Pause for the Past - Build for the Future
2016 ILF Annual Conference
November 8-10

The ILF Annual Conference theme “Pause for the Past - Build for the Future” is a fitting theme for ILF’s 125th anniversary year and the Indiana Bicentennial. It is a time for us to Pause and look back at our past, where we started and who came before us and to think about our future and how we might Build a brighter future for those who follow us. The annual conference committee has worked to bring you sessions that will not only have you reflecting on the past, but looking to build a better future for your libraries, your communities, and yourselves.

Here are some of the highlights of this year’s conference:

- **Keynote speakers** are James Patterson and Barbara Stripling.
- **Preconference** – Sessions will only be offered in the afternoon to give attendees the opportunity to vote before coming. 
- **WiFi** – Free onsite. Don’t forget to download Sched to your device for updated session, speaker, and exhibitor information.
- **Hotel Location** – Marriott East just off I-465 East near Shadeland and 21st Street.
- **Highlighted Speakers** – A great mix of speakers from out of state and Hoosier librarians will share their expertise in 112 sessions.
- **Balanced Days with a Multitude of Topics** — Approximately 13 sessions per hour for two days, you are sure to find what you’re looking for given this wide range of topics!
- **President’s Wine & Cheese Reception** (sponsored by Follett) - We will be holding the President’s Wine and Cheese Reception again this year, where we will celebrate the achievements of recently retired librarians and directors and conference volunteers.
- **Roundtables** – On Wednesday, Nov. 9, there will be a designated session time for associations and divisions to hold roundtables, network, and handle unit business.
- **Exhibitors & Silent Auction** – More details to follow.
- **Awards, Honors & Scholarship Luncheon, Special Luncheons, YHBA Banquet** – Each of these events showcase outstanding speakers and celebrate excellence in Indiana libraries.
- **Registration** — Will open in early July. Registration rates are listed on the ILF website at:
  https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/page/attendeeprice

More information about the annual conference can be found on page 7.
As I finalized reports and other items in the library at the end of the school year, I stopped to think about the theme for this year’s ILF annual conference in November: “Pause for the Past, Build for the Future.” It is one worth thinking about because any library or organization has to compare what it has done in the recent past with what has come before. It is necessary in order to show growth or areas of needed improvement that make us accountable to all of our stakeholders and to ourselves.

While reminiscent of “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it” (Santayana, 1905), the phrase that is the basis for the 2016 Indiana Library Federation Conference is a much more positive one. “Pause for the past” lets us know that we need to stop and ponder, but not dwell on what has happened previously. Yet when placed with the next portion, “build for the future,” it shows us that we build based upon that past and learn from it as we move on to the next step.

The phrase also applies to what is happening at the Indiana Library Federation. At the end of June, we welcome our new Executive Director, Lucinda Nord. Lucinda is pauseing to take time to get to know the people and policies of the Federation before helping us to navigate the future. There are exciting times ahead with the overall goal being to bring libraries to the forefront of our communities, whether it is the public, academic, or school library sectors. Lucinda will be asking many of you for your input about libraries in general as the Federation looks to become even more supportive of your institutions.

The upcoming CYPD conference (August 21 and 22) is entitled Reboot. The CYPD theme was chosen because “libraries are much like the fictional characters in a comic book franchise. They reboot or reimagine themselves in order to remain relevant and exciting. Sometimes this means discarding the past, such as the notion of the quiet librarian, while other times it means improving current services. Each change and each new approach tell the story of the library in a unique way” (conference brochure). Keynote speaker for the CYPD conference, author Matt de La Pena regularly looks at his past through his heritage when writing. Along with additional speakers Randy Dykhuis, Bryce Koza, and Nate Powell, this conference “reboot” will help you build your future. (Conference registration is now open.)

Your Indiana Library Federation Conference Committee has been working extremely hard to make this year’s conference the best yet. This is the 125th anniversary of the creation of ILF (and Indiana’s 200th birthday) and the “Pause for the Past, Build for the Future” theme is reflective of that. Bringing in James Patterson as the keynote speaker continues the theme as he works to bring reading and the importance of libraries to our youth. We also look to our second day keynote, Barbara Stripling, ALA President in 2013-2014, as another person to provide information to help us build our future together. With a great selection of concurrent sessions, this is definitely going to be a conference that you don’t want to miss. (Registration opens in July.)

