These are busy times! The ILF fiscal year came to an end on June 30, but we’re in the middle of the “personal membership year.” It’s one of the busiest times on the ILF calendar, and during a recent staff meeting, we compiled a list of “dates to keep in mind” which took up a whole page single-spaced. With that in mind, the list below provides dates and topics for you, our treasured ILF member, to keep in mind.

NOTE: See this link [http://www.sitepoint.com/to-do-lists-for-productivity/] for an interesting article on creating to-do lists – a tactic many people say helps them to stay on track and increase productivity.

For more information on any of the below, visit [http://www.ilfonline.org] and select “Events” or a tab at the top relevant to that event.

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**ALA President Releases Statement on Libraries and the Affordable Care Act**

By: Jazzy Wright, Press Officer, ALA  
Date: 24 July 2013

With the enrollment for the Affordable Care Act beginning on Oct. 1, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the American Library Association (ALA) announce new resources available to libraries.

An IMLS cooperative agreement with OCLC’s WebJunction will result in online educational webinars, tip sheets and other resources to help library staff members respond to increased patron information needs related to the Health Insurance Marketplace. These resources include:

- [Sign-up opportunity](http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act) for anyone interested in receiving project activity updates, new online resources, webinar registrations and archived webinar recordings from WebJunction;
- [FAQs for library staff](http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act) with more information about WebJunction resources and the Health Insurance Marketplace;
- The link to the primary [U.S. government online tool](http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act) for delivering information to Americans about their healthcare options;
- [Info widgets for library websites](http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act), which will lead users directly to U.S. government info, available in English and in Spanish.

American Library Association (ALA) President Barbara Stripling and IMLS Director Susan Hildreth issued the following joint statement:

“Providing resources that help librarians answer patron requests for health insurance information furthers the long-standing commitment of both IMLS and ALA to make information more widely available to the public. We are delighted to help connect libraries to these resources so they can provide timely information to their customers. While libraries provide information in a way that best suits their own communities, IMLS and ALA stand ready to help all libraries prepare for the anticipated increased demand for health-related information.”

For more information and resources you can use, please go to: [http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act](http://www.ala.org/tools/affordable-care-act)
The American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago in June drew 26,300 librarians, exhibitors, authors, staff, paraprofessionals, teachers, and friends to the Windy City. It was an exciting conference with great speakers. I was excited to listen to Temple Grandin discuss the autistic brain and ways to assist those on the spectrum as library users, in our own families and those who may be working in libraries. Congressman John Lewis spoke about the civil rights movement. Although I didn’t see him on stage it was thrilling to see him in the exhibit hall autographing a forward he had written in a graphic novel and talking to those who had waited to see him. I tapped into new mystery writers, a personal guilty pleasure, at the Pop Top Stage during Mystery Day at the exhibit hall.

More importantly I took this opportunity to attend a number of ALA Council meetings with our Indiana Councilors, Terry Rheinheimer and ILF Past President Dennis Leloup. Your councilors are on the go starting with meetings at 8:30 in the morning and ending at 10:00 at night. You are ably represented by our councilors. I was delighted to witness them in action. Please be sure to thank them.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Sincerely,

Robin Crumrin

Pictures are from ALA Conference. Courtesy of Diane Bever.
To complete the ballot online go to: [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/D2P3ZBF](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/D2P3ZBF).

One ballot per member, please. An e-mail with the ballot was sent out on July 29. If you have not received a ballot e-mail, please check your SPAM or junk mail folders.

Please return this form to ILF via e-mail to askus@ilfonline.org or by fax (317-257-1389) or by U.S. mail to: 941 E. 86th St., Suite 260, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Please return by Sept. 17, 2013. CONFIDENTIAL: Voting is confidential, but we are asking for your last name & city to help us ensure our member records are current for voting privileges. Member names will be verified on a random basis.

