

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, March 31, 2016

Reports are posted on the State Library of Ohio website at
<https://library.ohio.gov/about/state-librarian-board/>

Announcements

- [State Library of Ohio's Government Information Services Featured on U.S. GPO Website](#)
- [Open eBooks Opens World of Digital Reading to Children](#)

Choose to Read Ohio

- State Librarian Beverly Cain and the CTRO Advisory Board recently honored Floyd Dickman's contributions to the Ohio library community by proclaiming the establishment of a special Floyd's Pick CTRO annual book selection. Each year the CTRO Advisory Board will select an outstanding book in Ohio children's literature to be Floyd's Pick. The first Floyd's Pick book will be announced in spring 2016 along with the 2017 and 2018 CTRO booklist.
- Over 50 educators and librarians, serving as CTRO electors, have reviewed the titles nominated for the 2017 and 2018 CTRO booklist and have cast their votes. The new booklist will be announced at the 2016 Ohioana Book Festival, Saturday, April 23, and will feature five notable books each for adults, teens, tweens/middle grades, and young children.
- The 2015 and 2016 Choose to Read Ohio booklist, readers' toolkits for all 75 books selected to CTRO since its inception in 2009, 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 Symposium was held at the State Library on December 3, 2015. Over 100 attendees heard about DPLA, results of the statewide digital collections survey, and discussed next steps for Ohio's involvement in DPLA.
- At the DPLA Symposium, it was announced that the State Library would be the lead organization for a three-year DPLA prototype. Details are being finalized. As the working groups finalize their reports, the DPLA Consultants have begun developing an application to be submitted to DPLA for the formation of an Ohio Service Hub. The intent is to submit the application by July 1, 2016.
- As a follow-up to the DPLA Survey, State Library and Ohio History Connection staff are developing a workshop to assist libraries who plan to digitize their holdings in the near future and would like to learn how to get started in the process. The workshop is scheduled for April 28, 2016 at the State Library.
- Several individuals associated with the DPLA Ohio project, including State Library staff Missy Lodge and Katy Klettlinger, will be attending DPLA Fest in Washington DC, April 14-15.
- More information on the project can be found at <http://dplaohio.org>. Questions should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Events

- March 28 – Marsha McDevitt-Stredney represented the State Library at the Kent State University School of Library & Information Science Celebration of Alumni & Student Success 2016.

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." Library Leadership Ohio, facilitated by the Ivy Library Group, will take place July 19-22, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Worthington.

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- The Selection Team met in late March and selected the 32 individuals to attend LLO. Attendees will represent all types and sizes of libraries. Applicants received notification letters on March 28. A press announcement on LLO and the selected attendees will be released in early April.
- Questions on Library Leadership Ohio should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

List of New Acquisitions

- The list of new titles in the State Library Circulating Book Collection for March 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.
- The TV Whitespace Grant will provide public library patrons, especially in outlying areas, greater connectivity. The RFP and information about the TVWS Grant program can be found at: <https://library.ohio.gov/documents/tv-white-space/>. Round one proposals will be accepted through April 15, 2016.
- The State Library has developed a special grant program in collaboration with the Ohio Preservation Council. In order to apply for this Conservation Grant, an applicant must first attend the Special Collections Care class, a three hour workshop to be held at the State Library June 16, 2016. Workshop registration begins April 5. The RFP can be found at: <https://library.ohio.gov/documents/ohio-lsta-conservation-grant-rfp/>.
- RFPs for competitive LSTA grants in the categories of Literacy, STEM, Outreach and Partnerships, and Data Management and Analytics will be released in early April.
- LSTA Open Grants were recently awarded to Bossard Memorial Library, Wickliffe Public Library and the Ohio Library Council.
- Questions on the LSTA program should be addressed to Cindy Boyden, cboyden@library.ohio.gov or Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Newsletters

- The Ohio Libraries Quarterly – First Quarter 2016 Issue is in design. Focus on Library Programs & Development Department at the State Library.

Presentation

- March 23 – Marsha McDevitt-Stredney presented “Creating Exhibits for Local History Collections” at the Northeast Chapter Conference of the Ohio Library Council.

Print Materials

- Bookmarks for the Ohio Digital Library were delivered.
- Stickers for the Ohio Digital Library are in production.
- Working with OhioLINK to customize promotional flyer for state employees.

Summer Food Service Program

- During the summer, public libraries in income-eligible areas may serve free meals or snacks to all youth in the library or at an outreach location, at no financial cost to the library, 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>.

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Summer Reading Program

- The 2016 incentive certificate for 50% off camping at Ohio State Parks is now available. The certificates, courtesy of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, are 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. Certificate holders may reserve their campsites. The certificate is good through October 31, 2016. This certificate may be used as an incentive in any public library's summer reading program.
- The 2016 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. The Ohio State Fair runs from July 27 – August 7, 2016.
- The 2016 Ohio Renaissance Festival incentive is now available. Readers bringing the coupon to the 2016 Festival receive 50% off admission. Libraries must order coupons from the Renaissance Festival by April 15.
- For a master copy of either/both statewide incentives, or with any questions about Summer Reading, email Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Take 5

- [Registration is open](#) for "Take 5: Level Up! Level Out!" in Athens on Wednesday, May 4, 2016. Registration is only \$15 and includes speaker presentations, multisensory hands-on activities, guided conversation, locally sourced lunch and refreshments, and more. 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](#), follow the [Take 5 Facebook page](#), and register via SERLS here: <http://www.tinyurl.com/Take5registration>. Take 5 is supported by LSTA funds administered by the State Library of Ohio and by a generous contribution from the Athens County Public Libraries, and is also supported by SERLS and the Athens Community Center. Take 5 is developed and presented by a team of Ohio public and school librarians.

Training

- The following Library Development Staff are attending the Public Library Association (PLA) Conference in Denver, April 5-9, 2016: Cindy Boyden, Mandy Knapp, and Evan Struble. Evan and Mandy will be conducting a session on the Guiding Ohio Online project.

Website

- Edits, new content, and updates were posted for the Summer Reading Program, Youth Services, Ohio Digital Library, and Ohio LSTA Program.