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- 2019 Teen Top Ten Voting Deadline is Oct. 15.
- AASL National Conference registration deadline: Oct. 17.
- Registration is open for Read To Me Rendezvous till Oct. 24.
- Apply for the Idaho Lottery Bucks for Books Program by Oct. 31.
- NASA Mars Rover Naming Contest closes Nov 1.

WELCOME

By Jeannie Standal

If you attended the Idaho Library Association Annual Conference in Nampa last week, you know there was lots of excitement! Author Marie Lu sat for a charming and funny interview with Hillside Jr. High librarian and YA expert Gregory Taylor, and then signed absolutely everyone's book. Author and El dia de los ninos/El dia de los libros founder Pat Mora opened the conference on Thursday morning with a lovely message of inclusion to start the day, and much more. But the big announcement (for us, at least) was that our own Tammy Hawley-House will be Idaho's new Deputy State Librarian! With 20 years of experience with Idaho libraries, including stints as ILA president and ICfL's Youth Services Consultant and CE Consultant, she brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the job. Congratulations, Tammy! We hope that you will still have time to lead the occasional ICfL storytime.



This month's edition of The Scoop is chocked full of even more exciting information, both new and ongoing – so read on!

LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

Ada Community Library Opens a Community StoryWalk® with Partners Ada County Parks & Waterways and ACHD!

Ada Community Library (ACL) has partnered with Ada County Parks & Waterways and ACHD to introduce their community to a new StoryWalk® at the Victory Stormwater Basin and Constructed Wetlands. The official opening festivities took place on September 10, 2019, with the ACL mascot,

Whoodini, leading a walk around the site reading “Down by the Cool of the Pool” written by Tony Mitton and illustrated by Guy Parker-Rees.



Next time you are in the vicinity of Victory and Five Mile in Ada County, stop by and visit. As you stroll along the path, you will enjoy reading the bright, interactive, and engaging inaugural story one page at a time while enjoying the outdoors! Be sure to visit regularly since Ada Community Library’s Victory Branch will be changing the stories every so often.



Learn more about StoryWalk® at <https://www.kellogghubbard.org/storywalk>.

Visit similar programs in Idaho: StoryWalk® at McEwan Park in Coeur d’Alene; and Memory Lane: A Story Trail for Seniors at Kleiner Park outside the Meridian Senior center in Meridian.

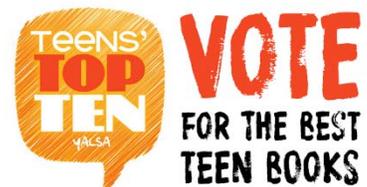
Does your library run a program like StoryWalk? [Please tell us about it!](#)

YOUNG ADULT CORNER

TeenTober is now!

2019 Teens’ Top Ten Voting is underway and ends on October 15, 2019. Remember to encourage your teens to take on the challenging task of choosing just three of these awesome titles to vote for!

[Find the titles and vote here!](#)





YALSA has released its official logo and social media graphics for the inaugural soft launch.

Get those here.

Share your photos and programs with YALSA on Twitter using @yalsa and #TeenTober.

KINDERGARTEN READY CORNER

Congratulations to the 2019 Kindergarten Readiness Grant Awardees!

See "Feature" for article.

SCHOOL ZONE

Application for Idaho Lottery Elementary School Program Open Now!

The Idaho Lottery Commission and Idaho Commission for Libraries have partnered to bring a new program to Idaho's Elementary School Libraries! At the beginning of September, Idaho Lottery VIP members were given the opportunity to donate their VIP points to the Bucks for Books program to raise money for Idaho's neediest elementary school libraries. VIP members did their part and in less than 24 hours, the \$30,000 cap was reached!



The application window is now open for eligible elementary schools to apply for Bucks for Books in amounts from \$1,000 to \$3,000! But hurry – the application closes on October 31, 2019!

[Learn More/Apply](#)



NASA @ My [School] Library:

Looking for a reason to partner with a science or math teacher? Would having a STEAM activity with an existing lesson plan help? Perfect! Check out [STARnet's STEM Activity Clearinghouse](#) to find just the right activity based on age, content area, time, cost, mess

level, and more. Many of the plans, like the [UV Kid! Activity](#) from the [NASA @ My Library](#) kits are even correlated to science standards. Many of the activities in the facilitation guides can be done with supplies you probably already have!

Curious about what is in the kits? There are overview videos in the Training and Instructional Video section at <https://libraries.idaho.gov/nasa>. Have a kit(s) shipped to you free of charge! Reservations are now being accepted through May for ANY publicly funded library in Idaho. Contact Deana Brown at 208-639-4156 or deana.brown@libraries.idaho.gov with questions.