Working in busy libraries, we don’t always take the time to reflect, but I hope you are able to take some time this summer to look at where you have been, what you can do to renew and use this past to build your future.

Robyn Young, 2016 ILF President
Libraries “Reboot!” at the Children and Young People’s Conference
August 21-22, 2016
Indianapolis Marriott East

Registration Rates:
Full Conference - Member $165, Non-Member $250
Sunday Only - Member $100, Non-Member $150
Monday Only - Member $90, Non-Member $135

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The Children and Young People’s Division of the Indiana Library Federation will explore various ways libraries recreate their missions and programs to benefit their communities. This year’s conference, simply called “Reboot!”, has sessions ranging from the use of drones in storytimes, to reimaging book talks, rebooting teen programs, and much more! The annual conference will be held at the Indianapolis Marriott East on August 21st and 22nd. Registration for the conference is currently open and can be accessed on the ILF website.

In addition to the break-out sessions, this year’s keynote speakers include: Randy Dykhuis, the Executive Director of the Midwest Collaborative for Library Services; ALA emerging leader S. Bryce Kozla; New York Times best-selling graphic novelist and Eisner award winner Nate Powell; and 2016 Newbery Medal winner Matt de la Pena.

Other activities include a craft room with sample library crafts and vendors’ tables consisting of their exhibits.

The two-day conference also provides plenty of time to network with other professionals. Some of the best ideas arise from the conversations between peers and colleagues. Whether it is relaxing during the evening or conversing at lunch, there are always opportunities to meet fellow librarians and get a glimpse of the field.

Make sure to save the date for this year’s conference! The annual Children and Young People’s conference is a great place to learn and have fun, while being inspired to impact young minds. It is a creative gathering of librarians sharing ideas that will improve our communities and “Reboot!” our libraries. -ILF Children and Young People’s Division

For more information and to register go to https://ilfonline.site-yt.com/page/cypdconference. Questions? Contact Tisa Davis (tdavis@ilfonline.org or 317-257-2040 ext. 104)

NIE Foundation Indiana Bicentennial Series

The Indiana Newspaper in Education Foundation, the Indiana State Reading Association, the Indiana Library Federation (ILF), and the Hoosier State Press Association Foundation (HSPA) are partnering to produce a 15- part newspaper series bound in a hardcover, four color book – So you think you know Indiana? Celebrating 200 years of the Hoosier state.

This fascinating newspaper series - written by Nelson Price, an Indianapolis-based author, journalist, historian and broadcast personality will target fourth graders who study Indiana history. However, Price’s stories will attract adult readers as well.

Price will tackle 15 fascinating topics including famous Hoosiers, overlooked Hoosiers, quirky facts about Indiana, ethnic immigration, population shifts, ancient people, ancient animal life, Indiana in the Civil War (Underground Railroad), interesting Indiana names (counties, cities, lakes and other places), Indiana landmarks (monuments, barns, covered bridges, hotels), women who changed the state, Lincoln’s experiences in school and in a blended family, and myths and misconceptions about the state.

Through this partnership, every elementary school library in Indiana will receive a free copy. Pre-order your copy now for $11. The deadline to order is July 8.

School orders by check: http://www.hspsafoundation.org/registration/schools-book/
**The Difference is You Conference** will be held at the Indianapolis Central Library on August 10. Plan to attend this one-day professional development event, specifically tailored for Indiana library support staff and paraprofessionals. This event has been designed with YOU in mind and will cover the following topics: surviving challenging co-workers, tips and tricks for searching the Internet, beginning genealogy, INSPIRE, ILL and SRC, working with a challenging boss, teen programming, and more! Registration is only $25! To register go to: https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/page/thedifferenceisyou.

