

Fun, inspiring and innovative ideas for library youth services



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WELCOME

By Staci Shaw

The Idaho Legislature is in full swing, and ICfL staff have manned booths at the ICfL Roadshow, STEM Day at the Capitol, Buy Idaho, and Early Learning Legislative Day—we are spreading the word about all the great resources found in Idaho libraries!

In addition, State Librarian Ann Joslin and Deputy State Librarian Stephanie Bailey-White have been presenting information to various legislative committees and meeting with legislators to provide information about the Talking Book Service, e-Rate, eligibility requirements of libraries applying for cash grants, LiLl databases, the libraries' role in kindergarten readiness, and more.

Establishing a good relationship with your local legislators will help them understand the challenges your library faces and showcase all the ways in which you serve your patrons. Consider inviting them to storytimes, outreach events, celebrations, and presentations; or just invite them in for a tour of the library!

Stay informed about the happenings at the Statehouse. Here are a few sites I follow:

- Eye on Boise ("Idaho Press Tribune"), blogs by Betsy Russell
- Idaho Education News (you can sign up for a weekly digest)
- Idaho Education Association Hotline

LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

St. Anthony Expansion

The **St. Anthony** branch of the **Fremont County District Library** recently expanded into the space that was next to the original library, allowing them to remodel and create a lovely children's space! Thanks to ICfL Field Consultant **Patrick Bodily** for these photos:









Top left: Moveable shelving

Middle left: Soft furniture

Left: Dedicated children's computers

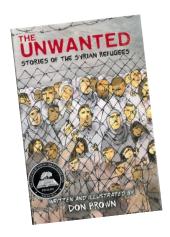
Above: Moveable puppet storage

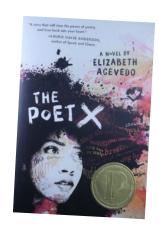
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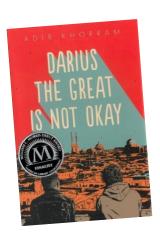
YALSA Youth Media Awards

The Young Adult Library Services Association announced its Book and Media Awards at last month's ALA Midwinter Conference. Winners of the Alex Award, which is given to 10 books for adults that also appeal to young adults, include Idaho's own Tara Westover's book "Educated: A Memoir." The Morris Award,

which honors books by first-time authors, was given to Adib Knorram for "Darius the Great Is Not Okay," and the Printz Award for literary excellence in young adult literature went to "The Poet X" by Elizabeth Acevedo. Author M.T. Anderson received the Edwards Award for his significant and lasting contribution to writing for teens for "Feed," the Octavian Nothing books. The Odyssey Award, for best audiobook for children or teens went to the producers of "Sadie," written by Courtney Summers and narrated by Rebecca Soler, Fred Berman, Dan Bittner, Gabra Zackman, and more. Finally, YALSA's Award for Excellence in Nonfiction went to "The Unwanted: Stories of Syrian Refugees," written and illustrated by Don Brown.







See more in Book Look

KINDERGARTEN READY CORNER

Jump Start Kindergarten: Refreshed and Open for Registration



The Jump Start Kindergarten webpage has been updated with newly outlined requirements, updated resources and current registration forms.

Copies of our two new Jump Start parent/caregiver handouts are available to request when you register. Check them out:

Learn More / Register

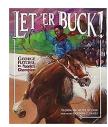




SCHOOL ZONE

~By Jeannie Standal, School Library Consultant

Have you got freaked-out high school kids prepping for the SAT or ACT? Check out February's Low Hanging Fruit for some help for students, parents, and teachers.



February's Nonfiction Book of the Month is a brand-new title from Vaunda Micheaux Nelson. "Let 'er Buck!: George Fletcher, the People's Champion" will have you making plans to attend the Pendleton Round-Up next summer!

School Library Access Minigrants

Elementary School Library Access to Books Mini-Grant applications are being accepted for the 2019-2020 school year grant period! There are two grant options again this year:

Round 1: For elementary schools that serve, among others, PreK, Kindergarten or first grade students and have never received this Mini-Grant.

Round 2: For elementary schools that received an SLA Mini-Grant for the 2016-2017 school year or earlier. If your school received any School Library Access Mini-Grant after the 2016-2017 school year, you will be eligible to apply for the Round 2 grant three years after your Round 1 or Summer grant.

Unsure if your school has received a Mini-Grant? Check here and click on "Check this document" under the Round 2 application button. There you will find a list of every recipient of the grant and the year it was awarded.

Questions? Contact Jeannie.standal@libraries.idaho.gov.

Pacific Northwest Library Association Request for Proposals

- ☑ PD for staff at your school
- ☑ Training for librarians in your district
- ☑ Presentation for Idaho Library Association Conference

What's next on the career development list? Submit a proposal to tell the Pacific Northwest library community about your stand-out project, program, research, or other awesomeness at your library! Other school librarians want to know about your successful program!

