It is interesting to note that organizations performing at the highest levels have a formalized strategic plan in place and commit energy and resources to it. A strategic plan serves as a roadmap for success and helps to provide direction and focus for the organization and employees. Usually, a board of directors determines the plan with specific results that are to be achieved and a list of tactics for achieving them. A strategic plan also helps the various units within an organization to align themselves with common goals.

In mid-2013, the ILF board met with Dr. Julie Miller of Butler University to develop a three-year strategic plan. The priorities were communication, technology, advocacy, and strengthening the organization. Here is an update of some of the initiatives. For comments (or more information), please contact Susan Akers, Executive Director, at 317-257-2040 ext. 101 or by e-mail at sakers@ilfonline.org

**Continue to Promote Value of Membership and Strengthen Communication** - The ILF staff worked together to identify ways to better communicate the value of membership yet to not overload members with too much communication. We wanted to gain more member input on sessions and determine what people most value in their membership. Through an online survey and outreach to units, members told us what sessions they’d like to see more of and we have delivered on that through webinars and face-to-face training. Members said they appreciate being part of their professional organization, legislative advocacy and networking. The ILF implemented a mentoring program and that has been successful, thanks to the management division officers and Megan Zanto, ILF membership services coordinator.

The board agreed that we needed to further engage ILF divisions. Susan Akers worked with officers to set goals, build relationships and encourage more member involvement. Five divisions committed to setting goals for the upcoming year and re-energizing the divisions. We also wished to recognize personal members’ longevity and milestones regularly. The ILF honors member longevity during an annual awards dinner and will continue to seek ways to recognize the support and efforts of long-term members.

**Using Technology** - It’s extremely favorable to engage more members in meetings, workshops, conferences, and networking opportunities using technology. The ILF director wrote an LSTA grant for videoconferencing equipment which, ideally, would be installed in June 2015 (results are forthcoming). With the relatively new database system, members can join and renew online, pay for events, print receipts, review transaction history, order store items and more. They can upload tutorials and webinars which focus on professional growth (e.g., creating a portfolio, public speaking, career center information, updating and/or publishing one’s résumé, etc.) Publications coordinator Tisa Davis is investigating more uses of this powerful membership system. This past September, she introduced “Member-posted articles, tutorials and resources.” She began a group page for the legislative committee and a Facebook page targeted toward discussion of topics for annual conference. The system offers members a forum to post news regarding their divisions. For more information on using ILF groups, blogs, or forums, contact Tisa at tDavis@ilfonline.org.

**Reviewing and enhancing the Federation structure** - Marcia Au and Kelly Ehinger developed a recommendation to merge the trustee and institutional membership types and to have one dues structure. This was implemented in 2015, and even lowered the dues for many libraries. We now have 168 libraries as members. As to finances, the ILF director and accountant are working with the budget committee to define spending plans for investments and initiatives that will support the ILF mission.

**Advocacy** - ILF President Beverly Gard has written articles in “Focus,” and provided a session at District 8 Conference. She worked on important issues with the legislative committee and our advocates during a challenging time this past General Assembly and provided an interesting handout to ALA midwinter attendees at the chapter session. Susan Akers wrote a viewpoint on the value of librarians which was published in 45-50 newspapers throughout the state during National Library Week. Susan also worked with Evan Davis, past chair of the intellectual freedom committee, on an article about net neutrality for “Focus.” The ILF is funding the four delegates to travel to the National Library Legislative Day in Washington D.C. in May.

We’ll continue to work on the strategic plan throughout 2016. We are committed to striving for excellence in supporting the mission of the ILF which centers around providing professional development for our members and advocacy efforts.
President’s Column

May is here, and for libraries across the state, that means summer reading is fast approaching. Literacy programs are our chance to keep children reading through the summer months to avoid loss of reading skills. However, it is also an opportunity to remind adults that, not only are they modeling behavior when they pick up a book, reading is enjoyable.

For libraries participating in the national Collaborative Summer Reading Program, 2015 is the summer of superheroes. Yet the most compelling aspect is community heroes, local heroes, people who embody the very definition – striving to make other peoples’ lives better.

The Hancock County Public Library will start this year’s summer reading with a World Record attempt. They are looking for 1,000-plus volunteers to set a new Guinness World Records® title for “Most People Balancing Books on Their Heads at the Same Time.”