CONFIDENTIAL: Last name: ______________________________ City of Library where employed: ______________________

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**VOTE FOR ONE Vice President (1-year term for 2014, followed by service as president in 2015)**

___ Beverly Gard, retired state senator and Hancock County Public Library trustee

**VOTE FOR ONE Director-at-Large: Candidates in alphabetical order (2-year term)**

___ Karen L. Long, Librarian at West Vigo Elementary School, AISLE member

___ Elizabeth Lorenzen, Librarian, Reference/Instruction Services, Indiana State University, IALA Member

___ Heather McNabb, Director of Poseyville Carnegie PL, IPLA and member of Library Information Technology Division

___ Susan Thomas, Head of Collection Services, Schurz Library, IU South Bend, IALA Member

**VOTE FOR ONE Secretary: Candidates in alphabetical order (2-year term)**

___ Kathy Burnette, School Librarian, Discovery Middle School, Granger

___ John T. Hidy, Manager, Security Services, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne

___ Elizabeth Schoettle, Director, Beech Grove Public Library

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END OF BALLOT—Please return to ILF by Sept. 17. Contact info at top of page.
See page 4 for information about candidates.
About the Candidates

Vice President (1 yr. term for 2014, followed by service as president 2015, must be a trustee; please vote for one on the ballot)
Beverly Gard, former state senator and current president of the board of trustees of Hancock County Public Library. She has served on the library board since 2001. As a member of the Indiana State Senate, Ms. Gard carried legislation on behalf of the ILF and fought onerous provisions that would not have been in the best interest of Indiana's libraries. During a time when Hancock County was trying to expand to countywide library service, her legislation put into place the unique funding mechanism that allowed them to become a countywide library.

Secretary (a 2-year term; please vote for one on the ballot)
Kathy Burnette, Discovery Middle School’s school librarian, has been a member of AISLE since 1991 and is on the YHBA Middle Grades committee for AISLE. She was just named “2013 Penn-Harris-Madison Teacher of the Year.” Kathy also serves on the 2014 YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Award committee and has spoken at past ILF conferences. She was instrumental in bringing One Book, One School to her community and has since presented on the subject at ILF’s annual conference. Kathy is also a member of ASLC, AASL, and YALSA—divisions of ALA. For several years, Kathy has volunteered with St. Joseph County Public Library and moderates the 300-member Goodreads Mock Printz club. Kathy is interested in serving as secretary in order to learn more about the ways ILF supports all librarians and, in particular, school librarians. She believes the only way to make a difference is to be involved and the best place to be involved is with the ILF, an organization that advocates for librarians.

John T. Hidy, Safety & Security Manager at Allen County Public Library, a member of IPLA and belongs to the Instruction and Education Division, the Support Staff Division, and Management Division. He is a Certified Institutional Protection Manager and Certified Institutional Protection Instructor. He has more than 20 years of experience managing facility operations, security, safety and personnel management. John has been a speaker at various libraries and institutions in northern Indiana and Ohio discussing topics pertaining to security management systems. He was also elected to serve 13 years as the town council president (Huntertown, IN). John has a B.S. in business management from Indiana Wesleyan University and an associate’s degree in applied science with an emphasis in organizational leadership and supervision.

Elizabeth Schoettle has served as director of the Beech Grove Public Library since October of 2011. Prior to that, she held management positions with the Indiana State Library, Johnson County Public Library and Indianapolis Public Library. She started her library career as a librarian with the Indianapolis Star library. Liz is a member the Management Division, Small & Medium Size Libraries Division, and Division on Women in Indiana Libraries. Liz stated that she would love the opportunity to serve as ILF Secretary and feels her judgment, leadership and varied experienced would be an asset to the ILF. As the director of a small library, she manages the personnel and financial aspects of the library and believes that experience would benefit service on the ILF executive committee.