Not up for presenting a session? Consider attending, anyway. This summer's PNLA conference is in Spokane (super close) over the weekend of August 7-9, 2019. Check here for early bird registration rates and watch for the notice that registration is open!

Save the Date!

Speaking of professional and career development, save the date for Summer Summit 2019! This year's summit will be held in Coeur d'Alene from July 9th to 11th. Our keynote speaker will be Jennifer LaGarde, aka Library Girl. Check out her blog at http://www.librarygirl.net/, where you might recognize some of her infographics that make the rounds on social media. Lots of other creative and useful sessions are planned that will apply to all levels of K-12 too. And, of course, time for networking and table topics.

Pencil us in as part of your summer plans and we'll see you in Coeur d'Alene! Watch for registration to open after Spring Break.

A Little Light Reading

This year's ALA Midwinter Conference included a session that focused on the research that's happened in the field of school librarianship in the last ten years. The result of this work is a kind of gnarly 63-page paper that all school librarians should read in their spare time. I've attached the link to it here. The good news: the last half of the paper is the Works Cited list, and the real meat of the message is page 7 to 27. So much better, yes?

This work by Melissa P. Johnston and Lucy Santos Green can arm you will some very helpful information for defending and promoting your library program, not to mention the trove of school library research in the Works Cited. Enjoy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Read to Me Regional Trainings

Friday, March 29th, Pocatello, at the Clarion Inn Friday, April 12th, Boise, at the Oxford Suites Thursday, May 2nd, Moscow, at the Best Western/University Inn

Idaho public and school library staff are welcome to register for this free youth services training.

Agenda:

Morning: Basic Storytime Training

Lunch & sharing of preliminary impact/results from ICfL's Kindergarten Readiness Grants, regional Grantee

Afternoon: Youth Services Programming

• Learn about NASA @ My Library Grant program opportunities, kits and (hopefully) a regional NASA Ambassador speaker

- Sharing of new kindergarten/school readiness opportunities/activities to be supported by ICfL
- Program Evaluation examples of how to evaluate: Summer Reading, Summer STEM Grant, NASA, Storytimes
- Roundtables: Youth Services topics/sharing/networking
- A surprise maker activity to cool you off this summer you don't want to miss this

Learn More/Register

TIPS AND TOOLS

Free Webinar: What's New in Children's Literature 2019

Wednesday, February 27, 3:00 pm EST

Join presenter Penny Peck for her annual review of what's new in children's literature, both new authors and old favorites, that you can recommend to a child – especially when you are busy! This webinar can help you discover new books that you can offer to children who use your library, including books that reflect the diversity of the children we serve. Hear about books published in late 2018 and spring 2019 that will be popular with children ages 0-12. These include board books, picture books, easy readers, transitional fiction, genre fiction for middle grades, graphic novels, poetry, nonfiction, and more! Hear about books, including recent award-winners, that will be popular with a wide audience of children.

Info / Register

(Infopeople is the LSTA-supported training arm of the California State Library.)

EBSCO Webinar/Lill Resources

~From Allison Lloyd

Join us on Tuesday, February 19th, at 2:00 p.m. (MT) for a whirlwind (half-hour) tour of the many fabulous EBSCO databases of particular interest to Idaho public libraries, available via lili.org!

Learn More / Register

In other news, the LiLI promotional materials order form has been updated and now features our fabulous new promotional banners.



We also have LiLI-branded HTML buttons for MyHeritage Library Edition and Pronunciator, should you wish to feature them on your library's website: https://libraries.idaho.gov/lili/lilidatabase-logos/.

SUMMER READING NEWS

Bright Futures Outreach Programs: Apply Now!

Applications for Bright Futures Outreach Opportunities are now open. These are opt-in programs for Idaho public libraries that want to reach more underserved children and families with summer reading programs and messaging. Click on each for details, program requirements, and application.

- Parent/Caregiver Outreach: deadline to apply is March 15
- Strengthening School Partnerships: deadline to apply is March 15
- Summer Outreach to Underserved Children: deadline to apply is May 1

Youth Explorer Passes from Idaho Dept. of Parks and Rec available to request

We are happy to announce that ICfL is once again partnering with the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR) to offer free state park passes to Idaho libraries hosting summer reading programs for children and teens.



The Youth Explorer Passes from Idaho State Parks will waive the entry fee for one vehicle for one day to any Idaho state park. The passes may be used for summer reading in a variety of ways: Distribute when children sign up for summer reading; give out as prizes for summer reading; take to outreach events.

