

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, March 31, 2015
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library.ohio.gov/state-librarians-reports

Guiding Ohio Online

- Application forms to place AmeriCorps members in public libraries were due at the State Library March 31. Selected libraries will be notified in late April/early May 2015.
- Guiding Ohio Online engages AmeriCorps members to perform training sessions, hands-on help, and other services to fulfill the vision of every Ohioan being able to fully participate in e-government, search for jobs online, understand the risks and benefits to internet finance, connect with family online, and protect personal information in the digital age. Guiding Ohio Online targets populations in rural Ohio, resulting in enhanced digital skills.
- Questions should be addressed to Mandy Knapp, aknapp@library.ohio.gov.

ILEAD USA

- ILEAD USA is an immersive continuing education program that develops library leaders through projects based on community needs using technology. The State Library is a partner in a Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grant awarded to the State Library of Illinois by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).
- The first in-person convening of ILEAD USA took place at Mohican State Park, March 24-26, 2015. The following State Library staff participated in the event: Beverly Cain, Missy Lodge, Matthew Dyer, Evan Struble, and Mandy Knapp. Additionally, Shannon Kupfer is a member of the "Preserve Digital Ohio" team and Cindy Boyden is a member of the "Librarians for Equal Opportunity Marketing" team. The next in-person will take place in June 2015.
- More information on the ILEAD USA program, the teams, and participants can be found at <http://library.ohio.gov/Marketing/PR#ILEAD>
- Questions on ILEAD USA should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

List of New Acquisitions

- New titles can be found at <http://library.ohio.gov/marketing/Residents/RecentAdditionstoCollection/BooksMar2015>.

LSTA

- The State Library encourages libraries to apply for an open grant. This program provides small awards, up to \$4,999 in federal funds, allowing libraries to address a specific customer need or to develop an innovative service. There is no deadline for submitting an application. Applications will be reviewed and funded as they are received. The State Library has allocated \$150,000 in CY 2015 for this program. Complete details on the open grant program can be found at <http://library.ohio.gov/open-grants>.
- The State Library Board recently appointed several individuals to the LSTA Advisory Council. Douglas Anderson (Marietta College Library), Meg Delaney (Toledo-Lucas County Public Library), Ryan McDonnell (Grandview Heights Public Library), Anastasia Diamond-Ortiz (Cleveland Public Library), Jennifer Flaherty (Beachwood High School), Terry Reese (The Ohio State University Libraries), Susan Paul (Lorain County Community College Library), Kate Porter (Upper Arlington Public Library), Scott Seaman (Ohio University Libraries), Nick Tepe (Chillicothe and Ross County Public Library), and Sarah Thornberry (Springboro Jr. High School). The LSTA Advisory Council is scheduled to meet April 29, 2015.
- Questions on the LSTA program should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

The vision of the State Library of Ohio is a Smarter Ohio where every Ohioan can access the necessary resources to be engaged citizens, excel at their jobs, participate in the workforce, and pursue their passions and interests.

Summer Reading Program

- The 2015 incentive certificate for 50% off camping at Ohio State Parks is now available. ODNR has made several changes to this incentive, based on librarian feedback. New this year: certificate holders MAY RESERVE their campsites. Also, the certificate is now good 7 days a week, with a reduced discount on weekends. Campers may use the coupon for up to 14 consecutive days. Holiday weekends are excluded. This certificate may be used as an incentive in any public library's summer reading program. For a master copy of the certificate, email Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.
- The 2015 Ohio State Fair incentive coupon is now available. This coupon is good for \$4 off admission to the Ohio State Fair for summer readers ages 5-14, and can be used as an incentive in any public library's summer reading program. For a master copy of this incentive, email Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.
- The Ohio Renaissance Festival offers a ½ off admission coupon as an incentive for SRP participants of any age (including adults). Libraries must order the coupon and the deadline is April 15, 2015. For more information and a copy of the order form, email Janet.
- Questions on Summer Reading should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Take 5

- Registration is open for "**Take 5: Take Four – Make It Happen!**" in Cincinnati on Friday, April 24, 2015. Registration is only \$20. This includes a World Café conversation experience, speaker presentations, lunch, and a tour of the UnMuseum at the Contemporary Arts Center. Speakers include Chris Lottman, a University of Cincinnati professor in the School of Social Work; Michelle Shinew, a co-founder of Friends of Sawmill Wetlands in Dublin, Ohio; and Tom Kent, Executive Director of Elementz Hip Hop Youth Arts Center. Register on the SWON Libraries website at http://swonlibraries.org/events/event_details.asp?id=515065. 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. Check out the Take 5 web page and follow the Take 5 Facebook page.

Staff

- Katy Klettlinger, Library Development Consultant, presented two sessions at the OLC Northeast Chapter Conference: "Creating Teen Spaces on a Limited Budget? It's Possible!" and "Local History Collections: How to Promote an Underutilized Resource to Benefit Your Library."
- Kirstin Krumsee, Government Information Consultant, presented a session entitled, "Fed Up? Learn Less Taxing Ways to Use eGov sites" at the OLC Northeast Chapter Conference.
- The State Library has concluded its search for the Library Assistant II position located in Library Programs and Development. Pending routine approvals, the new employee will start in April 2015. The selected candidate's name will be announced closer to the start date.
- The job posting for the Chief Information Officer position located in Columbus expired on March 29, 2015. The State Library is currently reviewing the credentials of all applicants and will reach out to those selected for an interview.
- Recruiting for the Library Consultant position located at our SEO Library Center division located in Caldwell, Ohio has been put on hold.

Summer Food Service Program

- Public libraries may serve free meals or snacks to all youth in the library or at an outreach location, thanks to the USDA's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). This federally-funded program helps fill the nutrition gap for children and teens who are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals, and are at significant risk of going hungry in the summer. Many Ohio libraries already participate, and find it very rewarding and beneficial. The State Library website offers a basic "how-to" guide for libraries to learn more about SFSP and how to become a site or a sponsor, partner with existing sites, promote the program, and/or refer young patrons to available sites: <https://library.ohio.gov/summer-food>.

Training

- The State Library held a staff in-service training on Friday, March 27, 2015. Staff members from Caldwell travelled to Columbus to attend; this was the first time all staff from both locations came together to meet as one group since the 1980s. Among other activities, State Library staff members participated in True Colors® training facilitated by employees of the Ohio Office of Budget and Management.