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Gates Foundation Provides Support for Geek Program

OCLC's [Geek the Library](#) community awareness campaign, [piloted](#) in 2009 and 2010 and now available to all U.S. public libraries, has received an additional grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The supplementary \$726,000 provides ongoing campaign materials and field support for libraries currently running the campaign, and allows OCLC to work with additional public libraries that sign up by March 31, 2012. Funding ensures participating libraries can use the campaign to reach their local communities through June 2013.

Since launch, hundreds of libraries across the U.S., including dozens in Indiana, have enrolled to run local Geek the Library campaigns—and more than 100 new campaigns have kicked off since the pilot ended. Participants are embracing the campaign, and are enthusiastically customizing content and actively involving their communities.

Participating libraries receive an initial kit of Geek the Library materials, such as posters and stickers, plus additional kits as the campaign progresses, along with access to a comprehensive online guide to implementing the campaign. This resource features pages of advice for each phase of a local campaign, printable documents, art templates and images, a forum to share ideas with other participating libraries, and a blog that features ideas and updates weekly. Field managers also provide assistance in planning and roll-out, and are available to respond to questions throughout the campaign period.

Libraries can get more information about implementing the campaign locally at get.geekthelibrary.org

Smith-Woodard to Receive ILF's Special Services Award

Courtesy of the Indiana Library Federation

Marcia Smith-Woodard, Special Services Consultant at the Indiana State Library, will be honored during the Indiana Library Federation's annual conference. The Special Services Award honors exceptional contributions or services which strengthen library services in a local community, school, or across the state.

Ms. Smith-Woodard's contributions include an extraordinary commitment to the I-LLID program, a \$1 million grant which, among other things, funded MLS fellowships to 31 individuals of color. Marcia proved to be a champion in handling the multi-faceted project which effectively providing guidance and mentoring to new librarians. One of her letters of recommendation cited Ms. Smith-Woodard's high level of collaborative, organizational and planning skills as she also took on the role of serving as president of the Indiana Black Librarians Network during this time.

Next Money Smart Week Scheduled in April 2012

State Library Seeks Input on Technology Tools

The State Library wants to know how you use participatory technology tools, sometimes referred to as Web/Library 2.0 tools. We are interested in developing new continuing education opportunities and need your feedback. Please take a moment to complete our [simple eight-question survey](#) before October 31.

Conferences & Workshops

Society of Indiana Archivists Fall Workshop

When: October 7 (All Day)

Where: DePauw University Archives, Greencastle

Ind. Black Librarians Network 10th Anniversary Conference

When: October 14 & 15

Where: Purdue University Black Cultural Center - West Lafayette

Midwest ContentDM Users Group

When: October 14 & 15

Where: Ball State University

SW Indiana YA Roundtable

When: Oct. 18 @ 11:00 AM (CST)

Where: Oakland City PL

Advanced INSPIRE Genealogy & Local History

When: October 19 @ 2:00 PM

Where: Live Online

Serving Homeschoolers

When: Oct. 20 @ 10:00 AM

Where: Roann Paw-Paw Township Public Library

Programming for Babies

When: Oct. 20 @ 11:00 AM

Where: Roann Paw-Paw Township Public Library

Indiana Genealogy & Local History Fair

When: October 22 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Indiana State Library

Every Child Ready to Read 2nd Edition Workshops

[October 23 - Evansville-Vanderburgh Co. Public Library](#)

Advanced INSPIRE K-12 Resources

When: October 25 @ 1:00 PM

Where: Tipton Co. Public Library

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The ALA is continuing its  **Money Smart Week** partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago to grow Money Smart Week @ your library, which will be held April 21-28, 2012. ALA will be hosting a **webinar for libraries** on Wednesday, October 26 (2:00-3:00 Central

In 2011, libraries in 30 states participated, and the goal is to get libraries in all 50 states in 2012. Libraries provide financial literacy programming on all kinds of topics and for all ages and demographics. during the week.

Learn more about Money Smart Week and take advantage of resources, programming ideas, and more at www.moneysmartweek.org

IOLUG Fall Program

When: October 28
Where: Indiana Wesleyan University-Indianapolis North

Marketing Your Physical Space

When: Oct. 31 @ 1:00 PM (CDT)
Where: Lowell Public Library

ILF Annual Conference

When: November 14-16
Where: Fort Wayne

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