The ever-popular **Children and Young People's Division (CYPD) Conference** will be held at the Marriott East, in Indianapolis on August 21-22. Conference rates are **Full Conference** - member $165 non-member $250, **Sunday only** - member $100 non-member $150 and **Monday only** - member $90 non-member $135. Conference sessions will include Preschool programming, LSTA grants, graphic novels, teen programming, book talks, STEM, and more! For hotel rates, registration and more go to: https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/page/cypdeconference

Plans are being made for the **Small and Medium Size Libraries (SAMS) Conference** which will be held at the Alexandria Monroe Public Library on September 15-16. Registration rates are **Pre-conference (Sept. 15)** $40 for members, $60 for non-members, **conference (Sept. 16)** $40 for members, $60 for non-members. More information about this conference will be available soon at http://www.ilfonline.org/page/SAMSConference.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Arrangements are being made for the **IPLA Conference** on October 4 and the **Legislative Fall Forum** on October 5 at Ft. Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis. For registration rates and more information go to www.ilfonline.org and click on "Events." Plans are not finalized for either event at this time.

**Message from Interim Executive Director, Beverly Martin...**

As I completed some last minute tasks in the ILF Office, I took time to reflect on my six months working with the ILF Board, staff and membership as the Interim Executive Director. We have indeed accomplished some very significant goals. Camp Leadership got everyone off to a great start using a new format that was more interactive and directed at problem solving.

Under the leadership of David Peter and spearheaded by Megan Zanto, the Annual Conference Committee has a fantastic Fall Conference planned. They hope to have the preliminary program released and registration opened by early July.

Megan and I worked diligently to share with public library directors the importance of having a library membership in ILF. As a result, a significant number of libraries have renewed.

Tisa Davis has kept lines of communications open with the membership. Under her guidance, the District Conferences were held successfully and the planning for the CYPD and SAMS Conferences are all under way.

The Financial Reports have been expanded to give Board members and the membership a concise insight into ILF’s strong fiscal status. This work was led by our Financial Manager, Susan Smith with the help of Kevin Petsche and Stephanie Davis, ILF Treasurer and ILF Assistant Treasurer, respectively.

A new Executive Director, Lucinda Nord, began her career with the Federation at the end of June after a thorough and diligent search made by the Executive Committee and Board. We were all elated when Lucinda accepted the job offer. She will lead ILF to new heights!

I wanted to share what an honor it has been for me to work with ILF in this role. Not only did I find my partial retirement rewarding, but more rewarding was all the interaction I had with staff and members of ILF. It has been a privilege to share my leadership skills. Our volunteers and unit leaders are exemplary and working with Robyn Young, the ILF President has been a real joy.

Those of you who know me, have an insight into my passion for libraries and for the work of the Indiana Library Federation. For those who have come to know me these past six months, I hope you too have a sense of my feelings. I want to thank you all and the ILF Board for giving me this opportunity to future expand upon that passion.

Beverly Martin
MCLS Community Conversation Invitation for Indiana Libraries

MCLS would like to invite you to a special event. In August/September, MCLS will be hosting a series of six in-person Community Conversations for Indiana libraries. These meetings have been scheduled at libraries throughout the central and northern portion of the state, and each one will last about two hours. Another round of conversations was completed in March 2016 in the southern portion of the state.

The process used for facilitating these conversations is based on the work of The Harwood Institute for Public Innovation. The purpose is to gain public knowledge of what really matters to Indiana libraries and to begin taking steps to actualize the library community's aspirations. The last series of conversations were held in December 2014. Several themes emerged from those conversations, and MCLS wants to keep the momentum going and dig a little deeper into these topics:

- The evolving role of libraries in our local communities
- Measuring impact
- Skills needed for the 21st century library
- Mentoring new librarians and emerging leaders
- The state of information literacy and critical thinking skills of students/the reduction of librarians in our schools

Input is needed from libraries of all types, sizes, and geographic areas to make this effort an authentic representation of Indiana libraries. Please consider joining MCLS and sharing your thoughts, challenges, and hopes for the greater Indiana library community. You do not have to be an expert, just speak openly and candidly from your experience and point of view.

The dates, times, and locations are listed below. All library staff are welcome. To have a meaningful conversation, attendees will be limited to 12 at each session. Because of this, MCLS requests that you consider limiting the number of attendees from your library system. Registration is free and on a “first come, first served” basis. A waiting list will be kept. As in the first round, the meetings will be kept to 2 hours.