At Large Member (a 2-year term; please vote for one on the ballot)
Karen L. Long - Library Media Specialist at West Vigo Elementary School since 1995, stated that she is interested in serving on the ILF Board in order to strengthen and develop all Indiana libraries. Karen has served on the ILF Conference Committee, the Burrin Award Committee, AISLE District 5 Representative for several years and also served the district and State Media Fair Judge 1994-2005. She helped establish the No Bullies Club at her school many years ago and continues to be a sponsor. She has written and received grants which benefit the school library and students.

Elizabeth Lorenzen - Reference/Instruction Librarian at Indiana State University with a career in librarianhip that spans over 25 years, having worked in both public, special, and academic libraries and in different areas of library services, encompassing both technical and public aspects of the profession. She is a member IALA. Elizabeth has served in many different capacities at the national level in the American Library Association, ACRL, and wishes to offer her experience in finance to the ILF.

Heather McNabb - Director at Poseyville Carnegie Public Library. She is a member of IPLA and serves on the Executive Board for ILF District 5/7. She is a member of the Library Information Technology Division and was a member of the inaugural 2012 cohort for the Indiana Librarians Leadership Academy. Heather advocates for partnerships and communication between various types of libraries as a means to expand service and professionalism and works diligently to promote public libraries as an essential component to community growth. She believes that the Indiana Library Federation is also passionate about the role of libraries in society. Heather hopes to offer her enthusiasm and skills to further the goals of ILF.

Susan Thomas - Head of Collection Services at Indiana University South Bend. Since 2004, Susan has been active with ILF having served on a Communications Charter Committee (2005) which studied the ILF’s communication and made recommendations for improvements. She also served as conference store committee co-chair in 2008; as treasurer of the Middle Managers Division, 2007; and most recently chaired the Management Division and is a member of the Mentoring Division. She began working as a public services librarian in 1991 after completing her MLS at Indiana University Bloomington. She was employed in Georgia and Oklahoma prior to that and has been active in ALA, holding elected positions for both ALCTS Collection Management Section and LLAMA’s Fundraising and Financial Development Section where she is the current chair.
Health Care Reform - Are You Prepared?

By Deb Johnson, R.E. Sutton

Since the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act went into effect on March 23, 2010, changes to health insurance plans and insurance programs have been constant. Some of the changes that have occurred already with significant impact are: elimination of lifetime maximums; coverage for dependents under the age of 26; preventive services are covered at 100%; and uniform summary of benefits must now be distributed. However, the most sweeping changes will take effect on the first renewal date following January 1, 2014. Individuals, Small Employers and Large Employers will all be impacted by Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) legislation going into effect in 2014.

Individuals will be required to be enrolled in a health care plan, whether it is through an employer, individual private coverage or Medicare/Medicaid. There are some exceptions. The most notable exception being family income below the threshold for filing a tax return ($10,000 for individuals / $20,000 for a family in 2013).

Large Employers (employers with 50 or more full-time equivalent employees) must provide affordable coverage to all employees working 30 hours or more. The coverage for these employees must also meet minimum value standards. Failure to meet these guidelines can result in substantial penalties. As of July 3, the penalties have been delayed until January, 2015. However, we are encouraging employers to use this time period as a trial run for compliance.

Small Employers will see extensive plan design changes. The most significant impact may be the introduction of Community Rating of health insurance premiums. Current rating allows insurance carriers to adjust premium based on the medical conditions of individual employer group and the age and gender of employees. Community Rating will not allow these adjustments. Rating will be based on the age of the employees (but not to the extent in the past), geographic location and tobacco use. Based on all information we have received we expect the younger, more healthy groups will see the most impact while the older, less healthy groups will be less impacted by the rate increases.

Other changes required for Small Employers in 2014 include Metallic Coverage Levels and Essential Health Benefits. Under Affordable Care Act (ACA), insurers will be required to offer plans that fit within four levels of coverage: bronze, silver, gold and platinum. Insurers don't have to offer plans in all four levels, but within the health insurance Exchanges, all insurers must offer at least one silver and one gold plan. These plans must also include 10 specific benefits – many of which are already part of most insurance offerings now. Employers need not be too concerned about compliance with these two changes since insurance carriers can only offer plans that meet these PPACA required guidelines.