The concept is simple. Can more than a thousand people assemble at the start of summer to balance a book on their heads and walk 5 ½ yards? The hope is more complex. Can enough enthusiasm be generated to draw a thousand people out onto the local football field to put books on their brain? The goal is not only to set a World Record, but to gather donated books to put them in the hands of children who need them.

Enthusiasm comes from believing in the importance of the task. In our libraries, parents are encouraged, strongly urged even, to participate in story time activities at the library. Why? While children will model the librarian, parents are the rock stars in a child’s life. If a parent will sing, dance, or move their fingers to “The Itsy Bitsy Spider,” children will mimic and develop early literacy skills.

If we believe that literacy is essential and the volunteerism strengthens our community, then prove it. This is the summer for all of us to be superheroes or, more importantly, community heroes.

Sincerely,

Beverly Gard, 2015 ILF President

2015 Collaborative Summer Reading Program

Librarians across Indiana are gearing up for the 2015 Collaborative Summer Reading Program (http://www.cslpreads.org/). Is your library planning something different? Do you have a special SRP party or festival planned? What are some of the great activities you have planned throughout the summer? ILF wants to know! Send your stories to Tisa Davis at tDavis@ilfonline.org.

For more great ideas, the Indiana State Library has many programs centered around this year’s “Every Hero has a Story” theme. For more information contact Angela Dubinger at adubinger@library.in.gov.
District 1 Conference
May 12, 2015
Blue Chip Casino
777 Blue Chip Dr, Michigan City, IN 46360
(219) 879-7711

Featuring Keynote Speaker:
Keith Michael Fiels

Registration Rates:
Member - $75, Non-member - $113

To register or for more information, go to:
https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/?page=district1conference

Online registration closes on May 5.

District 4 Conference
May 15, 2015
Carmel Clay Public Library
55 4th Ave SE, Carmel, IN 46032
(317) 814-3900

Featuring Keynote Speakers:
Lori Borgman & Dick Wolfsie

Registration Rates:
Member - $45, Non-member - $65

To register or for more information go to:
https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/?page=district4conference

Online registration closes on May 8.

National Library Legislative Day May 4-5 in Washington, D.C.

The ILF will sponsor four delegates* to attend National Library Legislative Day May 4-5 in Washington D.C. Now in its 41st year, National Library Legislative Day focuses on the most pressing library issues, including: funding the Library Services and Technology Act; supporting free public access to federally-funded scholarly journal articles; and continued funding federal funding for school library materials. The ALA Washington Office will host a special training session on the afternoon of Sunday, May 3, for first-timers. Participants will receive training and in-depth issue briefings to prepare them for meetings with their Members of Congress. Advocates who cannot travel to Washington for National Library Legislative Day can still make a difference and speak up for libraries through ALA’s Virtual Library Legislative Day on May 5, 2015. To participate in Virtual Library Legislative Day, register now for American Library Association policy action alerts at: http://www.ala.org/offices/ola

*An article in June “Focus” will follow.

Vote to Transfer Endowment Fund Assets

On March 25, the Board of the ILF Endowment Fund voted to transfer the assets of the 501-c-3 to the Indiana Library Federation. You, as an ILF member, will need to cast an e-vote on this activity. Your vote is important so please respond to the ballot which will go out in mid-May. Matthew Carr, a partner at Krieg DeVault, is working with the Endowment Board to guide them on the proper procedures and required documents. As you may know, these monies were raised from funneling $2 of each member’s dues with the intent of spending the monies on special needs or activities that support the ILF mission. After the transfer, the ILF will continue to direct the monies in that fashion.