- August 22, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Eastern) Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne
- August 26, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Eastern) Indianapolis Public Library-Library Services Center, Indianapolis
- August 30, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Eastern) Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Library, Zionsville
- August 31, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Central) Lake County Public Library, Merrillville
- September 1, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Eastern) Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library, Mishawaka
- September 2, 2016 from 10am-12pm (Eastern) Indianapolis Public Library-Library Services Center, Indianapolis

Registration is now open. To register for one of these sessions, click here. For questions, contact Michelle Bradley at bradleym@mcls.org. For more information about the Harwood Institute, please visit their website. For more information about our involvement and interest in the Harwood process, please visit the MCLS website.

Get Involved with ILF: Volunteer at Annual Conference

Do you want to get involved with ILF but don’t know where to begin? We have an opportunity for you to get involved by donating some of your time during the conference as a volunteer! The 2016 ILF Annual Conference, “Pause for the Past – Build for the Future,” needs volunteers to work several areas during the conference. Volunteering is a great way to network while getting a behind-the-scenes look at the conference and potentially earning a conference discount. Volunteering is open to all conference attendees. Volunteers assist and support the following key areas of the conference:

- Registration
- Technology/AV
- Hospitality/Exhibitors
- Author Signings
- Silent Auction

If you are interested in becoming a conference volunteer, please fill out this form and send to Mary Clare Speckner at mcspeckner@barth.lib.in.us.
ALA President Responds to Orlando Mass Shooting

American Library Association (ALA) President Sari Feldman released the following statement regarding the tragic mass shooting at Pulse, a popular GLBTQ nightclub in Orlando, Florida.

“The library community is deeply saddened by the tragedy at the Pulse nightclub in Orlando,” said Feldman. “Our thoughts are with the victims, their families and friends, and the GLBTQ community.

“Our nation’s libraries serve communities with equity, dignity and respect. ALA will carry this legacy to Orlando. In defiance of fear, ignorance and intolerance, the library community will continue its profound commitment to transforming communities by lending its support.

“In less than two weeks the ALA will host its Annual Conference and Exhibition at the Orange County Convention Center. We will work collaboratively with the leaders of ALA’s Task Force on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion; Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT); ethnic caucuses; and executive office to discuss our expressions of support. ALA Conference Services has reached out to our convention center partners and are working closely with them and local authorities to ensure that we will have a safe and secure conference.

“As the ALA prepares, I can’t help but recall past conferences where attendees rolled up their sleeves to foster change. ALA conference attendees were on the front lines of relief and social justice efforts as they supported New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina; Toronto during the SARS virus outbreak; and now continuing their support in Orlando despite this weekend’s senseless act of violence. We will actively reach out to local groups in Orlando to determine the most effective ways we can lend support and contribute to the healing.

“Librarians and library workers are community leaders, motivators and social change agents. During the conference attendees will hold the power to influence social change by means of example. Members will have an opportunity to support the people of Orlando by wearing armbands in support of diversity, equality and inclusion; volunteering for community relief projects; and supporting local minority owned businesses. The ALA also is currently working on efforts to support an onsite blood drive and Read-Out event.

“You can make a difference regardless of whether you attend the ALA Annual Conference. In a tragedy, we often feel overwhelmed or powerless, but within the next few days the ALA Annual Conference website at http://2016.alaannual.org will empower members to give support. The site will provide a list of relief organizations supporting Orlando shooting victims and their families. The site also will have information regarding ALA diversity and inclusion resources.

“Like the libraries we represent, the profession’s commitment to supporting communities, social justice, and abolishing intolerance is unwavering.”

The American Library Association is the oldest and largest library association in the world, with more than 58,000 members in academic, public, school, government, and special libraries. The mission of the American Library Association is to provide leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

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Not an ILF Member? Join today!

The mission of ILF is to foster the professional growth of its members and to promote all types of libraries in Indiana. Your membership is essential to our success in advocating for libraries. There are many benefits to ILF membership, including important networking opportunities, supportive work on behalf of libraries in the legislative arena, ability to receive reduced rates to ILF’s outstanding conferences which provide valuable continuing education credits and more.

