committee.

Learn more about the voting process at <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten>.



SCHOOL ZONE

Welcome Back to School!

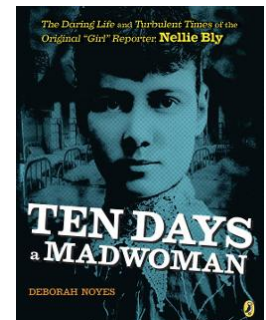
Welcome back to school, and welcome back to The School Zone! It has been a fun (if smoky) summer here in Idaho, and we hope everyone is returning refreshed, recreated, and ready to take on a new year. As we set up the library for the school year and settle in to the post-summer routine, here is some information about a few foundational matters that might be helpful to establish, revamp, or validate policies and practices....[Read more.](#)

Free Voluntary Reading Makes Better Readers

It goes by many names: DEAR (Drop Everything and Read); SSR (Sustained Silent Reading); DIRT (Daily Independent Reading Time); and maybe the best one, SQUIRT (Sustained Quiet Uninterrupted Reading Time). It's also called Free Voluntary Reading (FVR), and the idea for each is the same - reading what you like because you want to. [Read more.](#)

Book Review of *Ten Days a Madwoman*

In a time when American women had few choices and little control of their futures, Elizabeth Jane "Pink" Cochran, better known as Nellie Bly, made things happen. She is an excellent example of grit, tenacity and courage, even for modern students. [Read more.](#)



Summer Summit

Didn't get to attend Summer Summit 2017? Find the resources here: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-summit-2016-resources-and-presentations>

Read-Aloud 21-Day Challenge

Read Aloud: 15 MINUTES announces a new campaign, "The 21-Day Read Aloud Challenge", to roll out in October. Read Aloud 15 MINUTES, with its partners nationwide, will be inspiring, encouraging, and challenging parents and caregivers to read aloud for 15 minutes for 21 days straight and create a habit that will benefit their child for a lifetime. They are seeking library support to challenge parents and caregivers to include 15 minutes of reading aloud in their daily routine.

More Info



SUMMER READING NEWS

Submit Summer Reading Reports by September 15

We ask that every Idaho public library submit the number of children and teens that participate in your summer reading program each year.

If you are **not hosting a program** this year, you only need to answer **one question** on the report. We also ask you to **report outcomes** for **all** Bright Futures programs in which your library participated. If you did not participate in any Bright Futures programs you can skip over these sections

Reports are due **September 15** and the link can be found at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-reading>. See a **preview** of the data you will be asked to submit: [Word Document](#)

Bonus: Submit your report on time (or get an approved extension from Staci) and be entered to win a 2018 summer reading t-shirt (provided compliments of CSLP)!

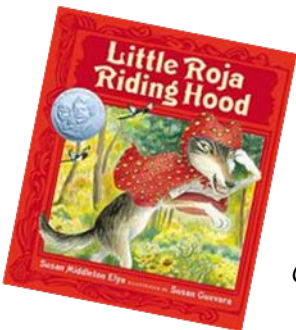
FEATURED:

Family Reading Week



The third week of November is Idaho Family Reading Week, when families are encouraged to read together. This year's theme, "Tell Me a Tale," will be celebrated at public and school libraries across the Gem State, November 12 -18, 2017. Whether its family tales, folktales, or fairytales , families will enjoy a magical week of reading and special activities at their school or public library during Idaho Family Reading Week.

State Librarian Ann Joslin said, "Not only does Idaho Family Reading Week celebrate families and the importance of reading together, but it is also a chance for Idahoans of all ages to explore or rediscover everything their local library has to offer. From storytimes and Makerspaces, to databases and DVDs, today's library has learning, innovation, and engagement opportunities for all."



Registration is open from September 1 – November 3, with hardcover books available on a first-come, first-served basis for the first 70 libraries to register. Libraries who partner with another literacy agency or library (e.g. a public library who partners with a school library), will be entered to win an additional resource - Lakeshore Learning's *Fairy Tales Problem Solving Kit - Three Billy Goats Gruff*. <https://tinyurl.com/ThreeBillyGoatsSTEM>

Access to the additional program resources, such as promotional posters, storytime outlines, parent and teacher resources, booklists/bookmarks, and activity ideas, will be available to all Idaho libraries at: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/frw>. Check it out!



CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

From Gina Persichini, Continuing Education Consultant

A new school year reminds me of the excitement of a fresh start and getting all my tools lined up. With that in mind, this month's CE News is focused on some simple steps to welcome new opportunities with a fresh perspective.

REGISTER at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/LiLITraining> for a short webinar to learn about a LiLI Database useful for homework or in the classroom. September will highlight new features in **Gale Virtual Reference Library**.

