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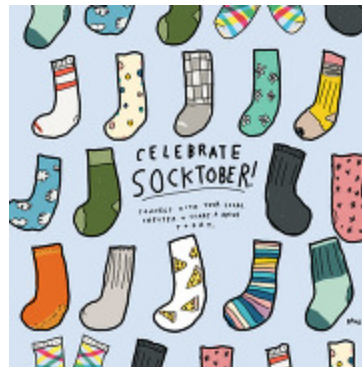
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### Milford Public Library to participate in Socktober



### Upcoming workshops and important dates

#### [Discovery to Delivery 2023](#)

When: Oct. 13, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
Where: Indiana State Library

#### [DNA Workshop with the Central Indiana DNA Interest Group](#)

When: Oct. 14, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
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### Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

#### [Reference Assistant \(part-time\)](#)

Avon-Washington Township Public Library

#### [Community Outreach Specialist](#)

Goshen Public Library

#### [Public Services Associate II \(part-time\)](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

#### [Supervisor Librarian- Adult Services](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

#### [Outreach Assistant \(part-time\)](#)

Johnson County Public Library

Started by Brad Montague in 2011, Socktober is an annual fall clothing drive. Its mission is to help the unhoused population obtain socks, their most requested - but least donated - item.

With the help of a group of middle schoolers, Montague began the process of collecting basic winter needs for men, women and children who were being served by local shelters. Montague and the children were quickly joined by local schools, churches and businesses.

The following year, Socktober began to spread beyond Montague's local community. Montague, also the creator of the web series Kid President, expanded Socktober even more when, in 2013, a Kid President video promoting the effort was uploaded to YouTube.

Ten years later, the Milford Public Library is one of many organizations joining the Socktober movement. Patrons are encouraged to bring a new pair of socks to the library for any age and size. The library will distribute the donations to the Milford Food Bank, the Milford Food Pantry and Milford School. A collection box is located upstairs in the library. A second box is located in the children's department and is decorated with socks.

When: Oct. 17, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: Anderson Public Library

#### [What's Up Wednesday: INSPIRE for Youth Services](#)

When: Oct. 25, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

#### [2023 Annual Report and Bookkeeping Workshop - In-person](#)

When: Oct. 26, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

#### [2023 Annual Report and Bookkeeping Workshop - Online](#)

When: Oct. 26, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

#### [2023 Institutional Library Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 27, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

#### [Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 2, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: Noble County Public Library - Albion Branch

#### [What's Up Wednesday - The Bridge: Noble County Public Library's Makerspace](#)

When: Nov. 8, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

#### [Building an Autism-Friendly Environment](#)

When: Nov. 9, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Where: Webinar

#### [Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 17, 9:30 a.m.-12:30

[Library Technical Services Coordinator](#)

Vincennes University

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

### In the news



[Allen County Public Library's Aboite branch reopens as repairs wrap up early](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Library art exhibit canceled due to 'unforeseen shipping circumstances'](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Something unusual returns with Fright Night 2023](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Brownstown library board planning to meet](#)

Brownstown Public Library

Donations will be accepted through October. The Milford Public Library is located at 101 N. Main St. in Milford.

A directory of shelters serving the needs of local communities can be found [here](#). Libraries interested in joining the effort can click [here](#) to read about getting started and to download promotional flyers.

Click [here](#) to read more about Socktober.

### 'Building an Autism-Friendly Environment' webinar scheduled for Nov. 9



On Thursday, Nov. 9, from 11 a.m.-12 p.m., the Indiana State Library will host "Building an Autism-Friendly Environment," a free one-hour webinar.

As one of the few public places where peace and quiet can often be found, libraries have long served autistic children and adults well.

p.m.

Where: Dubois County Public Library - Jasper Branch

[Webmaster Roundtable](#)

When: Nov. 28, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Anatomy of a Book Challenge](#)

When: Nov. 29, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

### Depository Library Conference 2023

[Solar panels installed on Carmel Clay](#)

[Public Library rooftop](#)

Carmel Clay Public Library

[Evansville Public Library hosting](#)

[virtual blood donation drive](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Fulton County Library unveils](#)

[October featured artist](#)

Fulton County Public Library

[Fishers Storywalk](#)

Hamilton East Public Library

[Hamilton East Public Library board](#)

[secretary Ray Maddalone resigns](#)

Hamilton East Public Library

[Solar Eclipse Party set for Oct. 14](#)

North Webster Community Public Library

[Downtown library branch](#)

[renovations expected to be completed in December](#)

Tippecanoe County Public Library

[The Vigo County Public Library is](#)

[home to some books older than the United States](#)

Vigo County Public Library

[Haunted Evansville Library hosting](#)

[family-friendly Eat, Drink and Be Scary event](#)

Willard Public Library

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## Is your library making news?