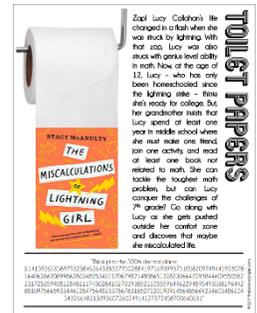
Has your library already borrowed the kits? Please help improve future NASA @ My Library programs by completing the appropriate survey

Kit #1 https://edc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6X4PQm9umOxo8gl

Kit #2 https://edc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_exO2TIXSLFTyxxP

One fun blog:

You've seen advertising on the bathroom stall door, and maybe even advice or professional development tips. Why not give the kids some info while they are taking care of business, too? The Book Wrangler has created The Toilet Papers and published 25 ready-made posters, plus a template for anyone to make custom Toilet Paper featuring their favorite titles. Check out www.thebookwrangler.com for posters, the template, plus lots of other resources including "What Should I Read Next" lists. Thanks to Carolyn Knam at Frontier Elementary in West Ada for tipping us off to this great resource!



Tech-Talk:

There is a useful little tool available to Idaho library staff through ICfL that brings a new way to use productivity-enhancing technology to your inbox each week. Tech-Talk is a super short newsletter that includes instructions on a new skill with an accompanying video that takes about 5-10 minutes to complete. Presto! You are more productive!



[More Info](#)

Idaho is now an AASL Affiliate!

Thanks to the hard work of Erin Downey, Kiersten Kerr, and the School Library Roundtable, Idaho is now an American Association of School Librarians (AASL) state affiliate! AASL is a division of the American Library Association (ALA), and now Idaho will have a seat at the table at AASL. Learn more about AASL at <http://www.ala.org/aasl/about>, and while you are there check out the November conference details.

School Zone Regular Features:

This month's issue of [Low Hanging Fruit](#) offers a little dose of Halloween

October's [Nonfiction Book of the Month](#): *Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpre*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RTM Rendezvous Registration – Now Open!

Read to Me offers a two-day training, with a focus on early literacy topics, for youth services staff every other year (public and school). This year the training is **November 6 and November 7, 2019, in Boise** at the Oxford Suites.

Day 1: [Dr. Jamie Campbell Naidoo](#) and [Katie Scherrer](#) will present a full day on library service to diverse populations.

Day 2: Early STEM is Early Literacy, new Kindergarten Readiness resources/tools, Creative Community Partnership showcase and networking, and "Collect, Connect, Act" next steps activity.



Event registration info:

Who: Idaho library staff and trustees (public, school, and community libraries)

Two staff per library branch

Cost: There is no charge for the workshop. Lodging is provided and travel is reimbursed for those who meet eligibility requirements.

Use our new [Travel Eligibility and Reimbursement worksheet](#) to calculate costs and reimbursement amounts.

Registration is open until **October 24, 2019**.

[Learn More / Register](#)

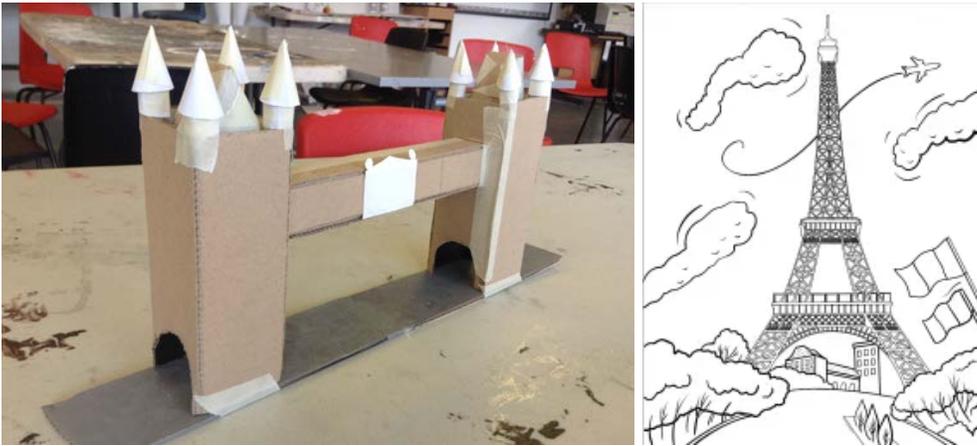
Idaho Family Reading Week – Up and Running

While ICfL's Idaho Family Reading Week program is officially closed for new registrants, Idaho libraries can still tap into the resources developed for this program and access "Adventure Awaits!" themed activities and promotional materials anytime. There are activities for the littles as well as older children, STEAM projects, customizable documents, and low-cost activity station ideas.