Student Memberships: ILF and ALA Joint Memberships

The ILF recently agreed with the ALA to engage in a joint membership price for students ($38). The goal is to build the chapter (ILF) and ALA via a student pipeline and as an investment in the future. There are 30 states participating and all have extended their participation well beyond initial two-year commitment. Students wishing to join must register through ALA at: http://www.ala.org/groups/joint-membership-program. The ALA will follow up with ILF and our membership coordinator will connect with the students.
Eight Libraries across Michigan and Indiana to Embark on a Journey of Collaboration

The Midwest Collaborative for Library Services (MCLS) is pleased to announce “Library Match,” a new project designed to facilitate communication among our members. During the six-month pilot phase, which has been generously underwritten by The H.W. Wilson Foundation, Library Match will pair four public libraries in Indiana with four Michigan public libraries. The peers are of similar size and serve comparable communities. The project’s goal is to provide opportunities for library staff to develop relationships with librarians in the other state. They will mentor one another, expand professional connections, share staff training opportunities and expertise, conduct co-marketing activities and develop collaborative public programs. The participating libraries will be provided with the video-conferencing equipment needed to connect, communicate and collaborate with their peer library. They will be trained on the use of the equipment, required to conduct a minimum of three specific activities together, and encouraged to do more.

“Our 2014 community conversations revealed that librarians throughout Indiana and Michigan are eager to share their expertise with other librarians,” Randy Dykhuis, MCLS Executive Director commented. “This program gives them that opportunity, with the additional benefit of interacting with librarians in another state. By expanding the geographic scope of their conversations, we expect librarians in both states will learn new ways to serve their patrons.”

The Library Match "teams" are:

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MCLS will report on the activities undertaken by the Library Match participants throughout the life of the project. MCLS, a nonprofit membership organization, works with its members and other organizations to further the reach and impact of libraries of all sizes and types. For more information, please visit www.mcls.org.

New Membership Benefit

COS-Xerox (COS) is a locally based Technology and Solutions Consulting Firm specializing in document management, workflow processes, facilities management as well as managed print services. Headquartered in Indianapolis, COS is the premier Technology Partner in the South and Midwest with additional locations in Louisville, Bowling Green, Lexington, Ft. Wayne and Nashville. They also service national accounts in conjunction with parent company Global Imaging Systems.

A wholly owned subsidiary of Xerox Corporation, COX retains complete local autonomy for all business decisions, allowing your personal Solutions Consultant to harness the power of Xerox, while still offering the personal attention your business deserves. Work with a dedicated, locally based, team of experts and clearly understand how your technological environment can empower your organization while optimizing efficiency and cutting cost.

The COS/Xerox company near the ILF office park has proven to be a fair and responsive vendor to the ILF. After discussing the possibility of a partnership for our library members with Jake Collins at COS, he has agreed to provide leased copiers to library members for a reduced rate. If you are in the middle or near the end of your current lease of your copier and wish to explore money-savings options, please contact Jake at 317.554.8047 | Cell: 765.720.0714 | e-mail: jcollins@cos-xerox.com

Contributor to the ILF Scholarship Program
Refresh / Update / Reduce Costs with COS-Xerox
ILF Scholarship Applications Due June 30 to the ILF Office

Don’t forget, scholarship applications are due to the ILF office by June 30. For all except the LTA associate degree candidates*, three letters of recommendation are required. The letters for those working toward master’s degrees should have at least one recommendation from a librarian. All letters of recommendation should be of a professional nature. References from current or previous employers, library trustees or directors, current or previous teachers or professors, or others who can comment on one or more of the following: a) your potential in the library profession; b) your employment performance; c) your participation in volunteer and community activities; d) your academic performance. *Two letters are required for the LTA application.

The Sue Marsh Weller Fund provides funding for those working toward a master’s degree and planning to work with children or youth. Assistance is typically in the $1,000 range.

The William Gresh Memorial Fund provides funding for a master’s degree candidate. The Esther Schlundt Memorial Scholarship Fund provides funding for two types of scholarships: Those seeking an MLS degree and those seeking a Library Technical Assistant Associate Degree. The Schlundt Fund provides funding for:

1) an applicant entering or currently enrolled in an ALA-accredited graduate degree program in library and information science (award of up to approximately $1,000).

2) an applicant with at least 30 of the required 60 credits for the Library Technical Assistant Associate Degree (up to $750).

For master’s degree candidates applying for scholarships, please send the two-page application form from the ILF website, along with a) a transcript or copy of official grade report for any library science courses already completed; b) transcripts of all undergraduate education; c) transcripts from other graduate work may be included, but are not required. Also send three letters of recommendation as described above.

