

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, October 31, 2016

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Announcements/News

- [Phil Willke Promoted to Librarian in Research & Catalog Services](#)
- [Application to become a DPLA \(Digital Public Library of America\) Service Hub in Ohio Approved](#)
- [October 2016 Proclaimed Information Literacy Month](#)
- [Amber Shedd Joins State Library Staff](#)
- [State Library of Ohio receives a \\$25,000 Sparks! Ignition Grant for Libraries from IMLS](#)

Conferences & Professional Development

- Marsha McDevitt-Stredney and Ann Watson attended the pre-conference and full [Internet Librarian 2016 Conference](#) in Monterey, CA held October 16 – 19.
- Marsha presented Signage in the Stacks: Wayfinding by Design project at the [ALAO 2016 Conference Posters Session](#).



Digital Public Library of America (DPLA)

- The DPLA Service Hub application was approved on October 4. DPLA staff estimates that it will take approximately nine months between acceptance of the application and having Ohio content loaded into DPLA. Next steps include: the selection of two representatives from each community type (public libraries, academic libraries, historical organizations) to serve on the Advisory Council; development of charges for the three working groups (Technology, Metadata, and Advocacy) and calls for membership on these committees; and the hiring of three staff positions at the State Library to manage and implement the DPLA service hub.

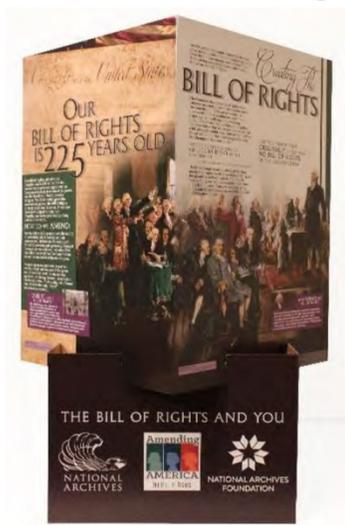
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- Library staff is encouraged to explore the riches of DPLA at <https://dp.la>.
- More information on the project can be found at <http://dplaohio.org>. Questions should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Displays and Exhibits

- Plans are underway for the State Library of Ohio's Bicentennial displays. The exhibits include an online exhibit independent of the State Library's website and physical exhibits at two locations (State Library of Ohio and Ohio Statehouse) during the year.
- The Bicentennial Exhibit committee met on October 12th to review topics, selection of exhibit items, timeline, research to date, and marketing plan for the exhibit at the State Library.
- Marsha McDevitt-Stredney is developing plans for a collaboration to host an Ohio School for the Blind student art show at the State Library. She ordered a 6-panel system for displaying works of art for student show.
- Marsha registered the State Library for the National Archives' pop-up exhibit commemorating the 225th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. The display will be shipped to the library in December and on display between December 15, 2016 and February 28, 2017. The exhibit will be supplemented with items from the State Library's collections.
- Marsha distributed information about the National Archives' pop-up exhibit to the Ohio library community.



The Bill of Rights and You

Spotlighting one of the most remarkable periods in American history, the pop-up exhibit contains simple messages conveying the importance of the Bill of Rights, its history and implementation, and its impact today.



List of New Acquisitions

- The list of new titles in the State Library Circulating Book Collection for October is available on our website at: <https://library.ohio.gov/collections/new-books/>

LSTA

- The LSTA Open Grant program is currently open. The RFP and information on the Open Grant program can be found at: <https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/lsta-grants/#AvailableGrants>. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis.
- Open grants were recently awarded to McKinley Memorial Library and St. Paris Public Library.
- The LSTA competitive grant program closed September 1. Thirteen applications were received and are currently being reviewed. Recommended applications will be taken to the December State Library Board meeting for funding approval and approved projects will begin January 1, 2017.

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- Every five years, the State Library is required by IMLS to conduct an independent evaluation of the current LSTA Five-Year Plan. The State Library has selected The Bishoff Group to conduct Ohio's evaluation. The process will include a survey and focus groups. The survey was released, via a variety of listservs, to the Ohio library community in early October. Five focus groups have been scheduled for the week of October 31. Questions on the LSTA evaluation should be addressed to either Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov or Cindy Boyden, cboyden@library.ohio.gov.
- Questions on the LSTA program should be addressed to Cindy Boyden, cboyden@library.ohio.gov

Outreach and Promotion at Library Conferences

- The State Library was a bronze level sponsor with a table at the [2016 Ohio Educational Library Media Association \(OELMA\) 40th Anniversary Conference](#). The event took place at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris in Columbus, October 13 -14, 2016. Two hundred and sixty school library professionals and thirty vendors attended the conference. The State Library's display was situated near the entrance to all conference activities and to the registration desk, which resulted in consistent traffic even during educational sessions. All conference attendees saw the State Library's display, and approximately half stopped to ask questions, visit with library representatives Marsha McDevitt-Stredney and Janet Ingraham Dwyer, and pick up information about ILEAD USA Ohio, Choose to Read Ohio, Ohio LSTA grants, and other State Library programs and services.



OELMA Table



Choose to Read Ohio Display

- The State Library was a silver level sponsor with a table at the [Academic Library Association of Ohio \(ALAO\) 2016 Annual Conference](#). The event took place at the Holiday Inn Roberts Centre in Wilmington. The full day conference was on October 27. There were two exclusive vendor times and at least half of the estimated 260 attendees visited the table to ask questions, learn about programs and services such as Government Documents and Information, ILEAD USA Ohio and Ohio LSTA Grants. Marsha McDevitt-Stredney and Government Information Library Consultant Kirstin Krumsee represented the State Library.

Personnel

- Phil Willke has been promoted to Librarian 2 in our Research & Catalog Services Department. Phil will provide reference and research services to state employees and Ohio residents. He will also work as part of the State Library team that ensures access to useful electronic and print resources. Phil has been a Library Assistant in Circulation & Special Services, assisting in providing resources to state employees and Ohio residents since April 2016.
- Mandy Knapp, Library Consultant, has accepted a position at OPLIN as the Digital Services Manager. Her last day at the State Library is November 22

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Signage

- Marsha McDevitt-Stredney designed new signage to guide visitors to overflow parking. Placement, purchase, and installation is planned by the end of the calendar year.

Take 5

- Hold the date! The next Take 5 event for teen and youth services specialists will take place in Dayton on Friday, May 5, 2017, with optional activities on Thursday, May 4. Details will be announced on various Ohio library listservs in coming months. Registration will open in February 2017. You may also e-mail Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov for updates about Take 5, watch the [Take 5 web page](#), or like the [Take 5 Facebook page](#). Take 5 is an annual event and an ongoing dialogue on new ideas and creative approaches for people who work with teens and youth in libraries, museums, arts organizations, and other learning environments. The event takes place at a different Ohio location each spring.