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### Welcome New Library Directors

Please join the State Library in welcoming these new public library directors:

*Beth Davidson, Director, Dunkirk Public Library*

*Sherri Risse, Director, Spencer County Public Library*

Best of luck to you both!

### [More Library News](#)

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*Elkhart Truth*

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*Lafayette Journal & Courier*

## Online Resources Available to Promote Banned Books Week


**Banned Books Week** is an annual event  celebrating the freedom to read. Held September 22-28, it highlights the value of free and open access to information. Check out the [frequently challenged books](#) section to explore the issues and controversies around book challenges and book banning.

For more information on Banned Books Week, check out their [Calendar of Events](#) and [Ideas and Resources](#) web pages.

*Pulaski County PL Featured by ALA, Submit Your Photos*

The American Library Association featured a [photo](#) courtesy of the Pulaski County Public Library on their Facebook page today for Library Card Sign-Up month. Add your library's pictures featuring your library card to [the ALA's Flickr group](#), and it will appear on the official [Library Card Sign-up Month webpage](#) and possibly on Facebook!


## National Survey to Connect Indiana Libraries to Community Needs

 Library directors across Indiana will receive postcards this week inviting them to take part in a [national survey on Digital Inclusion](#) through November 18th. This study conducts a national survey of public libraries that explores the digital inclusion roles of public libraries. The goals of the survey are to:

- **Identify the impacts of public computer and Internet access on the community.**
- **Show library public access technology services in terms of key community demographics.**
- **Identify gaps in public access technology services based on community needs.**
- **Demonstrate library contributions to community digital inclusion efforts.**
- **Support efforts to inform and educate stakeholders – policymakers, foundations, elected officials, trustees, and the media – about the value of libraries in building digitally inclusive communities.**

The survey is not mandatory, but participation is encouraged to provide Indiana libraries with the most accurate demographics about the areas they serve. Questions about the survey can be directed to the Digital Inclusion Survey [project team](#).

## Leadership Academy Projects Focus on Marketing, Culture

Members of the 2013-2014 Indiana Library  Leadership Academy have finalized their group capstone projects. Please take time to review the following initiatives:

## Register Today for Story Time Boot Camp

Register today for Story Time Boot Camp. Space is limited and many locations may fill up quickly. Visit the [WebJunction Indiana Online Calendar](#) to secure your spot. Locations:

**Carmel Clay PL:** 9/5 @ 9:00 AM

**Vermillion Co. PL:** 9/12 @ 9:00 AM

**Allen County PL:** 9/17 @ 1:30 PM

**Ohio Twp PL System:** 9/18 @ Noon CDT

**New Albany Floyd Co. PL:** 9/26 @ 10:00 AM

**Mooresville PL:** 10/3 @ 9:00 AM

**Jay County PL:** 10/18 @ 9:30 AM

**Remington Carpenter Twp PL:** 10/30 @ 9:30 AM

## [Upcoming Workshops, & Important Dates](#)

[Every Child Ready to Read 2nd Edition!](#)

When: September 10 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Jasper County Public Library - DeMotte Branch

[Libraries & Pinterest](#)

When: September 10 @ 9:30 AM

Where: Culver-Union Twp Public Library

[Dealing with Challenging Patrons](#)

When: September 10 @ 1:30 PM

Where: Culver-Union Twp Public Library

[Intellectual Freedom Workshop](#)

When: September 12 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Indiana State Library

[Health Literacy and ACA @ your library](#)

When: September 17 @ 10:00 AM

Where: Live Online

[2013 SAMS Conference](#)

When: September 19 & 20

Where: Pendleton Public Library



[Consumer Health Literacy and Affordable Care Act Resources](#)

[Local librarian to be recognized](#)  
[Lafayette Journal & Courier](#)  
[One Great Read has a local tie](#)  
[Northwest Indiana Times](#)  
[Documentary on Grand Kankakee](#)  
[Marsh to air again this month](#) (note free giveaway in article)  
[Terre Haute Tribune Star](#)  
[No public at special hearing to check out library budget](#)

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 [SL Reference Hotline](#)

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**Project title: INSPIRE - PASS It On!** (Sherry Gick, Rossville Consolidated Schools; Joseph Fox, Indianapolis Public Library; Vincci Kwong, Franklin D. Schurz Library, IUSB; and Julie Elmore, Oakland City-Columbia Township Public Library). **Project description:** To raise awareness and usage of freely available public databases available through INSPIRE. Help team Pass It On! by completing this [brief survey](#) to help to help them better understand Inspire usage at your library. One lucky participant, will receive a \$20 gift certificate (courtesy of ILF) to use at the ILF store during the organization's annual conference.

**Project Title: Indiana Library Out Loud** (Jason Fields, Tipton County Public Library; Mary Hartman, Peabody Public Library; Addie Matteson, White River Elementary School, Noblesville; and Brad Reel, David L. Rice Library, University of Southern Indiana). **Project Description:** Using existing web-based library advocacy toolkits as a template, Indiana Libraries Out Loud will collect and curate resources which instruct, inform, and empower librarians in Indiana to tell their library's stories OUT LOUD!

**Project title: Creating a Culturally Competent Library Workforce** (Dianna Burt, Allen County Public Library; Leigh Anne Johnson, Indiana State Library; Denise Smith, Andrew Academy, School Library, Indianapolis; and Madelyn Shackelford Washington, University Library, IUPUC). **Project description:** The conversation starters will design cultural competency training materials aimed to assist Indiana library directors assess the cultural competencies of their employees.

**Project title: THIS is MY Library** (Chanitra Bishop, Herman B. Wells Library, Indiana University; Monica Casanova, Monticello-Union Township Public Library; Nancy Disbro, Andrews-Dallas Township Public Library; and Carolyn Martin, St. Vincent Hospital Library). **Project description:** Customizable publicity tool to broaden the public's perceptions of all types of Indiana libraries.

When: September 23 @ 10:00 AM  
 Where: Pike County Public Library

**Intellectual Freedom and the Library Bill of Rights**

When: September 24 @ 10:00 AM  
 Where: Live Online

**Indiana Vision Expo**

When: September 28  
 Where: Indiana State Library

**ILF Annual Conference**

When: October 22 & 23  
 Where: Indiana Convention Center - Indianapolis

**Ind. Genealogy & Local History Fair**

When: October 26  
 Where: Indiana State Library

**Indy Author Fair**

When: October 26  
 Where: Indiana Public Library - Central

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