READ a blog post about [Top Twitter Hashtags for Librarians](#) to learn how scheduled Twitter chats work, find a hashtag to follow like #edchat about education topics or #tlchat for teacher librarians.

SIGN UP to receive the **Tech-Talk Newsletter** in your email once a week at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/tech-talk>. Tech-Talk comes right to you. Each week is a short lesson with a focus on a technology tip for tools like Word, Excel, Windows, or other common applications we use.

ENJOY a reflective journey by reading the [Beloit College Mindset List for the Class of 2021](#) to get an idea of the unique mindset of individuals who were the last to be born in the 1900's.

A New Fall Course: Making Your Makerspace Work!

Are you planning (or already have) a makerspace! This course provides concrete tips for engaging your users in exciting ways while helping them overcome the "intimidation factor" of using potentially complex (and expensive) equipment in a new and unfamiliar space. No matter what planning stage you are in for your makerspace, these tips will ensure you are better prepared for any unexpected challenges so you can stop worrying and start making! Weekly discussions cover hardware, software, and pedagogical trends in making.

By the end of the course, participants will have a detailed plan of makerspace implementation as well as a compiled number of event plans and resources that can be used in their own makerspace.

Course begins the week of **September 25, 2017**.

[Learn More/Apply](#)

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

Where to find Diverse Books

Are you having a hard time identifying diverse books to add to your library collection? Look no further than We Need Diverse Books™, a grassroots organization of children's book lovers that advocates essential changes in the publishing industry to produce and promote literature that reflects and honors the lives of all young people.

[Learn More](#)

STEAM

Astronauts in the Library!

Libraries across Idaho participated in the Solar Eclipse fun! Many were the go-to place to get NASA approved glasses. Others provided a place for their communities to gather and view the eclipse. And many more provided some educational opportunities to learn about celestial bodies. If your library doesn't want to lose the momentum garnered via this event, consider booking a session with astronauts from the International Space Center.

Read more at

<https://www.nasa.gov/offices/education/centers/johnson/downlinks>.

Here is an [article](#) about how a library in Connecticut hosted a session this summer.



Global Cardboard Challenge: October 7

Each fall, thinkers and makers from around the world join the Imagination Foundation for a day of creative construction. Inspired by the short film, "Caine's Arcade," the Global Cardboard Challenge is a worldwide celebration of child creativity and the role communities can play in fostering it.



The STEM Action Center is sponsoring up to 50 Cardboard Challenge events across Idaho with complete [Makedo kits](#).

October 7, 2017 is an opportunity for kids to build whatever they can dream up out of cardboard, recycled materials and imagination!

Visit cardboardchallenge.com for more information. Watch the video for "Caine's Arcade" on [YouTube](#).

Eligibility: Funding is available for publicly-funded and nonprofit organizations.

Apply through the Community Grant Portal: <https://idahostem.force.com/gms/>

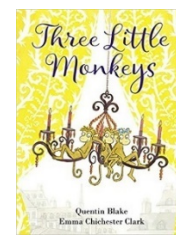
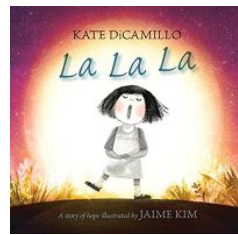
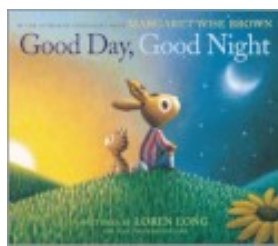
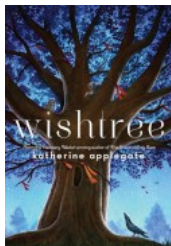
Questions about this opportunity can be directed to Erica Compton, Erica.compton@stem.idaho.com. Questions on the Portal – email grants@stem.idaho.gov

BOOK LOOK

Comforting Reads

Comforting Reads for Difficult Times is an Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) booklist, created through funds from the Friends of ALSC, to help children going through challenging situations like the death of a loved one, an unexpected move, natural disasters and more. Each listing includes a brief annotation and grade range (the booklist covers K-8). There are also links to other resources for adults to support children. The booklist was compiled by ALSC's Quicklists Consulting Committee. Download it here: www.ala.org/alsc/publications-resources/book-lists/comfortingreads

Fall Books



It is that time of year, when all the new fall books are being released. To find out the latest and greatest take a look at Publisher's Weekly list by publisher at <https://www.publishersweekly.com/pw/by-topic/new-titles/childrens-announcements/article/74242-children-s-books-for-fall-2017-all-our-coverage.html>.

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