Plan Deductibles for Small Employers cannot exceed $2,000 single / $4,000 family. This change will impact many employers that offer High Deductible Health Plans with HSAs.

There are some legislative requirements for 2014 that impact all employers:

- 90-day waiting period - Employees must not be required to wait more than 90 days to be added to your group insurance plan.

- Exchange Notice - All employers whether currently offering health benefits or not—must notify employees of the availability of Public Exchanges by October 1. The model notice is available on the Department of Labor website. For those libraries currently working with the RE Sutton office, we will be sending you a sample notice with instructions for distribution in late August or early September. At this time there is no specific information regarding the Public Exchange available on the website.

- Out-of-Pocket Limits must not exceed $6,400 single / $12,800 family in 2014.

This article highlights just some of the health care changes expected in 2014. Future articles will focus on specific issues.

Recommended websites for more information about Health Care Reform: http://kff.org/health-reform/ and http://www.healthcare.org

Don't forget to check out the new volume of Indiana Libraries journal! To access the lastest issue on Copyright, go to: http://journals.iupui.edu/index.php/IndianaLibraries/index
Library Information and Technology Division (LITD) Update

Kate Moore reports that the LITD Executive Committee recently started the listserv ilf_infotech@lists.in.gov which was created to disseminate library tech-related events going on around Indiana, as well as messages from the LITD Executive Committee.

There’s also the “techies” listserv which is now managed by MCLS-- techies@lists.mcls.org : “Techies is an unmoderated e-mail list geared towards the computer / technical staff at Indiana and Michigan libraries and MCLS. The purpose of this list is to facilitate greater communication between the technical staff at MCLS and its counterparts at MCLS member libraries, and to share ideas, experiences and suggestions for setting up networks, hardware, and software. Additional objectives are to introduce a wide range of techies to different points of view regarding issues like security, e-mail clients, and operating systems, and to share ideas, issues and concerns facing the various networks of libraries.”

Save the Date!

Mon., October 21, 2013

Insurance Breakfast, Fall Forum & IPLA Advocacy Training

Every fall, the insurance broker Richard Sutton and his staff, along with a representative from Anthem, provides an update during breakfast to ILF members so we can learn about health insurance trends and news about regarding upcoming rates. With the changes in the health care industry, this year’s breakfast and information will include timely information about the “exchanges” and other options. RE Sutton and staff have served the ILF for more than 17 years. This breakfast will be at the Indiana State Library, Indiana Authors Room and is free, thanks to the ILF Insurance Committee. Registration is required (see link below). Registration is at 8:30 a.m. for with breakfast at 9.

Following breakfast, from 10:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., the legislative committee is proud to host the annual Fall Forum/ Legislative Update at the Indiana State Library’s History Reference Room. Please register for this event (see link below). Serving ILF for more than 18 years, advocates Carolyn Elliott and Matthew Long will be on hand to discuss current legislative activities and relevant issues for libraries. Plans are underway for a guest speaker.

From 12:45 p.m. to 2 p.m., everyone may choose where to go for lunch. It is optional, but we’d like to encourage you to attend the IPLA Advocacy Training at the Indiana Convention Center, ($25 Members, $37.50 Non-Members). This event runs from 2 to 5 p.m. and is part of the annual conference’s preconference. Sponsored by the IPLA.

Turning the Page Advocacy Workshop: What do disaster preparedness and advocacy have in common? Several things, actually. Planning, preparation, practice, communication, and implementation. But which of these are often overlooked? (Hint: You can’t plan the response and preparation for the disaster in the midst of the disaster.) Advocacy is no different. What relationships are you developing today to insure your tomorrow? What role does your staff play in advocating for library service? Do you have a plan? During our interactive time together, we’ll discuss key pieces of the advocacy puzzle, begin the framework of an advocacy work plan (if you don’t already have one) and share participant best practices.

