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## The Wednesday Word

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### Genealogy for night owls

### Genealogy for Night Owls August 20, 2014

Beginning your genealogical research can seem like a daunting task, which is why the Indiana State Library is hosting a unique event to help Hoosiers discover their family history. Genealogy for Night Owls is a chance to get one-on-one assistance from State Library subject experts. The event will include

### ILHB Appoints Jacob Speer as Indiana's 34th State Librarian

**Former State Library executive staffer brings state, local library leadership experience.**

The Indiana Library & Historical Board (ILHB) has named Jacob Speer as the Indiana State Library's Director and State Librarian. Returning to the State Library is a homecoming for Speer who served as Director of the Library Development Office from 2005-2010. Most recently he acted as Executive Director of the Wauke (IA) Public Library. He was also Executive Director of the Hussey-Mayfield Public Library in Zionsville from 2010-2013.

"Jake has proven himself a leader at both the state and local public library level, which made him an ideal fit as Indiana's next State Librarian," said Robert Barcus, ILHB President. "Given his familiarity with State Library staff, policies and services, the ILHB is confident in his ability to hit the ground running."

Speer is the 34th State Librarian since the agency was established in 1825. The State Librarian is responsible for overseeing the daily affairs of the State Library, which include: developing and providing library services to Indiana citizens and state government employees; encouraging and supporting the development of the library profession; strengthening the services of publicly and privately

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### Indiana Public Library Standards Taskforce charged with conducting an initial review

opportunities for extra research time, library orientation and collection tours, Ask-An-Expert sessions, and more!

[Registration is required](#) by August 15 for this unique and free event at the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for parking and destination information.



## The Indiana State Library is seeking a Northeast Regional Coordinator

The Indiana State Library is seeking a Northeast Regional Coordinator to serve as an ambassador to library staff from all types of libraries in Indiana. Regional coordinators offer training workshops, connect local libraries with resources available from the State Library, and provide information, marketing, consulting, continuing education opportunities and more to libraries within their geographical area of the state.

Visit the State of Indiana Personnel Department's [job bank](#) and reference Job ID #589826 to apply or for more information. The deadline to apply for this position is Wednesday, August 6.

See more information about the job posting on ISL's job page [here](#).

## Indiana Library Jobs

[Head Youth Librarian](#)  
Tippecanoe County Public Library

[Beech Grove Public Library Circulation Clerk \(Part-Time\)](#)  
Beech Grove Public Library

[Youth Services Library Assistant \(Part-Time\)](#)  
Lawrenceburg Public Library Director

To see the complete list of current openings listed on the ISL [Continuing Education Jobs page](#) click [here](#).

supported libraries statewide; and maintaining and preserving the State Library's extensive collections.

◆I would like to express my gratitude to the ILHB for this opportunity to return to Indiana and lead one of the nation's finest state libraries, ◆ said Speer. ◆I look forward to building upon the progress made by Associate Director Connie Bruder and former State Librarian Roberta Brooker through the continued development and provision of high-quality library services to Indiana libraries and increasing Hoosiers' accessibility to the State Library's collections. ◆

Speer received a Bachelor of Arts in English and Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from the University of Iowa and his Master's Degree in Library Science from Indiana University ◆ Bloomington.

Connie Bruder, who served as the Library's interim director since December 2013, will continue in her role as Associate Director for Public Services.

◆The ILHB greatly appreciates Associate Director Bruder's thoughtful and steadfast leadership, ◆ said Barcus. ◆We are fortunate to have had someone with her expertise and ability to lead us during this transition and remain a vital part of the State Library's leadership team. ◆

## Butler University students gain work experience interning at ISL



### Kameron Woods - Public Relations major

During my tenure at ISL I have contributed to several interesting projects including the INSPIRE database redesign, updating Connect IN websites



The Indiana Library & Historical Board has charged the Indiana Public Library Standards Taskforce to conduct an initial review of the first two years of the new Public Library Standards. The next meeting of this taskforce is scheduled for Thursday, August 7, at the Pulaski County Public Library, 121 S. Riverside Dr. Winamac, Indiana. 46996. The meeting runs from 10 am to 3 pm and is open to the public.