LTA applications require (a) a transcript or copy of official grade report representing completion of 30 of the required 60 credits, including at least three library courses; (b) two letters of recommendation of a professional nature, such as from a current or past employer, library trustees, current or previous teachers or professors, or others who comment on your potential are acceptable. The letters should comment on one or more of the following: a) your potential in the library profession; b) your employment performance; c) your participation in volunteer and community activities; d) your academic performance. The ILF Library Technical Assistant Scholarship Program is for students who:

- are enrolled at Ivy Tech as LTA majors or at an accredited college or university in Indiana working on an associate’s degree;
- are in their second or later semester of course work;
- have a C or better GPA at the end of their second or most recent semester;
- who are not already receiving financial substantial aid, parental support or library funding for educational needs.

For all ILF scholarship information and applications, go to: http://www.ilfonline.org/?page=scholarships. Questions? E-mail askus@ilfonline.org.

What ILF Means to Me

By Kathy Burton

Belonging to ILF means that I am part of an exciting network of people who love their libraries as much as I do. It means keeping abreast of legislative issues and understanding the important role libraries play in state funding and matters of free speech. In this era of the Internet, it’s more vital than ever that we advocate for net neutrality and Intellectual Freedom. As an Information Specialist in a Public Library, I enjoy sharing ideas with others and learning what works for them. I'm grateful for the opportunities ILF offers.

What does ILF mean to you? Let us know at askus@ilfonline.org.
April District Conference Wrap-Ups

Four district conferences were held around the state during the month of April. We are indebted to the outstanding volunteers and conference committees who made these events such a success.

The District 8 Conference was held at the Morrison Reeves Library in Richmond on April 7. The 86 attendees enjoyed presentations by keynote speakers Mike Mullin and Barbara Olenyik Marrow, as well as breakout sessions covering topics such as circulating toy collections, Makerspace, religion in libraries, community engagement, adult programming, and many more.

District 6 Conference on April 10 was held at the Bartholomew County Public Library in Columbus. Black Belt Librarian, Warren Graham spoke to the 145 attendees concerning safety in the library. Other sessions included a book repair workshop, Wordwise classification system, literature for children, creating stop animation from your phone or tablet, and more!

There were 83 in attendance at the District 2 Conference, held on April 17 at the Williamsport-Washington Township Public Library. This year’s conference centered around partnerships. Keynote Patrick Sweeney spoke on the importance of partnering with community services and local organizations. ALL-IN, a digital competition designed by Indiana Humanities that challenges Hoosiers to think, read, talk and do was on hand to discuss how libraries can use ALL-IN as part of their programming. And, partnerships with scientists, community agencies, and community theatres were explored!

The 114 District 3 Conference attendees enjoyed a lively presentation by keynote speaker Kelly Krieg-Sigman at the beautiful Kendallville Public Library on April 23. Ms. Krieg-Sigman spoke on customer service in the library and its role in the future. Attendees also enjoyed many exciting sessions on topics such as, junior volunteer assistance, employee motivation, digital tech libraries, Robotics and STEM for teens, community engagement, and so much more!

Thank you to Jennie Lahmann, Jessica Brooks, Diane Bever, Shannon Borneman, and Susan Akers for all the wonderful district conference pictures.
6 Best Practices for Posting Event Photos

By Rachael Vail-Steele, SpinWeb

After having a special event, it’s recommended to post photos on social media and recap the event on your website with an events page, press release, or blog post. Here are some best practices for sharing your event photos:

1. **Do not upload full high resolution images directly from your camera.** -- Take a few minutes to resize or optimize images for the web. There are a few ways to compress your photos and size them for perfect online viewing.
   - Use Photoshop’s “Save for Web” mode.
   - Open the image in Preview or your operating system’s image viewer and change the image size. If the original photo is really large, change the image size to 600 to 800 pixels wide (constraining the aspect ratio so it doesn’t get skewed).

2. **Make sure the photo’s thumbnail is scaled down.** -- The larger version of the image can be a bit higher resolution, but the thumbnail should be much smaller, like 100 pixels wide. The larger version of the image can be a bit higher resolution, but the thumbnail should be much smaller, like 100 pixels wide.

3. **Use your Facebook Page for albums.** -- Post the best photos on your website, on an event page or blog post. Then, create a full photo album of the event on your company’s Facebook page. In the event summary on your website, post a link to the photo album on your company’s Facebook page. Say something like, “Checkout the full album on our Facebook page.” It will be easier for event participants and your audience to share the individual photos.