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Reminder: Fred Meyer Books Are No Longer Available

As we mentioned last spring, Fred Meyer is no longer providing ICfL with a grant to purchase books for summer reading prizes. We are grateful to Fred Meyer for providing this grant for almost 15 years, and we understand their renewed commitment to focus all their grant awards on eradicating hunger. Please be advised that NOW is the time to secure local summer reading funding and support for prizes. In the March issue of "The Scoop" we'll share some ideas for reaching out to community sponsors.

Summer Reading Share-Out and Local Resources

During the afternoon of the regional Read to Me Trainings we'll be sharing some resources you can use to help with your summer reading programs, "A Universe of Stories." Local members of astronomy clubs will be on-site to inform participants how they or other members can help with events, facilitate programs, or do presentations. For more information about the training sessions, see Upcoming Events.

News from the Collaborative Summer Libraries Program (CSLP)

February Newsletter from Luke Kralik, CSLP Organization Director

Pinterest @CSLPreads: See tons of programming ideas, crafts, science projects, decorations, and more on the CSLP Pinterest site! We're encouraging you to use #LibrariesLiftoff for Twitter, Instagram & Facebook posts.



Constellation viewer using oatmeal

Miscellaneous Resources

The window is open to apply for SLP incentives through the **Chipotle Reading Rewards program**. Chipotle is accepting applications through February 28, and applicants will be notified by March 15. Through this program for libraries and schools, Chipotle distributes bookmarks that include free Kid's Meal cards (for grades K-5) or BOGO entrée cards (for grades 6+). For more information and to apply see **community.chipotle.com/reading**.

Disclaimer: Though we are happy to pass along resources that may help you plan and implement your summer reading program, the ICfL does not endorse any "for profit" resource or company.

FEATURED:

Libraries Can Help Prevent Childhood Abuse and Neglect

By: Jennifer Redford

Childhood abuse and neglect is an issue that affects many families and can have an adverse impact on communities. Children who experience the trauma of child abuse struggle to thrive and may be at risk for chronic health conditions, unsafe behaviors, low life potential and early death. However, the risk of adverse outcomes for children is mitigated by several protective factors that help strengthen families. These factors include:

- Parental Resilience managing stress and functioning well when faced with challenges, adversity and trauma
- **Social Connections** positive relationships that provide emotional, informational, instrumental and spiritual support
- Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development understanding child development and parenting strategies that support physical, cognitive, language, social and emotional development
- Concrete Support in Times of Need access to support services that address a family's need and helps minimize stress caused by challenges
- Social and Emotional Competence of Children help children develop the ability to communicate clearly, recognize and regulate their emotions, and stabilize and maintain relationships.

Libraries can play a role in combating childhood abuse and neglect in their communities by helping families build protective factors. April is Childhood Abuse Prevention Month, and ICfL has partnered with

Idaho Children's Trust Fund to offer support for libraries that are interested in combating childhood abuse and neglect in their communities.

Pinwheels for Prevention: Every April, people throughout Idaho display pinwheels to symbolize the happy and healthy childhood we want for all children. ICfL has purchased pinwheels for libraries to display in and outside of their buildings. If you would like a set of pinwheels for your library, contact Jennifer by March 8.



The Brain Architecture Game: The Brain Architecture Game is a tabletop game the helps players understand the role of early experiences in the development of a child's brain. This is a great tool for staff development or a training opportunity that libraries can offer to local organizations, school districts, childcare centers, etc. ICfL has funds to purchase six Brain Architecture Game kits for libraries throughout the state. The kits can be used to facilitate a gaming experience for up to 18 players, and the Idaho Children's Trust Fund can offer regional trainers to train staff on using the kits or facilitate programs in the library. Kits will be sent to the first libraries that request them, and if demand is high we may be able to purchase additional kits later in the year. Contact Jennifer if your library would like to receive a Brain Architecture Game.



Left: Public and school librarians play The Brain Architecture Game at the 2017 Read to Me Rendezvous in Boise. The game demonstrates how caring adults and positive experiences can lessen the impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).

CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Free Online Webinars

In honor of National Library Lover's Month, enjoy some or all these free online webinars:

Info2Go! STEM Maker Activities for Teens

February 11; 11:30 am - 12:30 pm MST

Attendees will hear about low threshold Maker activities to engage teens in hands-on STEM activities in the libraries and gain access to materials and resources, including easy to follow, program guides.

Register

EBSCO Tools for Public Libraries

February 19, 2pm; online 1/2-hour webinar

Learn about some of the cool databases ICfL offers by attending this upcoming LiLI webinar; access popular periodical content, including Consumer Reports and Time magazine, using Publication Finder! Register

Early Childhood Expertise Beyond Libraryland: Reading Life Between the Lines: Using Children's Literature for Tough Conversations About Diversity

Tuesday, February 26; 11am MST/ 10am PST

In this workshop, Dr. Michelle H. Martin will provide attendees with strategies for using children's literature to engage readers of all ages with questions of identity and difference. Dr. Martin will help participants increase their cultural competence for work with young people.