Some of the free, downloadable resources you'll find on our website include:

- Around the World Trivia

- Famous Landmarks Cardboard Challenge
- “Places I Would Go” Button-Making and Coloring Pages
- Map Science with Your Homemade Compass
- Recommended Reading Lists (by age group)
- Book-Inspired Activity Bookmarks
- Storytime Outlines
- Write Your Own Adventure Story template
- And don’t forget! - Early literacy take home activities and parent handouts



Check out all the [adventurous fun on our website](#).

Questions? Contact Idaho Family Reading Week coordinator [Kristina Taylor](#).

NASA’s Mars 2020 rover needs a name!

Any K-12 student in U.S. public, private, and home schools has a chance to name the next Mars rover bound for the Red Planet in July 2020.

To enter the contest, students submit their rover name and a short essay (max 150 words) to explain the reasons why their chosen name is the best. The contest closes Nov. 1, 2019.

Adults, you can join in the fun as well! Adults may apply to serve as a volunteer judge for the “Name the Rover Contest.” For contest entry and details, visit the Name the Rover site:

[Learn More](#)

TIPS AND TOOLS

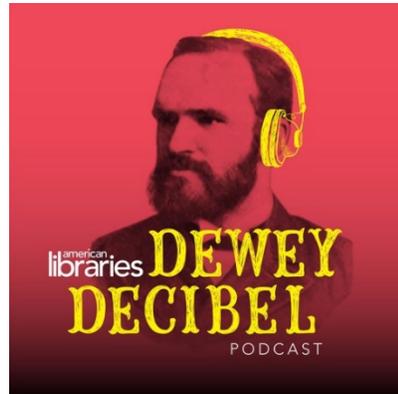


International Observe the Moon Night

Did you miss International Observe the Moon Night on October 5th? Don't fret, all the cool resources from this worldwide, public celebration of lunar science are still available! STAR Net invites your library to take a look at STAR Net's programming [resources and printables about the moon](#).

Now that SR is over....18 Excellent Podcasts for Librarians

Compiled by the "5 Min Librarian," the following article provides some helpful resources and tips for all of you busy librarians who are seeking ways to continually improve and gain knowledge but are limited on time. There are podcasts about, you guessed it, books, as well as library leadership, circulation, youth services, technology and more. Check 'em out!



[Learn More](#)

Every Kid in a Park Program from the National Park Service

Every Kid in a Park (EKIP) was created so fourth graders and their families can discover wildlife, nature and history free of cost. Each year, beginning on September 1, all kids in fourth grade can access their own Every Kid in a Park pass at www.everykidinapark.gov.

Webinar: What Fred Rogers Would Say About "The Difference We Make": How Simple, Everyday Interactions in Early Childhood are Critical

Thursday, October 10, 12:00-1:30 pm Mountain Time - Cost: \$0

This webinar is a reflection and discussion of what it means to make a difference in today's early care and education contexts. Presenters Dana Winters, Ph.D., from the Fred Rogers Center for Early Learning and Children's Media, and Junlei Li, Ph.D., from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, will discuss: What does making a difference look like in simple, everyday teacher-child interactions? What enhances or limits our ability to recognize the impact we make? How do we help each other to appreciate and grow the kind of practices that make a positive impact on children and families?

This webinar is presented by Early Childhood Investigations and sponsored by the Fred Rogers Center.

[Learn More / Register](#)

Away for the Day

From the makers of [Screenagers](#) comes a new program, Away for the Day, a campaign to have phones put away in lockers or backpacks during the school day.

[Learn More](#)



SUMMER READING NEWS

Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP): Summary from Annual Meeting, Sept. 16 - 19

The annual meeting, which took place in Indianapolis this year, was high-energy and packed with activities. Librarians, state representatives, and committee members from all over the US and its territories attended to discuss changes to the program manual, possible future product lines, the role of summer learning, statistics and evaluation, best practices in summer programming, and future directions for CSLP.

Theme for 2023

Ideas submitted by librarians in all states and territories, including Idaho, were narrowed down to those receiving the most submissions. Those were then discussed and voted on by the state representatives. Each state was allotted 3 votes. The theme with the most votes was...