4. **Post an image collage of the best photos on your website.** -- Show off the best photos in a different way. Canva is great tool to easily build a collage. Also, apps on your phone like PicFrame and PicCollage will do the trick.

5. **Don’t post every single photo.** -- No one wants to click through 10 images of basically the same thing, so take a moment to curate the album and eliminate duplicate, blurry or unnecessary images. It’s okay to hold back a few favorites to use elsewhere, like your Instagram account or in an email.

6. **Live Tweet the photos on social media as they happen.** -- This is also perfect for sharing award ceremony photos or making a big announcement during an event.

In conclusion, posting event photos on your website and social media networks is a great way to show how your library celebrates, networks, interacts with its industry, and helps the community.

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**Driver’s Ed Program for your Community**

Help your patrons prepare for their DMV permit exams. Driving-Tests.org is a free program (for both the library and the patrons) that helps them prepare online for the theory part of their permit test at the DMV. There is no registration, no personal information is collected and there are no display ads. Driving-Tests.org will take care of the setup, design, development and maintenance of your driver’s education program. The program website will be hosted on a driving-tests.org subdomain (xyz.driving-tests.org), but will have your organization’s logo and a ‘In Partnership’ with (your organization)’s title on every page.

Every driver education program will contain state-specific information including: - 10 car practice tests - six motorcycle practice tests - three CDL (Commercial Driver’s License) practice tests - three online driver’s manuals (car, motorcycle, CDL) and a FAQ section with detailed answers to 100+ DMV-related questions. Sign up at: [http://driving-tests.org/library/](http://driving-tests.org/library/).
The Young Hoosier Book Award Program

The Young Hoosier Book Award program has now been in existence for 40 years! AIME (Association for Indiana Media Educators) began the program in 1974. The organization for Hoosier library media specialists underwent a name change in 2010, becoming AISLE (Association of Indiana School Library Educators), and continued the YHBA tradition. The very first Young Hoosier Book Award winner, chosen in 1975, was E. B. White’s *Trumpet of the Swan*. In 2014, the three award winners were: Picture Book – *Cat Secrets* by Jef Czekaj, Intermediate – *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier, and Middle Grade – *Michael Vey: the Prisoner of Cell 25* by Richard Paul Evans.

Each year many library professionals from around the state serve on the YHBA sub-committees. The picture book committee, chaired by Debbie Acord, is charged with choosing 20 outstanding nominees for students in grades kindergarten through three. The intermediate committee, chaired by Matt White, selects 20 books to be considered for the list of selections for grades 4 through 6. The middle grade committee chooses 20 nominees for students in grades 6 through 8, and is chaired this year by Cindy Newton.

These committee members spend many hours reading nominated books and completing evaluation forms for each of them. The intermediate and middle grade committee members also write Battle of the Books’ questions for nominated titles. These individuals are an amazing group of people who strive to further the purpose of YHBA, which is, “to stimulate recreational reading among elementary and middle school/junior high school children and to encourage cooperation between administrators, school media specialists, teachers, public libraries, and the community in providing reading experiences for Indiana school children.”

Anyone may nominate a title to be considered for the Young Hoosier Book Award. Please visit: [https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/?YHBAnominate](https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/?YHBAnominate) to read the guidelines for book consideration. The committees adhere to these guidelines implicitly, and books that are nominated, but do not meet these guidelines are automatically removed from consideration. Currently nominations are closed because we received such an overwhelming number of nominations for the 2016-17 school year. A posting to the AISLE listserv will be made when nominations are again open; at that time YHBA will be accepting nominations for the 2017-18 school year.

The YHBA program for 2014-15 will soon be complete. Students from throughout our state have voted for their favorite in each of the three grade-level areas. Voting ended on May 1st, and the winners for this year will be announced near the middle of the month.

There are several ways that you can show your support of YHBA. First, of course, is to use the nominated books in programs at your schools and libraries. Another way that you can show your support is to attend the YHBA banquet, held each year at the Indiana Library Federation conference, to hear and meet some of the award winning authors. To support YHBA financially, consider the purchase of some of our promotional items. To see what items are currently available, visit the Indiana Library Federation’s online store at: [https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/store/ListProducts.aspx?catid=276844](https://ilfonline.site-ym.com/store/ListProducts.aspx?catid=276844). We appreciate your support of YHBA through the purchase of available items.