Register

Contact ICfL Continuing Education Consultant Tammy Hawley-House with questions.

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

'Lotería,' a Beloved Latino Game, Gets Reimagined for Millennials

"There is a particular magic to Lotería, the card game, sometimes described as Mexican bingo and played by generations of Hispanic children, that lasts well into adulthood. It can transport you to an abuela's house in Mexico, to a cousin's birthday party in Texas, to a babysitter's backyard in California.

But it can also make you wince.

Last year, as Mike Alfaro shuffled through an old deck of the game — notable for its folk-art drawings — he blanched at one image of "La Dama," the lady. The card showed an affluent woman in an old-fashioned full-length skirt-suit, weighed down by flowers and a clutch. It struck him as symbolic of

antiquated views about gender and identity within the Latino community. How would this young Hispanic woman identify in 2018, in the United States? He looked at other cards, some with undercurrents of racism and classism. What about those?"

Continue Reading

KNOW THE NUMBERS

2020 Census

In order to Know the Numbers, the US Census Bureau is hiring census workers in Idaho to complete the upcoming 2020 Census. This is an especially important census year for Idaho. As the fastest-growing state in the nation, Idaho's increased population will likely result in securing an additional congressional seat in the House of Representatives. An accurate count will be critical, especially in Idaho's most rural and remote areas. The Bureau is hiring now—be sure to share with your patrons! See the 2020 Census Bureau's website for more information.

STEAM

Libraries Ready to Code: An Initiative of the American Library Association

Libraries Ready to Code is a collection of "resources and strategies for coding and computational thinking activities that are grounded in research, aligned with library core values, and support broadening participation." This initiative is sponsored by Google and the collection was created and tested in 30 libraries from across the country, including Meridian Library District's unBound location.

Family & Career STEM Awareness Grant

The Family & Career STEM Awareness Event Grant is available to publicly funded and nonprofit educational organizations in Idaho looking to host an event to engage families and community members in STEM-related activities. Programs supported through this opportunity may be single-evening events or take place over several events. Educators can receive up to \$1,000 to coordinate activities, food, and/or take-home materials for event attendees.

Deadline to apply: February 20, 2019

Learn More

BOOK LOOK

Youth Media Award Winners

Below are some of the award winners announced at the American Library Association Mid-Winter Conference in Seattle January 28. To see a full list of all awards and honor books, Check out **2019 Youth Media Award Winner** via I Love Libraries or School Library Journal's "All Things YMAs" hub: www.slj.com/?page=2019YouthMediaAwards

John Newberry Award

"Merci Suárez Changes Gears" by Meg Medina

Newberry Honor Books

"The Book of Boy" by Catherine Gilbert Murdock
"The Night Diary" by Veera Hiranandani

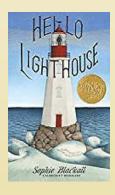


Randolph Caldecott Award

"Hello Lighthouse" illustrated and written by Sophie Blackall

Caldecott Honor Books

- "Alma and How She Got Her Name" by Juana Martinez-Neal
- "The Rough Patch" by Brian Lies
- "Thank You, Omu!" by Oge Mora

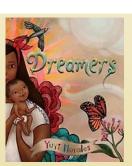


Pura Belpré Award

(Author) "The Poet X" by Elizabeth Acevedo

(Illustrator) "Dreamers" written and illustrated by Yuyi Morales

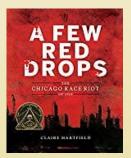




Coretta Scott King Award

(Author) "A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riot of 1919" by Claire Hartfield

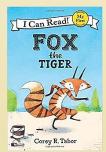
(Illustrator) "The Stuff of Stars" by Marion Bauer, illustrated by Ekua Holmes





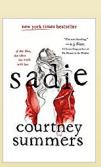
Theodore Seuss Geisel Award

"Fox the Tiger" written and illustrated by Corey R. Tabor



Odyssey Award

"Sadie" by Courtney Summers; narrated by Rebecca Soler, Fred Berman, Dan Bittner, Gabra Zackman, and more



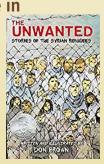
Robert F. Sibert Informational Book

"The Girl Who Drew Butterflies: How Maria Merian's Art Changed Science" by Joyce Sidman



YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction Award

"The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees" written and illustrated by Don Brown

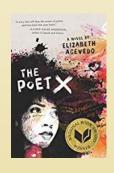


Michael Printz Award

"The Poet X" by Elizabeth Acevedo

Honor Books

"Damsel" by Elana K. Arnold
"A Heart in the Body in the World" by Deb Caletti
"I, Claudia" by Mary McCoy



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