The Indiana Library Federation offers a one-time initial personal membership of $40 to anyone who wishes to join under the condition that the individual has never been a member of the Indiana Library Federation.

Click here to become a member or click here to renew.
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Indianapolis, Marriott East
7202 E. 21st St., Indianapolis, IN

Registration Rates:
Full Conference - Early Bird
Member - $170 Non-member - $255

One-Day - Early Bird
Member - $150 Non-member - $225

*More information about Trustee, Student, Friends, and Retiree prices, as well as the regular and late registration prices are provided on the ILF website.

Keynote Speakers:

• **Wednesday, November 9** - James Patterson will be our keynote speaker on Wednesday, November 9. Patterson is a *New York Times* best selling author with over 147 books in publication. Patterson is the creator of the top-selling detective series of the past dozen years, featuring Alex Cross and including the Hollywood-adapted *Along Came a Spider* and *Kiss the Girls*, starring Academy Award-winning actor Morgan Freeman. He is also the creator of the #1 new detective series of the past five years, featuring Lindsay Boxer and the *Women’s Murder Club*, from which the ABC television drama series was adapted. He has authored books behind six films on the Hollywood fast-track, including the *Maximum Ride* movie forthcoming from Avi Arad, the producer of *X-Men* and *Spiderman.*

He has won awards including the Edgar, the BCA Mystery Guild’s Thriller of the Year, the International Thriller of the Year Award, and the Reader’s Digest Reader’s Choice Award. And, he has won a Children’s Choice Book Council’s Children’s Choice Awards “Author of the Year” award (2010).

• **Thursday, November 10** - Barbara Stripling was the ALA president in 2013-14. In January 2012, she became assistant professor of practice at Syracuse University, where she is teaching library science classes and preparing our next generation of librarians. In May 2011, she earned her doctorate degree from the School of Information Studies, Syracuse University. Stripling came to Syracuse after having served as director of School Library Services for the 1700 public schools in New York City for seven years.

• **Featured speakers:** More than 100 Hoosier librarians are ready to share their expertise with you. There are also many speakers from the Midwest who will present their knowledge on a range of topics. They are Audrey Church, AASL; Carl A. Harvey II, Longwood University; Angela Hursh, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County; Emily Plagman, PLA; Sally Decker Smith, Illinois Library Association; Laura Solomon, OPLIN; and Sara Trettin, U.S. Department of Education.

• **President’s Wine and Cheese Reception (sponsored by Follett):** We will be holding the President’s Wine and Cheese Reception again this year, where we will celebrate the achievements of recently retired librarians and directors and conference volunteers.

• **Shuttle Service:** Limited transportation will be offered at limited times of the day; once at the beginning of the day and once at the end of the day.

• **Overflow parking:** We will be using the Old Bethel United Methodist Church (7995 E 21st St, Indianapolis 46219) as an overflow parking lot. However, we do encourage attendees to carpool when possible.
MCLS Announces “Libraries Read: 1 Book” Title Selection

“Is Google making us stupid?” Nicholas Carr asked, in a celebrated Atlantic Monthly cover story. Carr delves further into the question in his book The Shallows: What the Internet is doing to our brains, the selected title for “Libraries Read: 1 Book.”

Midwest Collaborative for Library Services (MCLS) invited library staff across Indiana and Michigan to place votes on one of four titles to select one book that we will all read and discuss together for professional development. Nicholas Carr’s book captured the most votes. In The Shallows, he explores the net’s intellectual and cultural consequences.

MCLS encourages library staff to read the book throughout June and July, then join us in a live Twitter chat about the book on Thursday, July 21 at 2pm eastern at #MCLSchat. Regional discussions will also be announced and take place in early August.

According to Randy Dykhuis, MCLS Executive Director, “During 2014, MCLS conducted a series of community conversations with librarians throughout Indiana and Michigan, utilizing the tools from the Harwood Institute for Public Innovation. The desire to have discussions in many formats, and to communicate with one another outside of our silos was a recurring theme. By reading one book together, we aim to create deeper connections among libraries that span geographic and other boundaries.”