**Spotlight on a Board Member**

*Amber Arnold* has been a Reference/Instruction Librarian at Indiana Institute of Technology in Fort Wayne since November of 2014. She has wanted to be a librarian since reading *Matilda* by Roald Dahl when she was eight years old. Amber received her BA and MA in Communication from IPFW and her MLS from IUPUI. Amber enjoys jogging, playing guitar, and playing with her dog, Stevie Nicks, and kitten, Truman Capote.
PCI/ILF May 2015 Webinars

To register for an upcoming webinar or for more information, please go to: pciwebinars.com.

For May, the line-up of webinars is below (1 LEU credit each). Members who wish to receive the reduced rate are encouraged to e-mail askus@ilfonline.org for the promotional code and to follow up at that same e-mail to obtain their LEU certificate. All live and archived webinars will be $39 for ILF members. Libraries who are ILF public library members, will pay just $99. Click on the links below for more information and to register. All webinars are EST.

- **Hackathons: An Innovative Approach to Digital Instruction**
  Tuesday, May 5 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- **More Than Crafts: Implementing Learning Activities and Experiences in Your Story Times**
  Tuesday, May 5 from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

- **Literacy Doodads – Not Just Letter Magnets on the Fridge Any More!**
  Thursday, May 7, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

- **Social Media for Your Library: Where to Spend TIME & EFFORT in Building a Social Community**
  Tuesday, May 12 from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

- **Digital Literacy for Everyone**
  Thursday, May 14, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

- **Mindful Leadership: How Mindfulness Can Make You a Better Manager**
  Tuesday, May 19, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

- **Replacing Your Backlist: From New Cover Art to Media Tie-In’s**
  Thursday, May 21 from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

  **The 20 Second Talk**
  Tuesday, May 26 from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

- **Geek Out @ Your Library**
  Thursday, May 28, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

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### 2014 Public Library Statistics

- 57% - Percentage of Hoosiers that are library cardholders.
- 35,531,584 - Library visits
- 77,179,390 – Items circulated by Indiana public libraries.
- 91% - Increase in e-Book holdings in 2014. eBook usage also increased by 35%, with e-Books now comprising 14% of all circulations.
- 17% - Increase in Private and Public Foundation grants received.
- 26 – Number of bookmobiles remaining statewide
- $14.52 - $20.98 – Average hourly salary range for a general reference or adult librarian.
- 1,434 - The number of librarians employed in Indiana public libraries (40 hour FTE, includes ALA MLS and other).

*Courtesy of the Indiana State Library 2014 Annual Report*
News, Updates, and Announcements

ILF Says Good-bye to Conference Manager Shannon Borneman
Conference manager Shannon Borneman is leaving ILF on May 1 to take a position at Purdue University. Shannon’s attention to detail, service, can-do attitude and excellent negotiating skills helped the ILF to succeed in many areas. She will be missed by volunteers, staff and board; we all wish her well in her new endeavors!

Bartholomew County Public Library Says Goodbye to Long-time Director
The Bartholomew County Public Library (BCPL) will bid farewell to its director, Beth Booth Poor on May 31. Poor, a native of Chicago Heights, Ill., began working at the library in 1973 after serving as librarian for Southwest Allen County Schools in northeast Indiana. Her first role at the local library was coordinating extension services, which included the Bookmobile and the Hope Branch Library.

Jason Hatton will begin his role as BCPL director on June 1. Jason is currently the assistant director at BCPL where he has been employed since June 2006. Previously, he was the head of circulation at the LaPorte County Public Library

Library Community Mourns Passing of Geneva Librarian
We were recently informed of the passing Rose Bryan. Rose worked in libraries since 1972, first as a library aide at the South Adams Schools and then as Geneva Librarian since 1994. Rose was known by many through her commitment to and work within SAMS, ILF, and on statewide committees. She worked tirelessly in Geneva and the library world improving lives and positively impacting her own community and the larger library community. She had been involved with Geneva Proud, the Geneva Chamber, Indiana Library Federation, Adams County Literacy Council, Adams County Genealogical Society, and many other organizations over the years.