Speaker Amy Mangold of the Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library was selected to attend ALA’s special training on advocacy and she is traveling the state to share best practices and tips on this important topic.

To register for one or more of these events, visit the ILF website under “Events” and choose (a), (b) or (c) or any combination of the above. You may also click here.
Reference Division Conference
Leadership Styles: Perspectives of Librarians

Tuesday, August 6
Flagship Center, exit 22 in Anderson (just off I-69)

Members - $55  Non-Members - $82 (25% late fee after July 30)

ABOUT THIS EVENT: Attendees will learn about motivational techniques and skill sets of effective leaders. Speakers will share what has worked for them, personal anecdotes and more. Learn from your colleagues how to strengthen your leadership skills.

Topics include: leading change, your personal leading style, the qualities of leadership, and more.

For a printable brochure, go to:  www.ilfonline.org/2013referencedivisionconfbrochure

HOW TO REGISTER: Go to “Events” on  http://www.ilfonline.org. Please share this information with your colleagues!

CYPD Conference - Leading the Charge

August 25-26, 2013
Marriott East - Indianapolis

Member: $200  Non-Member: $275
Indianapolis Marriott East, 7202 East 21st Street • Indianapolis, Indiana 46219
Late Registration Begins August 13 at 12:00 am
ALL REGISTRATION CLOSES: August 20 at 11:59 pm

Are you ready for the CYPD Conference? This year’s conference is being held at the Marriott East in Indianapolis on August 25-26. Registration for the conference is now open!

This year’s CYPD Conference theme is “Leading the Charge.” Featured speakers will be Anna Dewdney, Barry Lyga, David Lubar, and John Shumacher. Also present this year will be a variety of high quality sessions, exhibitors, dinners, networking opportunities, and much more.

For a link to an exciting video to get you pumped up and ready to lead the charge look on the Events page of ILF.
To register go to:  http://www.ilfonline.org and click on “Events”. Contact the ILF office at  askus@ilfonline.org for questions.

2013 SAMS Conference: Small And Mighty Superheroes
Pendleton Community Public Library
September 19-20, 2013

Registration Price:
Pre-Conference (Sept. 19): $40 Member, $60 Non-Member
Conference (Sept. 20): $50 Member: $75 Non-Member

Keynote Speaker: Cathy Wright-Eger, Purdue University
For a printable brochure, please go to:  http://www.ilfonline.org/main/sams-conference/
Go to:  http://www.ilfonline.org and click on “Events” to register today!
Introducing the New School of Informatics and Computing at Indiana University

A message from IU SLIS

Thanks from IU SLIS to ILF members for their help, support, planning ideas, and energy as we look to the future. Our merger with the School of Informatics was official on July 1, 2013. The announcement emphasizes: Innovation. It’s who we are and why we are here.

At the new School of Informatics and Computing, innovation starts with our very existence. Our school brings together two leading Indiana University schools: the School of Informatics and the School of Library and Information Science. Our rare combination of programs—including informatics, computer science, library science, and information science—makes our school one of the largest, broadest, and most accomplished of its kind.

Our extensive programs are united by a focus on information and technology. These rapidly evolving fields demand new ideas, new discoveries, new applications—the types of innovations our faculty develop and the kinds of complex problems our students learn to solve.

The SLIS program at Bloomington is now the Department of Information and Library Science and the Indianapolis program is the Department of Library and Information Science, both within the merged school. These departments are responsible for our ALA-accredited programs. Faculty and staff on both campuses are working closely to announce and celebrate our new school. Details will be included on the new school portal page: http://soic.indiana.edu.

