The theme for the 2011 Spring Institutional Library Workshop is “Literacy and Technology.” In keeping with the thrust of our grant program, we will look at ways you can better serve your populations and meet their literacy needs using technology in addition to providing books. Attendees will receive book discussion study guides and CD-ROMs for use with clients and staff.

Our presenter will be Wendy Knapp, Professional Development Office Supervisor, Indiana State Library. Following this presentation we will have a lunch time speaker, Monique Howell, Reference Librarian in the Indiana Division, Indiana State Library. She will bring you up to speed on services the State Library provides to state employees.

After lunch round table discussions will focus on LSTA grants; common issues – adult, juvenile, special; and a hands-on INfo Express session. Each participant is asked to come to the workshop with 5 – 10 interlibrary loan requests.

Register early! Lunch will be provided but you must register online by Monday, May 16 at 4:00 p.m. (EST). A separate lunch option request form must be submitted by fax or email also by May 16 at 4:00 p.m.

Don’t forget the book sale giveaways at Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Services Center (2450 N. Meridian St. 46208) from 8:30—9:30 a.m. Bring your own boxes and bags for freebies. There will also be a few free books at the workshop. The workshop will begin at 10:00 a.m. and you may enter room 211 at 9:30 a.m. Parking will be available in the Senate Avenue Garage.

The 2010 LSTA Institutional Literacy Grants awarded to 12 successful applicants are wrapping up. All spending ended on March 31. Institutions are in the process of submitting their subgrant recipient reimbursement request forms and attachments to the Indiana State Library. All paperwork for claims must be submitted to the State Library by May 16. Final reports are due by June 1, 2011. Those reports will be used to complete the annual report to the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) who provides the grant funding.

The 2011 grant funds of $50,000.00 will be divided among successful applicants of the newest grant opportunity. The 15 submitted applications are currently under review. The applicants requested $65,428.00. The rubric being used for evaluation is available on the Institutional Libraries webpage: http://www.in.gov/library/3373.htm

For help with current or future grant questions, contact Marcia Smith-Woodard or our LSTA Consultant, Jennifer Clifton. Fiscal agents should direct their questions to Martha J. Ringel.
WHAT’S NEWS IN INSTITUTIONAL LIBRARIES?

SITE VISIT

Recent library school graduates from Indiana’s Librarians Leading in Diversity (I-LLID) joined Marcia Smith-Woodard for a site visit on March 18th to the Indiana Women’s Prison during their tour of six libraries in the Indianapolis area. Frank Bryan made sure the I-LLID Fellows were treated well on their first visit to prison!

INSTITUTIONAL LIBRARIANS USE MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES

Linguistic intelligence: Decoding policy and procedure, some quite profound; decoding population idioms, some quite profane.

Musical intelligence: Singing the catchy alphabet song while shelving and re-shelving fiction books.

Logical intelligence: Reciting the Dewey Decimal System while researching obscure references to Bounds vs Smith and Lewis vs Casey.

Visual intelligence: Identifying contraband, boundary violations, and books leaving the library without having been checked out.

Bodily intelligence: Juggling courier bags from the drop off at the front door to the library located three buildings away.

Intrapersonal intelligence: Meditating to lower blood pressure while furiously typing to beat the deadlines for LSTA grants.

Interpersonal intelligence: Coercing book donations from local Friends, garage sales, IMCPL, and ISL.

Natural intelligence: Walking the walks while being aware of mass movement and the most efficient paths of emergency exit.

After 20 years in the Academic (read: school, leisure, recreation) Library at Plainfield Correctional Facility, I have retired. Yet, I cannot imagine another genre that will provide those daily opportunities to make so much of a difference in the lives of so many.

Your friendship and camaraderie have been greatly appreciated. Best wishes to all as you provide the sanctuary of library services to those most in need.

Carlene Stringer, Retired Librarian
Plainfield Correctional Facility
EVANSVILLE STATE HOSPITAL LIBRARY GETS A MAKEOVER

In 2010, the Patient Library at Evansville State Hospital was reorganized into a “living, breathing library.” The Hospital partners with Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library to obtain multiple copies of titles for the hospital's version of a Book Club called “Chapter Challenge” where residents read out loud in a group and discuss the chapters of the day. The benefits go beyond reading skills: client social skills are improved – necessary skills for the development of relations vital to a stable lifestyle. Kelly Kissel, Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant, has creatively enlivened the reading experience by pairing the book readings with the movie versions and discussion.

The library's collection was automated using Resource Mate library software. In a three month period the collection of books, DVDs, and program supplies were added to the database and the clients, unit staff, and clinical staff received training. Use of the library is making a positive impact in clients’ daily Wellness Recovery Action Plans and will help them transition to positive public library usage when they leave the hospital.

Our hospital has even more benefits in working with public libraries. We’ve found that there’s a good reason to stop by the non-profit freebie day before attending the institutional workshops: On Monday, May 24, 2010, Evansville State Hospital was invited to the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library’s “Book Give-Away”. E.S.H.’s patient library was able to obtain 131 Non-Fiction Books and 80 Fiction Books for a total of 220 books. The new book price of this would have cost us $3,113.02!

Donna Mesker, Librarian
Treatment Mall Director
Evansville State Hospital

WORKSHOP SPEAKERS

WENDY KNAPP
MONIQUE HOWELL
NEW BOOKS TO BORROW FROM THE
INDIANA STATE LIBRARY

Core Technology Competencies for Librarians and Library Staff. Z682.35.T43 C67 2009
Crosby, Connie
Effective Blogging for Libraries. Z674.75.S63 C76 2010
Gallaway, Beth
Game on! Gaming at the Library. Z692.E4215 G35 2009
Gerding, Stephanie
Houghton-Jan, Sarah
Landau, Herbert B.
Maatta, Stephanie L.
MacKellar, Pamela H.
The Accidental Librarian. Z665.2.U6 M33 2008
Mathews, Patricia O'Brien
Solomon, Laura
Doing Social Media So It Matters: A Librarian's Guide Z674.75.S63 S65 2011

REGISTER FOR THE 2011 SPRING INSTITUTIONAL WORKSHOP

DATE: Monday, May 23, 2011
TIME: 9:45 – 3:00 (EST)
LOCATION: Indiana State Library
History Reference Room 211

Theme: “Literacy and Technology ”

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Visit WebJunction Indiana Calendar of Events at
http://evanced.info/indiana/evanced/evanced/eventcalendar.asp?ln=ALL

- Click May 23 – Institutional Workshop to register.
- You must include an area code and email address.
- Lunch will be provided but you must register online by 4:00 p.m. (EST) on Monday, May 16.

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