Preferred memorials are to the Adams County Community Foundation APLS Geneva Book Fund, 102 N 2nd Street, Decatur, Ind. 46733. www.adamscountyfoundation.org

Dean Mullins Accepts National Collegiate Honor
Dean of Libraries at Purdue University, James L. Mullins, accepted the 2015 Association of College and Research Libraries Excellence in University Libraries Award on April 23. The award is the top honor a research university library system can receive. In addition to a plaque, the Purdue Libraries received a gift of $3,000 donated by the YBP Book Services Co.

Publications & Presentations


If you have a recent publication or presentation you would like to share with the ILF membership please send information to Diane J. Bever, editor of Focus on Indiana Libraries, dbever@iuk.edu.
Indiana Libraries, the open access professional journal published by the Indiana Library Federation, is available at:

http://www.indianalibrariesjournal.org/

Next Issue:
Spring 2015 - Marketing and Branding in the Library

Ivy Tech Community College
Library Technical Assistant Program
Your source for LEUs & Library Science Education

Offering courses towards two certification programs, Indiana State Library certification for public library professionals, levels 4-6 (courses with single asterisk), and ALA-APA Library Support Staff Certification (LSSC), and an LTA Associate of Science degree.

Fall Course Offerings
LIBR 101: Intro to Libraries & Library Services
LIBR 103: Intro to Library Access Services
LIBR 104: Intro to Library Technical Services
LIBR 105: Library Technology
LIBR 200: Intro to Reference Sources & Services*
LIBR 201: Cataloging & Classification*
LIBR 202: Electronic Resources & Online Searching
LIBR 203: Library Services for Children*
LIBR 207: Supervision & Management in Public Libraries*
LIBR 208: Development & Management of Library Collections*

Spring Course Offerings
LIBR 101: Intro to Libraries & Library Services
LIBR 103: Intro to Library Access Services
LIBR 104: Intro to Library Technical Services
LIBR 105: Library Technology
LIBR 200: Intro to Reference Sources & Services*
LIBR 201: Cataloging & Classification*
LIBR 202: Electronic Resources & Online Searching
LIBR 203: Library Services for Children*
LIBR 207: Supervision & Management in Public Libraries*
LIBR 208: Selection of Materials & Coll’n Development in Public Libraries*

Summer Course Offerings
LIBR 101: Intro to Libraries & Library Services
LIBR 103: Intro to Library Access Services

Want to transfer and earn a bachelor’s degree? Ivy Tech’s LTA degree transfers to the bachelor program in General Studies at IUPUI and other colleges. Whether your goal is to earn LEUs, acquire a new skill or to earn an associate degree, Ivy Tech Community College is here to help you. Get started today at ivytech.edu/librarytechnicalassistant or by e-mail at smannan@ivytech.edu.
## May 2015

1. District 5/7 Conference, New Harmony Inn and Conference Center, New Harmony
2. Articles due for June issue of *Focus*.
5. Legislative Mtg., 2 p.m., IPL Services Center, Indianapolis
8. D2D-VI, Indianapolis-Marion Co. Public Library, Indianapolis
12. District 1 Conference, Blue Chip Casino, Michigan City
15. District 4 Conference, Carmel-Clay Public Library, Carmel
27. IPLA Mtg., 1 p.m.

## June 2015

2. Articles due for July issue of *Focus*.
9. ILF Board Mtg., 12:30 p.m.
25-30. ALA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA
30. ILF Scholarship applications due

## July 2015

2. Articles due for August issue of *Focus*.
7. Legislative Mtg., 10:30 a.m., ILF Office Complex, Indianapolis
22. IPLA Mtg., and IPLA Conference, Jackson Co. Public Library

## August 2015

2. Articles due for September issue of *Focus*.
4. Legislative Mtg., 10:30 a.m., ILF Office Complex, Indianapolis
11. ILF Board Mtg., 12:30 p.m.
23-24. CYPD Conference, Marriott East, Indianapolis

## September 2015

2. Articles due for October issue of *Focus*.
8. Legislative Mtg., 10:30 a.m., ILF Office Complex, Indianapolis
23. IPLA Mtg., 1 p.m.
17-18. SAMS Conference, location TBD

## October 2015

2. Articles due for Nov/Dec issue of *Focus*.
6. Legislative Mtg., 10:30 a.m., ILF Office Complex, Indianapolis
13. ILF Board Mtg., 12:30 p.m.