For more information about “Libraries Read: 1 Book”, contact Michelle Bradley at Bradleym@mcls.org, visit our Facebook page or read our blog.

About MCLS:
The Midwest Collaborative for Library Services (MCLS) is a non-profit, member-driven organization whose mission is to facilitate sharing resources and to collaborate with other organizations to benefit Michigan and Indiana libraries.

MCLS Awards Scholarships to Nine Indiana libraries for the Harwood Virtual Public Innovators Lab

MCLS is pleased to announce that 10 individuals from nine Indiana libraries were selected to receive a scholarship from MCLS to participate in the Harwood Virtual Public Innovators Lab, June 23 to August 11, 2016.

The funds were made available to MCLS member libraries through a grant program established by the MCLS Board of Trustees from the proceeds of the sale of the former INCOLSA building in Indiana.

The Harwood Virtual Public Innovators Lab takes their signature 2.5-day training and transforms it into an interactive 8-week online course to help libraries learn what it means to turn outward – to use the community, not the conference room, as the reference point for choices and action. Participants will get the same quality training delivered in an innovative, new way.

According to MCLS Executive Director, Randy Dykhuis, “MCLS has been using the community engagement tools of the Harwood Institute and sharing them with libraries in Indiana and Michigan since 2013. We are excited to be able to support training for Indiana librarians in this proven community engagement method.”

The selected libraries represent a spectrum of library types, sizes, and geographic locations in Indiana, all with a common goal to engage more deeply in their communities.

The following libraries were selected:
• Bristol Washington Township Public Library
• Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library
• Jackson County Public Library
• Tipton County Public Library
• Wells County Public Library
• Eckhart Public Library (Auburn)
• Hagerstown Public Library
• Ohio Township Public Library (Newburgh)
• Vigo County Public Library

MCLS is committed to continuing to support the community engagement efforts of Indiana and Michigan libraries beyond the Lab, and will offer communication forums through social media and community engagement roundtables for libraries as they begin to put the Harwood tools into practice in their community.

- Article courtesy of MCLS
Registration Open for 2016 ALSC Virtual Institute

The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), announced that registration for the 2016 ALSC Virtual Institute is now open. The Virtual Institute is one of the only virtual conferences devoted solely to children's librarianship, literature and technology.

This event will take place on September 15-16, 2016. Sessions will be held online. There is no special software needed to attend. Programming that was originally scheduled to be held at the canceled 2016 ALSC National Institute, will now be offered via the Virtual Institute.

ALSC has dedicated itself to finding a great way to deliver the content originally proposed for Charlotte Institute. The Virtual Institute is not only a great opportunity for affordable in-house staff trainings; it's also available without the hassle of additional travel fees.

“This is a new endeavor for us, but we are very excited for it. The 2016 ALSC National Institute Planning Task Force worked hard to put together a fantastic lineup of programs and speakers,” said Emily Nanney, chair of the task force. “We’re now pleased that they will have a venue to present their topics online and to a wider audience.”

Paper registrations must be submitted by August 26, 2016. Online registration will continue up to the day of the event. ALSC members receive a discount. Student and group discounts are also available. For more information and registration details for the 2016 ALSC Virtual Institute, please visit: www.ala.org/alsc/2016-alsc-virtual-institute

ALSC, a division of the American Library Association (ALA), is the world’s largest organization dedicated to the support and enhancement of library service to children. With a network of more than 4,000 children’s and youth librarians, literature experts, publishers and educational faculty, ALSC is committed to creating a better future for children through libraries. To learn more about ALSC, visit ALSC’s website: www.ala.org/alsc.

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Chrisney Branch is a Net-Zero Library

With the opening of the new Chrisney branch of the Lincoln Heritage Public Library, many people are more interested on what exactly net-zero means. The town of Chrisney opened the Nation’s first net-zero library in April 2009. The library utilizes solar energy and geothermal technology that reduces energy costs to zero.

Zero energy buildings can be used separately from the energy grid supply – energy can be harvested on-site. This means that a building can gain its energy from wind or sunlight, operating windows, heat, etc.