Details on this meeting and the previous ones can be found by clicking [here](#).

## The Indiana State Library's Indiana Memory Program: Supporting digitization across Indiana

The Indiana State Library Digital Initiative Librarian and project director for Indiana Memory, Connie Rendfeld, spoke at the this years Public Library Associations 2014 Conference in Indianapolis, in a program titled Supporting Digitization Across Indiana. You can view the 13 minute video online by clicking [here](#). You can also download the meeting handouts by clicking [here](#).

If you would like to search the Indiana Memory Database, or learn more about the project click [here](#).

## Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

[InfoExpress Renewal Period](#)  
When: Now - August 31

[ILF Reference Division Conference](#)  
When: August 1 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Indiana Institute on Disability & Community  
Bloomington, Indiana

[ACPL Library Camp 2014](#)  
When: August 19  
Where: Allen County Public Library



### **Avon Township Public Library**

[Family Promise awarded use variance - Neighbors upset with board decision](#)

### **Danville Public Library**

[Danville Public Library hosts art contest](#)

[Story program offered for childcare centers](#)

### **Harrison County Community Foundation**

[HCCF seeks more children for free book program](#)

### **Indiana University Libraries**

[Indiana University Libraries awarded grant to restore Hoagy Carmichael home movies](#)

### **Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne**

[IPFW librarian seeks funds to build library in remote hometown in Kenya](#)

### **Indianapolis Public Library**

[Indy Library Launches Strategic Plan](#)

### **Morrisson-Reeves Library**

[OUT OF OUR PAST: Library offers 'rich intellectual feast' for 150 years](#)

### **Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library**

[Little Free Libraries added to Hummel Park](#)

pages using Word Press, and contributed to social media by taking pictures and writing short posts for Facebook and Twitter. Learning the ins and outs of these tasks and attending and contributing to meetings has taught me a lot about my major and what areas I want to explore going forward.

I greatly appreciate the staff at ISL for giving me a chance and for the lessons and skills I will take with me when I leave. There's not a greater group of people I could picture myself working for or with. Thank you to everyone at the Indiana State Library; this has been a great experience.



### **Shannon Hiday - Arts Administration major**

While interning with the Indiana State Library, I am in charge of processing and cataloging the Kurt Panzter collection. This Indianapolis lawyer and philanthropist left 50 boxes full of documents about his life. This is something that not everyone gets to do, being able to hold a piece of history in their hands, to save the photos and papers, and to conserve the memories that come attached to them.

Every day I sit down and organize documents, paying attention to every detail in front of me. It's sometimes tedious and repetitive, but I love doing this kind of work. This is something that not everyone gets to do, being able to hold a piece of history in their hands, to save the photos and papers, and to conserve the memories that come attached to them. Being an intern at the Indiana State Library means that I can preserve history so that others

### [Genealogy for Night Owls](#)

When: August 20  
Where: Indiana State Library

### [Midwest Roots 2014](#)

When: August 1 & 2  
Where: Indianapolis Marriott East

### [CYPD Conference](#)

When: August 24 & 25  
Where: Marriot East Indianapolis

### [Copyright Conference](#)

When: September 12, 2014  
Where: Indiana State Library

### [SAMS Conference](#)

When: September 18 & 19  
Where: Greensburg-Decatur PL

### [Indiana Vision Expo](#)

When: September 27  
Where: Indiana State Library

### [Friends of Indiana Libraries \(FOIL\) Conference](#)

When: October 22, 2014  
Where: Melton Public Library

### [ILF Annual Conference](#)

When: November 17-19  
Where: Marriot East Indianapolis

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