Mark Your Calendars for a special launch ceremony on Friday, September 27, 2013 at 3 p.m. that will feature Peter Lee, Corporate Vice President, Head of Microsoft Research USA. IU President Michael A. McRobbie and speakers representing the faculty and students will also comment on the new school’s promise and potential.

Everyday Superheroes in the Library (Oct. 21-23, 2013)

We listened to you because we care! The ILF staff and conference planning team carefully reviewed last year’s conference evaluations, and we kept your suggestions in mind. This year, there will be free wi-fi; there will be more sessions closer in location and timing which appeal to a specific audience type, and there will be (fingers crossed) a lunch option in-house. We are still working on that.

Boopsie will return as a sponsor, so you may check the conference schedule on your smart phone. There are more than 140 sessions that will appeal to trustees, directors, support staff, and librarians at academic, school and public libraries. Amenities such as nice bags, water bottles, water stations and new items in the conference store will add to the experience.

Scott Jones, a visionary, inventor and co-founder of ChaCha, will kick off the conference as keynote speaker on Oct. 22. State Superintendent Glenda Ritz will join us Oct. 23 as keynote speaker. You’ll want to hear both of these outstanding speakers. Excellent speakers and authors are lined up for lunch and dinner events, too.

A sampling of sessions at preconference include: RDA, copyright topics, getting results with Facebook, the emotionally intelligent employee, school library Makerspace, and the IPLA-sponsored event entitled, “Turning the Page Advocacy Workshop.” This session allows attendees to think about relationships they are developing, the role of library staff in advocating for library service, and key pieces of the advocacy puzzle which will help you build a framework for an advocacy plan.

On Oct. 22, divisions will have roundtables so this will be a great time to meet, network, and finalize officer appointments. Some may choose to start working on new business for 2014. Look for an e-mail from Shannon for space allotments.

The early bird rate ends Sept. 12 ($180 for full conference or $155 for one day). After that, regular registration begins and runs through Oct. 7. Those rates increase by $15-$20. Students and retirees enjoy a special registration rate of $60 early bird. Go to http://www.ilfonline.org and select 2013 conference to register online soon!

PS. Those who have been members since the mid-70s will be honored at the Awards Banquet Oct. 22. Members of ILF since 1993 may inquire at askus@ilfonline.org to receive a promotion code to save $15.
Affiliate Assembly 2013

By Kathy Hicks-Brooks, Ben Davis High School

The McCormick Place was the perfect setting for librarians to meet, mingle, learn and instruct. The American Library Association (ALA) held its annual conference in Chicago this past June. Although it was a little rainy outside, inside there was sunlight and happy faces. The exhibit halls had lots of free advanced reader copies of new books, posters, bags and sales pitches for all who entered. Authors were on hand to sign their latest novel and pose for pictures.

Outside of the exhibit halls, committee meetings, banquets, and informative sessions were being held over the massive square footage of the Chicago venue. One of these such meetings held representatives from each state, coming together to do the work for school librarians: the affiliate assembly. The Affiliate Assembly I took place on Friday night, after approving minutes from mid-winter we looked at and worked on concerns sent to the assembly from the affiliate assembly executive committee. In Affiliate Assembly II after hearing a presentation on “Knowledge Quest” and “The Freedom to Read Foundation” the assembly then voted on the concerns and commendations.

The concerns that were approved by the affiliate assembly included:

- Review and update the Crosswalk of the Common Core
- Standards and the Standards for the 21st Century Learner for consistency and flow
- Collect exemplars from state affiliates’ crosswalks that focus on the standards that librarians own, teach and assess
- Publish refined Crosswalk
- Create a task force to produce products such as position paper, toolkits, etc.
- Investigate partnerships associated with Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) initiatives; The ALA School Library Task Force, initiated by ALA President Maureen Sullivan
- Seek support of state library agencies
- Creation of a toolkit for school libraries serving homeless and transient student populations.

