

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, October 31, 2015

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<https://library.ohio.gov/about/state-librarian-board/>

Choose to Read Ohio

- The 2015 & 2016 Choose to Read Ohio booklist features 20 titles, for all ages and interests, by a variety of notable Ohio writers and illustrators including Mindy McGinnis, Sharon Draper, Susan Orlean, Nikki Giovanni, Jeffrey Ebbeler, Amit Majmudar, and others.
- Readers' toolkits for each CTRO book feature author biographies, discussion questions, Common Core connections, and activities and links for further exploration and enjoyment. All the toolkits for 2015 & 2016 books are now posted for free download. In addition, toolkits are available for all 75 books selected to CTRO since its inception in 2009. All the toolkits, and additional information about CTRO, are available on the State Library website: <https://library.ohio.gov/ctro>.
- Questions on Choose to Read Ohio should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Digital Public Library of America

- In April 2015, the State Library Board awarded an LSTA grant to Columbus Metropolitan Library to act as administrator and lead implementer for a "DPLA in Ohio Planning Project." This project will develop a plan for Ohio cultural heritage institutions to participate in DPLA through creation of an Ohio Service Hub.
- The DPLA in Ohio Working Groups: Technical Strategy, Advocacy, Metadata Standards, Governance, Legal Agreements, and Sustainability have been finalized and have begun to meet.
- A survey was sent to Ohio cultural heritage organizations to assess current and future plans related to digital collections and associated metadata. Survey results are currently being compiled and analyzed by project consultants from the Bishoff Group.
- A DPLA Symposium will be held at the State Library on December 3, 2015. Attendees will learn about DPLA, review the results of the statewide digital collections survey, and discuss next steps for Ohio's involvement in DPLA. Registration will open November 4 on the State Library events calendar, <https://library.ohio.gov/events/2015-12/>. Registration is limited to two individuals per institution and is only open to those institutions with digital collections.
- More information on the project can be found at <http://dplaohio.org>. Questions should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

eRate

- The yearly workshop on eRate will be on Nov 12 at the State Library and will be broadcast as a webinar. Register at: <https://library.ohio.gov/event/erate-workshop/>.
- Questions on eRate should be addressed to Mandy Knapp, aknapp@library.ohio.gov.

Guiding Ohio Online

- The State Library has been awarded a 2015 Ohio AmeriCorps Formula Grant in the amount of \$265,575 by ServeOhio, the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism. The funding will be used to implement the Guiding Ohio Online project.
- Guiding Ohio Online will engage 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 will target populations in rural Ohio, resulting in enhanced digital skills. More information on the project can be found at <http://guidingohionline.org/>.

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- Twenty-nine public libraries are hosting an AmeriCorps member and these libraries have been selected through a competitive application process. Members began their 11-month term of service on September 21, 2015. Four positions are yet to be filled.
- 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 final in-person convening of ILEAD USA took place at Mohican State Park, October 27-29, 2015. The following State Library staff participated in the event: Beverly Cain, Missy Lodge, Ann Watson, 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 three ILEAD USA teams presented their projects to representatives from their home library, community supporters and the State Library Board on October 29.
- For more information on ILEAD USA go to <https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/training-and-professional-development/ilead-usa-ohio/>. Questions on the program should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

Library Leadership Ohio

- The State Library is once again partnering with OhioNET on Library Leadership Ohio. The mission of LLO is to "create the next generation of transformative library leaders." Thirty-two individuals will be selected to participate in LLO 2016.
- Library Leadership Ohio, facilitated by the Ivy Library Group, will take place July 19 -22, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Worthington. Tuition for the event is \$500.
- Application materials are now available at: <http://libraryleadershipohio.org/about/application-processd/>. Completed applications must be received at the State Library by 11:59 p.m. December 14, 2015. Application materials and other information can be found at <http://libraryleadershipohio.org>.
- Questions on Library Leadership Ohio should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

LSTA

- Eleven applications were received for the LSTA competitive grants. Applications have been sent to LSTA reviewers. Recommended applications will be presented at the December 8, 2015 State Library Board meeting for funding.
- 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.
- Two new competitive LSTA grant programs will be announced in November and December 2015. The TV Whitespace grant will provide public library patrons, especially in outlying areas greater connectivity. The Summer Reading Program grant will enhance public libraries' 2016 summer reading programs with library-led activities promoting health and wellness, supporting individual and community well-being. Look for announcements on these grant programs on library listservs and the State Library webpage.
- Questions on the LSTA program should be addressed to Cindy Boyden, cboyden@library.ohio.gov or Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

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Ohio Digital Library

- Digital periodicals are now available through the Ohio Digital Library.
- Circulation has increased 20% YTD since the previous year.
- Questions on the Ohio Digital Library should be address to Mandy Knapp, aknapp@library.ohio.gov or Jennifer Cassidy, jcassidy@library.ohio.gov.

Staffing

- The State Library of Ohio welcomed David Daiber to our team on October 5, 2015. David is a Library Assistant 2 and comes to us with a lot of useful experience from the Public Defender's Office.
- An appreciation luncheon was provided to State Library's Columbus staff on October 30, 2015. State Librarian Beverly Cain recognized staff for their many years of dedicated public service by providing State of Ohio service pins. Service ranged from less than one year to 37 years! A new peer-to-peer recognition program was also unveiled entitled *You Rock!* Library peers can recognize each other for providing red carpet customer service; going above and beyond regular work responsibilities; helping a co-worker; excelling in a particularly difficult work-related challenge; etc.

Summer Reading Program

- Manuals for the 2016 CSLP program have been shipped to all Ohio public libraries on statewide delivery, and are currently being shipped via USPS or UPS to libraries not on statewide delivery. The 2016 CSLP themes are "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" (children/early literacy); "Get in the Game: Read" (teens); and "Exercise Your Mind: Read" (adults).
- Summer Reading Program workshops presented by Ohio's Regional Library Systems are scheduled from November through March. The State Library of Ohio is pleased to sponsor the SRP workshops. These in-person workshops focus on planning and producing SRPs for children through age 12, and much of the content relates to the CSLP theme. Teen SRP webinars are also in development. Additionally, NEO-RLS is presenting, for the first time, an in-person adult SRP workshop. For a list of all workshops and webinars scheduled to date with registration links, see the Ohio Summer Reading Program web page at <https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/library-programs-development/youth-services/ohio-summer-reading-program/#SRPWorkshops>.
- Questions on Summer Reading should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Training

- Janet Ingraham Dwyer presented an OLC Conference program on "Hungry Kids Don't Read" about the Summer Food Service Program and a LibChat on "The Whole Library Supports the Whole Child" about public libraries' role in supporting the entire development and well-being of young people. Janet also co-moderated "You Did WHAT at the Library?" an Unprogram on unusual and innovative library programs for youth.
- Missy Lodge presented an OLC Conference program with Anastasia Diamond-Ortiz of Cleveland Public Library entitled "Inputs, Outputs, Outcomes, Oh My!" about how using the correct inputs will lead to outputs and outcomes that can be easily translated into value statements.
- Katy Klettlinger presented an OLC Conference program with Chauncey Montgomery of Community Library-Sunbury entitled "Heading in the Right Direction: Creating a Strategic Plan for Your Library" about the importance of having a strategic plan, the process of developing a plan, and how to practically implement what has been put on paper. She also presented "Let the Sunshine In: How to Comply with Ohio's Records Law" about how to create and maintain required documentation such as retention schedules, disposal lists, and public records policies and acquire practical tips to better facilitate records requests.