Oceanography. The slogan for this theme will be decided during the 2020 annual meeting. As a reminder, here are the upcoming themes and slogans:

2020: Imagine Your Story – theme of Fairy Tales/Mythology/Fantasy – Artist: [LeUyen Pham](#)

2021: Tails and Tales – theme of Animals and Stories –Artist: [Salina Yoon](#)

2022: All Together Now – theme of Inclusion/Diversity – Artist: [Sophie Blackall](#)

2023: Slogan TBD at September 2020 CSLP meeting – theme of Oceanography – Artist: [Frank Morrison](#)

Program Manual Changes:

- The **CSLP manual has been reformatted for 2020** with a new look and organization
- The manual is no longer divided into age sections but includes program groupings that are appropriate for various ages and that include adaptations for different audiences. This is in response to librarian feedback over the years and is intended to support family and intergenerational programming, improve usability at smaller libraries where the same person may be developing program for all ages, and support larger libraries' internal collaborations across departments. The early literacy manual remains separate, and continues to offer storytimes for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.
- You'll notice the manual is a bit shorter, and comes with a new look.
- CSLP is working on a platform for librarians to share programming ideas to supplement the manual.

All Idaho libraries that submitted their 2019 summer reading program reports will receive a copy of the manual from ICfL, in the format requested by each library in June (paper, DVD, USB, or online only); if your library did not make a selection, a USB copy will be provided.

Manuals will be shipped this fall—if manuals arrive before the Read to Me Rendezvous in November, we will distribute them to those attending.

Incentives and Online Store

CSLP ended its relationship with an exclusive vendor for products (Demco), and is now working directly with a contracted design house. Only CSLP artwork will appear in all products in the CSLP catalog.

- There are fewer products overall, but more unique products.
- **Everything in the catalog is in stock and ready to ship right now, except for the manuals and the Puss in Boots puppet.**

Paper catalogs will arrive with your CSLP manuals later this fall, but you may shop anytime at www.csllpreads.org/shop (login required; if you don't yet have an account on the CSLP website, registration is free and simple).

Rules of Use

Along with ending the exclusive vendor relationship, CSLP completed a substantial revision of its Rules of Use. **The rules are now less about driving sales and more about supporting libraries.** These are significant changes – requested for years by the membership and even non-participating CSLP libraries – that will hopefully make the resources more attractive, dynamic, and relevant for libraries of all sizes.

- Libraries may now use CSLP artwork and slogans on all paper items that you create in-house or through other vendors.
- You are also no longer restricted in how long you may use CSLP artwork (going back to the Build a Better World artwork).
- CSLP now retains ownership of all art provided by the artists to CSLP for its programs.

Please review the Rules of Use: www.csllpreads.org/membership-information/rules-of-use



FEATURED:

Kindergarten Readiness Grant Projects, 2019-2020

The Idaho Commission for Libraries would like to thank all the applicants of this year's Kindergarten Readiness Grant. Twenty-two libraries applied, requesting almost \$160,000 in funding. The ICfL is allotted \$60,000 per year for this grant, which is designed to meet the following objectives:

1. Ensure that more Idaho four-year-olds and their families have public library cards to gain access to the tools and resources needed to help children succeed in school;
2. Increase the amount of early literacy activities done in the homes of four-year-olds across the state; and
3. Increase the number of successful public library, school, and community partnerships that increase third-grade reading proficiency by focusing on pre-kindergarten experiences.

The following libraries were awarded funding for 2019-2020:

American Falls District Library
Cascade Public Library
Community Library Network, Hayden Branch
Jerome Public Library
Lemhi County District Library, Salmon
Nampa Public Library
Prairie River Library District

To read about each project, see <https://libraries.idaho.gov/rtm/kinder-grant/>.

The quality of the applications was very high, and the process was very competitive. The project ideas that were proposed demonstrate that libraries are working closely with their school districts and

community partners to reach children and families who have limited access to high-quality preschool experiences, to help more children develop the skills they need to be successful in school and beyond.

Though ICfL's grant funds are limited, our **Read to Me** program offers many quality programs and resources to help libraries serve their pre-kindergarten children and reach more parents and caregivers. Please see <https://libraries.idaho.gov/rtm/> for more information.

CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Unable to make it to PNLA/ARSL/ILA this year? The Nebraska Library Commission has asked Patrick Bodily to repeat his session from those conferences on Surviving and Thriving as an Accidental Librarian as part of their NCompass Live webinar series. Wednesday, October 16 from 11am –12pm Mountain Time. Register for free at <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/scripts/calendar/eventshow.asp?ProgID=18687>.

Other free webinars & courses:

- [Girls Who Code](#), 10/21-webinar
- [Introduction to Website Accessibility](#), 10/23-webinar
- [Grantseeking for Libraries: Top 10 Practices for Foundation Funding](#)--a self-paced online course

Datapalooza is coming to a town near you!