An Indiana agency was one of the commendations approved by the affiliate assembly this year. The Gary Literacy Coalition (GLC) was formed to direct the actions of “The Reach Out and Read Program,” a national program that places books in doctors’ offices around the Gary area, so that each child that visits the doctor may leave with a book. However, under the direction of Era Twyman, the programs director, The Gary Literacy Coalition has evolved in to an agency that is trying to eradicate illiteracy in Gary, Indiana, one student at a time. The agency now gives out over 40,000 books each year.

This conference raps up my three year service as the Affiliate Representative for the American Association of School Librarians (AASL). It has been a pleasure working with everyone and I hope to stay involved in AISLE as well as a few national and regional committees that I am working with. I am also looking forward to my first AASL conference in November.

ALA Launches “ALA Liberty”

On July 15, American Library Association (ALA) launched “ALA Liberty,” a new website that contains tools libraries can use to host public forums that help Americans understand their privacy rights.

The ALA Washington Office (contact information) wants to hear feedback from members and non-members: Toolkits, templates, trainings and technical assistance aren’t helpful if they aren’t targeted toward your specific interests and needs. We want to know about the policy and funding issues that interest you, any barriers you may face and the tactics and strategies you believe would be most effective in helping you move forward. To help them understand all this better, please complete their short survey.

Sample social media language: “Want to lead your community on #privacy issues? Use #ALA Liberty tools for #libraries wwwALA.org/liberty”

Which library advocacy tools should #ALA provide? Let them know!
Guggenheim Life and Annuity announced on July 13, that it will be the presenting sponsor of The Guilded Leaf Book and Author Luncheon that will take place on Thursday, October 24, 2013. The Guilded Leaf Book and Author Luncheon is a one-day signature event of the Carmel Clay Public Library Foundation, featuring nationally recognized and best-loved authors.

“We are pleased to have partnered with an organization that provides excellent educational and cultural resources to our community,” said Karen Maginn, Vice President of Marketing at Guggenheim Life and Annuity.

Last year’s luncheon was attended by nearly 500 guests, and since its inception in 2005, has generated nearly $500,000 to support children’s literacy programs at the Carmel Clay Public Library.

“We are very excited to welcome Guggenheim Life and Annuity as the presenting sponsor of The Guilded Leaf. They recognize the value of education, literacy, and cultural opportunities in our community, and want to support the library’s efforts,” said Ruth Nisenshal, Foundation Director.

This year’s luncheon will take place on Thursday, October 24, at the Ritz Charles in Carmel, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Six nationally known authors are scheduled. Attendees have the opportunity to speak to the authors, purchase their books, hear their engaging stories, bid on silent auction items, and enjoy an elegant lunch with fellow book lovers. Tickets are $70 each, $1,200 for corporate tables. Sponsorships or reservations can be made by calling the Foundation office at 317-814-3905.

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**News, Updates and Announcements**

**Avon-Washington Township Public Library Director Appointed to ILHB**

Congratulations to Laurel Setser, director of the Avon-Washington Twp. Public Library for being appointed by Indiana Governor Mike Pence to the Indiana Library and Historical Board (ILHB).

**Hancock County Public Library Welcomes New Assistant Director**

Barbara Roark began her new position as the assistant director for the Hancock County Public Library on May 20, 2013. Barbara previously served as director of libraries in Kentucky, Michigan and Wisconsin with over 30 years experience on the job. She received her master’s of library science degree from the University of Kentucky; and, at age 23 after serving as a children’s librarian for six months, became the youngest director of a library in that state at the time.

**Former Pike Township Public Library Board Member Receives Award**

Former Pike Township Public Library board member, Lauren Kniola was recognized as 2013 Teacher of the Year, and Pike Township won the ALA School Library of the Year award at the 2013 ALA Conference.

For the last couple years, Jill Harness has been rounding up the world's most beautiful libraries by continent. In her book, *62 of the World's Most Beautiful Libraries* Indianapolis Public Library is listed as number 41.

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