Still, popular group activities held at libraries can be an issue for autistic children who can easily become overwhelmed by the noise and activity of peers. Librarians and staff can become overwhelmed as well, when responses to sensory or social inaccessibility lead to what some people call “behaviors.”

The presentation will highlight brain differences in autism and show how the differences create unique sensory profiles which, in turn, determine responses to the environment. Attendees will learn about the sensory and social needs of autistic people and how to create an environment that promotes calmness and security, as well as how to prevent or respond to meltdowns. The presentation also includes book recommendations for all ages.

The webinar will be presented by Bev Harp, project director for Innovative Supports for Autistic Workers, a project of the Human Development Institute. Harp is also a self-advocate faculty for LEND at the University of Kentucky. Harp has presented at national conferences for APSE, AHEAD, TASH and many other organizations. She holds a master’s degree in social work from the University of Kentucky.

This webinar is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff. Those who cannot attend live may



The Government Publishing Office and the Depository Library Council are hosting their virtual [Depository Library Conference](#) on Oct. 16-18. [Registration](#) is now open. The free event is the largest annual gathering of Federal depository librarians and colleagues in the country. Attendees are able to participate in collaborative, informative and interactive sessions presented by the DLC, GPO and depository librarians. The conference also serves an excellent opportunity to network with GPO staff and fellow depository librarians across the country.

In addition to the sessions, the conference also features an online poster gallery and exhibitor gallery highlighting various government resources and topics. The conference sessions are also eligible for LEUs for Indiana library staff. The sessions are all recorded and archived online, so interested attendees do not have to view everything live. GPO is also hosting a preconference session - happening the week prior on Oct. 12 - with updates from GPO’s Library Services and Content Management

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### State Library blog



Follow the [Indiana State Library's blog](#) for weekly posts covering all aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

request to have the recording sent to them when it is ready - usually within 30 days of the live session - [via this form](#). The webinar will also be posted on the Indiana State Library's [Archived Training page](#).

Click [here](#) to read more and to register.

Please contact [Beth Yates](#), youth consultant at the Indiana State Library, with any questions about the webinar.

### Marion Public Library hosting Teen and Youth Services Roundtable on Oct. 26



On Thursday, Oct. 26 from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., the Marion Public Library will host a Teen and Youth Services Roundtable.

Youth and teen services staff are encouraged to join the roundtable to support, collaborate with and inspire those in the world of youth services. Those interested in attending should fill out this [RSVP form](#) by Tuesday, Oct. 24.

team. Click [here](#) to register. There are lots of upcoming opportunities to learn more about government information and to earn LEUs.

### Arts Commission announces additions to Indiana's Digital Poetry Archive



The Indiana Arts Commission, in partnership with the Indiana State Library, has announced that the works of 57 poets have been added to the State of Indiana's poetry archive, [INverse](#).

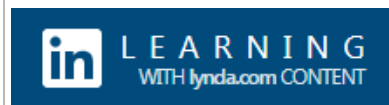
"The promotion, preservation and commemoration of Indiana poetry is a very worthy cause. The INverse Poetry Archive is a terrific project and partnership, and the State Library is honored to be part of this ongoing effort," said Jacob Speer, Indiana State Librarian.

"We are grateful for the partnership with the Indiana State Library that allows us to showcase the work of Indiana poets," said Miah Michaelsen, IAC executive director. "This collection of poetry is especially important to share during National Arts and Humanities

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### Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



### Text and Learn for Kindergarten program information



The roundtable is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff holding a standard five-year certification. Please note that up to 10 LEUs per five-year certificate period may be earned for attending professional roundtable meetings. LEUs can only be earned for attending a roundtable live. Click [here](#) to read more about roundtable discussions.

The Marion Public Library is located at 600 S. Washington St. in Marion. Those interested are encouraged to stay after the roundtable for a group lunch at Los Amores, which is located one block from the library.

Please contact Tylanna Jones at 765-668-2900, ext. 1109, or [via email](#) with any questions about the Teen and Youth Services Roundtable.

Month. The poets highlighted in this archive are great examples of the arts and humanities talent at work in Indiana."

An initiative of former Indiana Poet Laureate Adrian Matejka, INverse celebrates and preserves the diverse range of Indiana poetry for future generations of Indiana writers and readers.

"I'm excited and encouraged that the INverse Poetry Archive constantly adds more and more Hoosier voices to its diverse collection. Please enjoy the bounties of our state," said Matthew Graham, Indiana Poet Laureate.

Click [here](#) to view the list of poets that are now in the archive.

Residents of Indiana are encouraged to submit poems to the archive annually between February 1 and April 30. Click [here](#) to learn more about the Indiana INverse Poetry Archive.

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