The popularity of renewable energy is increasing rapidly. The “go green” era has flourished immensely due to the fact that renewable energy harvesting can help cut greenhouse gas emissions.

“The Chrisney Library is certainly a shining star in southwest Indiana,” Lt. Governor Skillman said. “They are leading the way toward a more energy-efficient Indiana, and the state is happy to be a partner in the project.”

In order to reduce operating expenses, the Chrisney design team decided to work with renewable energy in the form of natural daylight, natural ventilation, passive solar design, active solar hot water, photovoltaic electricity and geothermal heating and cooling. Cooling during the summer can be accomplished with a geothermal heat pump system. During the winter, a thermal slab floor will be heated by sunlight from the active solar hot water system that is backed up by the geothermal heat pump when needed.

For more information about the Chrisney Branch of the Lincoln Heritage Public Library, click here.
Indiana Librarian Awarded the Ezra Jack Keats Grant

Leslie Preddy, school librarian at Perry Meridian Middle School, has been awarded an Ezra Jack Keats grant to fund an inventive program for students. She is one of 64 teachers and librarians across the country, and the only Indiana educator, who received a grant this year.

With her award, Leslie will build on Perry Township’s foundational beliefs in the connection between literacy, families, student engagement, and school success with a project developed to strengthen Perry Meridian Middle School’s commitment to community. Through a series of family workshops held during the 2016-2017 school year, students, along with a significant adult, will connect with local experts, including a local artist, author, public librarian, and independent bookseller to explore the process of publishing in depth. The family workshop series will conclude with each participant completing their own Ezra Jack Keats inspired, professionally-bound book.

For more information about the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation visit their website.

John Helling Named Director of Public Services for Indianapolis Public Library

John Helling has been appointed director of public services by the Indianapolis Public Library Board of Trustees. He previously worked as associate director for Systemwide Services for the Johnson County Library in Kansas. Helling was also a Fulbright Scholar at the Helsinki City Library in Finland. He also served as director of the Bloomfield-Eastern Greene County Public Library. Helling earned his BS in English and his MLS from Indiana University.

IU Southeast Librarian Courtney Block Wins Spot at Prestigious Institute for Research Design in Librarianship

Courtney Block, the instruction, reference and user engagement librarian at Indiana University (IU) Southeast, has won a spot at the 2016 Institute for Research Design in Librarianship (IRDL). Courtney is one of 21 applicants accepted into this year’s institute, which received hundreds of applications.

During the nine-day session, participants will receive expert instruction on research design, as well as small-group and one-on-one assistance in writing and revising their own draft research proposal. Over the coming year, the cohort will continue to develop their own research projects along the guidelines learned at the institute, and share the results with co-investigators.

The IRDL helps academic research librarians overcome the hurdles of performing academic research projects and forms the nucleus of a network of collaborators dedicated to sustained innovation in librarianship.

Courtney’s proposal analyzes the usage and perception of library spaces, with an eye to making them more fluid and receptive to the needs of current and future users. She proposes gathering data via surveys, focus groups and usage metrics to generate an accurate picture of how libraries are actually used, and to identify areas ripe for transformation.

The institute takes place from June 6-16 on the campus of Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif.

Publications & Presentations

New Publication


If you have a recent publication or presentation you would like to share with the ILF membership please send information to Tisa Davis (tdavis@ilfonline.org).
Indiana Libraries Call for Papers

Open call for articles and Special Issue Editors - Consider writing an article for Indiana Libraries. Share your research, thoughts on burgeoning topics, or case study on innovative work at your library. Additionally, if you have a passion for a particular topic and would be interested in fostering the production of an entire issue, consider applying to be a guest editor. Contact Greg Youngen: gregory.youngen@indstate.edu

Article proposals should be submitted through the Indiana Libraries site at: http://journals.iupui.edu/index.php/IndianaLibraries/information/authors. If you have not already registered you will need to do so. Otherwise simply log in and submit. General information about Indiana Libraries and instructions to authors can be found on the Indiana Library Federation (ILF) website at: www.illonline.org Submissions must follow editorial guidelines.

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