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### Welcome New Directors

Please join the State Library in welcoming the following new library directors around the state:

- **Christine ("Chris") Mahon, Director, Hartford City PL**
- **Margo English, Interim Director, Owensville Carnegie PL**
- **Tyson Wheeler, Director, Otterbein PL**

Best of luck to you all!

### [More Library News](#)

#### **Associated Press**

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#### **Fort Wayne Journal Gazette**

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### State Library Websites Named Nation's Best by Family Tree Magazine

Family Tree Magazine, America's #1 family history 2013 Best State Websites publication recently recognized the Indiana State Library Genealogy Collection among the "2013 Best State Websites" for the third-consecutive year and Indiana Memory for the first time.

The [Genealogy Collection's website](#) offers several features and resources that can assist visitors with their family history research. The website highlights statewide indexes to marriages, deaths, biographies and newspapers, as well as vital records and indexes for each of Indiana's 92 counties. The Genealogy Collection has developed over time to become one of the largest collections of family history information in the Midwest. In addition to its abundant online resources, the collection includes over 40,000 printed items as well as microfilmed federal census records, Indiana county records, passenger lists, military pension information and hundreds of CDs with family history information. The emphasis of the collection is on Indiana and bordering states, as well as eastern and southern states. Resources for Native American and African-American family history research are also available.

[Indiana Memory](#) is a digital library providing free access to Indiana's unique cultural and historical heritage through a variety of digital formats. Administered by the Indiana State Library, it is a collaboration of Indiana libraries, museums, archives, and related cultural organizations. Indiana Memory was launched on July 1, 2008 with 50 collections containing a cumulative total of 25,000 items. Today, Indiana's digital library continues to grow and currently provides access to 154 collections and nearly 400,000 items.

### New Listserv Offers Resources, Forum for Book Club Programming



A new listserv, INBookClub, is a discussion list for librarians and library staff who manage or support book club programming. The list is a forum for exchanging ideas and dealing with issues that relate to book clubs.

From preschoolers to retirees and everyone one in between, Indiana libraries have access to great book club resources that can enhance your public programming. Notable resources

include:

- **Children/YA Book Club Kits:** Book Club Kits contain 15 copies of each title in paperback and a discussion guide. The kits circulate for 3 months.
- **Storytime Kits (Preschool):** Each thematic storytime kits contains books, manipulatives, music CDs and an activity guide.

### Libraries Invited to Join Paper Purchasing Event

LibraryIndiana invites public and academic libraries to participate in a demand aggregation event for copy paper. Over the last year, under the K12Indiana program, 60 participating schools and libraries realized up to 73% in savings.

Libraries that would like to be included in the demand aggregation event must provide the quantity they would like to order through [www.LibraryIndiana.com](http://www.LibraryIndiana.com).

Check out this [webinar](#) or contact Steven Schmidt, Library Development Office Supervisor, at [steschmidt@library.in.gov](mailto:steschmidt@library.in.gov) for more information.

### Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

#### State Library Closed for Thanksgiving

When: Nov. 28 - Dec. 1

#### Basic INSPIRE

When: December 3 @ 10:00 AM  
Where: Pulaski County PL

#### Teen Behavior: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly

When: December 3 @ 11:00 AM  
Where: Pulaski County PL

#### Storytime for Children with Disabilities

When: December 16 @ 9:30 AM  
Where: Vigo Co. Public Library

#### Every Child Ready 2 Read - 2nd Edition

[raises for 2014](#)

**Greencastle Banner-Graphic**

'Hero Tree' creation, ornament-making sessions at PCPL to recognize veterans

**Greencastle Banner-Graphic**

PCPL hires new director

**Hendricks County Flyer**

Providence Cristo Rey High School

joins IPL Shared System

**Logansport Pharos-Tribune**

Delphi library puts technology grant to work

**Logansport Pharos-Tribune**

Crash damages library, results in arrest

**Madison Courier**

Senior Sleuths

**New Albany-Jeffersonville News & Tribune**

Mother Goose on the Loose

**Richmond Palladium-Item**

Kids can hear local authors, create their own story

**Rushville Republican**

Library expansion proposal heard

**South Bend Tribune**

Hesburgh Library turns 50

**Washington Times Herald**

Books deliver holiday cheer

**Your Library**

**Making News?**

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- **Big Idea Storytime Kits (Preschool):** If you are looking to add math and science elements to your storytimes, these are the kits for you!
- **Shared Book Discussion Resources List:** This [database](#) is a listing of book discussion/club resources located at public libraries throughout Indiana.
- **Novel Conversations:** The Indiana Humanities' statewide lending library is open to any Indiana library and offers **more than 360 titles free of charge.**

All of the resources are available via INfo Express. Visit the [Book Club webpage](#) to learn more about these great resources and other book club related programs for Indiana libraries. To sign up for INBookClub or any other statewide library listservs, visit the [Indiana State Library's listserv homepage](#).

**Summer Reading, Rock Star Training Coming to a Library Near You**

Indiana State Library Children's Services

Consultant Suzanne Walker has scheduled a statewide tour to discuss summer reading and Rock Star Start-Up kits. Attendees at any of the 17 statewide locations can earn up to five LEUs via the following workshops:

- **2014 CSLP Training: Ages 0-12 (2 LEUs)**
- **2014 CSLP Training: Ages 13-Adult (2 LEUs)**
- **Rock Star Training (1 LEU)**

If you would like to attend one or both CSLP trainings on the same day as your Rock Star training, you must sign up for each training separately. A complete listing of times, dates and locations is available on the [WebJunction Indiana Calendar of Events](#). Please contact Suzanne Walker at [suwalker@library.in.gov](mailto:suwalker@library.in.gov) for more information about the workshop series.



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When: Dec. 18 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Hancock Co. Public Library (Greenfield)

**PLA Conference**

When: March 11 -15, 2014  
Where: Indiana Convention Center - Downtown Indy

**Discovery to Delivery V: Better Together**

When: Apr. 25, 2014 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Indianapolis Public Library - Central

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