Public libraries: join us this October for **Datapalooza**, a free one-day training extravaganza! Patrick Bodily, State Data Coordinator & Eastern Field Consultant, and Dylan Baker, Broadband Consultant, will take you through the changes made to the annual library statistics reporting website, introduce outcome-based evaluation tools including Project Outcome, and provide a crash course in data visualization. They will also provide you with information and resources to address the new public library wireless filtering requirements going into effect on July 1, 2020. It's going to be an information-packed day! Registration closes next Monday (10/14), so please don't delay!

For any questions about Datapalooza or any of these topics, please contact Patrick (208-525-7211 or patrick.bodily@libraries.idaho.gov) and/or Dylan (208-639-4167 or dylan.baker@libraries.idaho.gov). We hope to see you there!

[Info / Register](#)

Library 2.0's 2019 Global Education Conference Registration Open:

Online conferences are tops in comfort and convenience, and Library 2.0 puts on a good one! They book excellent keynote and session speakers, participants can come and go as they please, and the conference is free. The Global Education Conference happens around the clock from November 18-November 20. All you need is a device and an internet connection, so it is a perfect opportunity to pick up some PD, especially if an in-person conference is not in the plan this year.

Find more information at <https://www.globaleducationconference.org/> and register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-2019-global-education-conference-registration-67143382665>.



STEAM

Game Changers from 4-H

University of Idaho Extension 4-H, in collaboration with the Idaho Out of School Network (ION), is making a limited set of *Game Changers* kits available free of charge to parties interested and willing to conduct the activities using the provided 4-H curriculum. The *Game Changers* kit uses physical activity and puzzles to teach kids important computer science concepts and problem-solving skills, creating real-world connections between computer science and civic engagement, healthy living and agriculture. Activities are designed to make it easy for anyone to be a facilitator, and include background and preparation details, discussion point, and prompting and reflection questions. Perfect for first time and beginning coders ages 8 and above.

To receive a kit, your library must agree to hold at least one full or half-day program anytime between October 1 and December 31, 2019, using the materials and curriculum included in the kit and supply feedback on that experience to University of Idaho Extension 4-H Youth Development. Order your *Game Changers* kit [here](#).

Free Cybersecurity Curricula for Your Library

According to a 2012 report from the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, "The nation will require approximately one million more science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) professionals than what will be produced at current rates over the next decade." Libraries can help fill this gap by providing STEM learning opportunities to children and teens. The [National Integrated Cyber Education Research Center](#) (NICERC) focuses on STEM curriculum design, computer science curriculum design, cyber curriculum, professional development, and collaboration in K-12 education. If your library is looking for a way to expand your current STEM offerings (or even if you are looking for a place to start), check out the FREE resources from NICERC:

- Request access to free curricula for Elementary, Middle School and High School at <https://nicerc.org/curricula/curriculaaccess/>
- Schedule professional development with subject matter experts from across the country at www.nicerc.org/pd

Early STEM in Idaho

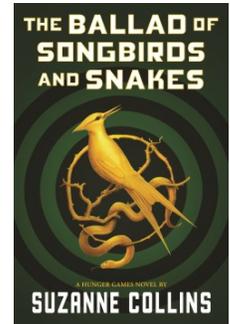
The early years in a child's life are critical for developing a variety of abilities, including STEM skills. The Idaho STEM Action Center, in partnership with ICfL and several other state agencies, has created an Early

STEM page to gather resources to help you introduce early STEM concepts at your library:
<https://stem.idaho.gov/earlystem/>

BOOK LOOK

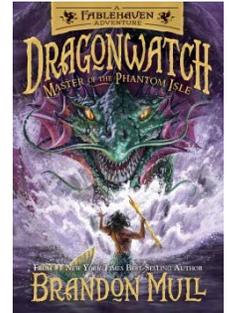
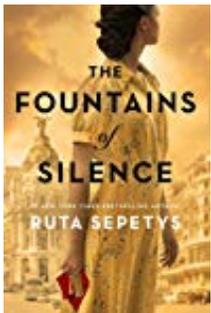
A New Hunger Games Book!

That's right, folks! The title and cover for the new Hunger Games book has been released! "The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes" is scheduled to be released May 19, 2020. The new story is a prequel set 64 years before the events of Hunger Games, and Suzanne Collins says, in part, it explores "...who we are, and what we perceive is required for our survival." Need more now? Read the entire PW article!



[More Info](#)

In the meantime, here are some exciting YA titles from some favorite authors to be released in October:



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