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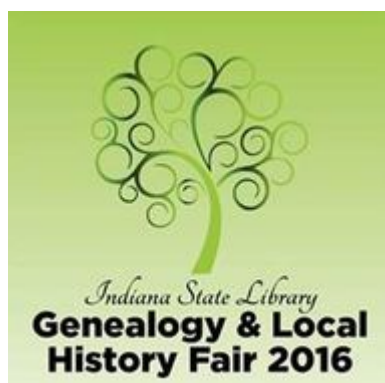


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Celebrate Family History Month at ISL's Genealogy and Local History Fair



The Indiana State Library will host the annual Indiana Genealogy and Local History Fair in downtown Indianapolis on Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Admission is free and open to the general public. This year's theme is "200 Years of My Indiana Home," examining the lives and times of Hoosiers throughout the years and exploring the homes and neighborhoods in which they lived. Attendees will learn



Hello, and welcome to the Government Information Minute.

This bi-weekly column is brought to you by the Government Information Librarians at the [Indiana State Library](#). We cover current resources on Govt Info at local, state, national, and international levels. It's all for you, to keep you updated and well-informed! Suggestions and comments welcome. Check out more

Indiana Library Jobs



[Library Assistant](#)

Bristol Public Library

[Mobile Library Assistant \(Part-Time, 24 hrs./per week\)](#)

Carmel Clay Public Library

[Instruction/Reference Librarian](#)

Indiana Tech

[Public Services Librarian \(Part-Time\)](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[Community Engagement Specialist](#)

Mitchell Community Public Library

[Library Director](#)

Wells County Public Library

To see the complete list of current openings listed on the ISL Continuing Education Jobs page click [here](#)

In The News



[Moody's Downgrades Allen County Public Library, IN's Lease Bonds, Ser. 2004&2005 to Aa3; Confirms Aa3 on Lease Bonds, Ser. 2012](#)
Allen County Public Library

how to incorporate local history, architecture, house history, and maps and other land record resources into their family research. The following fabulous door prizes will be given away:

- 1 annual World Explorer individual memberships to Ancestry.com
- 1 annual Newspapers.com subscription
- 1 annual Fold3.com subscription
- 1 annual AncestryAcademy.com subscription
- 1 AncestryDNA kit
- and more!

Each session (there will be four sessions) is worth 1 LEU. To receive LEUs, register via email at crward@library.in.gov.

Bring along photographs to be scanned during the fair by the Indiana Album, a non-profit organization that copies, catalogs, and shares history photographs of Indiana from all eras. The project, endorsed by the Indiana Bicentennial Commission, seeks images of buildings, businesses, churches, clubs, schools, and interesting people. See their web page (www.indianaalbum.com) to learn more, discover how to submit your own scans, or to view over 5,000 images scanned so far.

For more information, see our [Events](#) page.

Indiana Young Readers Center is Open!



The Indiana Young Readers Center at the State Library was officially opened on Thursday, October 6 at an event featuring special guest speakers and an open house for attendees.

Indiana Govt Info updates on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

October is Family History Month



Back in 2001, the U.S. Congress first passed a resolution to commemorate October as Family History Month. Genealogists continue to celebrate every October. Below are highlights of federal agencies that support and promote genealogical research.

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

was created by Congress in 1934 to preserve and care for the most valuable records created by the U.S. Federal government for both historical reasons and legal requirements. Some of those records may contain clues about your family's history, and NARA has organized a guide, [Resources for Genealogists](#). Of particular interest are microfilmed [NARA records which have been digitized in partnership](#) Ancestry.com, Fold3.com, and Familysearch.org. Check out all of NARA's resource links on the left side of the page. Attend the National Archives' [2016 Virtual Genealogy Fair](#)

[Local authors, professors celebrate Indiana Bicentennial through literature](#)

Ball State University, Bracken Library

[Hoosier author will frame state's history with its future](#)

Bartholomew County Public Library

[Bloomfield Library's renovation nearly complete](#)

Bloomfield Library

[Presentation will reveal Elkhart County's role in freeing slaves](#)

Goshen Public Library

[Art of equine: Horse-lovers draw, paint majestic animals](#)

Greenwood Public Library

[Local quilt to be highlight at Hoosier Homecoming](#)

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[Southport Branch of the Indianapolis Public Library to celebrate its grand re-opening](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[Out with the old, in with the new at the library](#)

Kendallville Public Library

[KHCPL receives grant from Duke Energy Foundation](#)

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

['Noblesville' author to speak](#)

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

[Workshop to teach about backyard habitat](#)

Muncie Public Library

[North Madison libraries consider their future as circulation declines](#)

North Madison County Public Library System

[Bicentennial art exhibit on display at library](#)

Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library

The evening began with State Librarian, Jacob Speer, welcoming guests and introducing the speakers. Dr. Robert Barcus spoke on behalf of the Indiana State Library Foundation, a large contributor of funding for the Center. Executive Director of the Indiana Bicentennial Commission, Perry Hammock, spoke about the many Bicentennial Legacy Projects, including the IN Young Readers Center, across the state. Karen Jaffe, head of the Library of Congress Young Readers Center, read aloud a letter of congratulations from Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress. Indiana author April Pulley Sayre performed the "Indiana Chant", which she penned in honor of the state's 200th birthday and is featured in the IN Young Readers Center. State Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz concluded the speaking ceremony by sharing her support and enthusiasm for libraries and the promotion of literacy to our state's youth.

Superintendent Glenda Ritz and Dr. Robert Barcus then officially opened the Indiana Young Readers Center following a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Guests enjoyed an open house with refreshments and music by harpist, Abigail Acosta. Children got their pictures taken with Garfield and Clifford characters and received gift bags that included a free book, bookmarks, and more.

The Indiana State Library is the first state library to open such a center for youth. The IN Young Readers Center houses a collection of print and Braille books by Indiana authors/illustrators. The newly installed exhibits include interactive activities for visitors to learn more about Indiana authors, Genealogy, Indiana history, and more!

The IN Young Readers Center is open Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:30, and Saturday 10:00-4:00.

Human Resources Training

on October 26 & 27, 2016 (Wednesday & Thursday), in this free two-day, virtual Genealogy Fair via YouTube webcast. Missed out? The Virtual Fairs for the years [2013](#), [2014](#), and [2015](#) are [archived](#) with sessions and presentation materials available. Additional [Know Your Records](#) events show how to use U.S. government records at NARA for historical and genealogical research by [watching the videos on YouTube](#).

The Library of Congress (LOC) was established by statute in 1800, and it has one of the world's premier collections of U.S. and foreign genealogical and local historical publications. Get expert advice about the [Local History and Genealogy Reference Services](#) provided by the Humanities and Social Sciences Division. Learn about the LOC collections by viewing [online video research orientations](#). View the digitized copies of materials on U.S. history from the LOC collections through the [American Memory](#) digital collection.

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), an independent federal agency created in 1965, is one of the largest funders of humanities programs in the U.S. The list of [digitization and research projects](#) that you may find useful or have already utilized, includes:

[The African-American Families Database](#) maps the journey of African-American families before and after the Civil War with genealogical

Is Your Library Making News?

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Free training on lynda.com



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On Thursday, October 27th, the State Library will be hosting an all-day free Human Resources conference taking attendees through the lifecycle of an employee (job application through separation) from a legal perspective. Speakers from Ice Miller, LLP will cover laws and best practices with regard to hiring, wage and hour compliance, medical issues in the work place, employee performance, and more. This conference is for public library directors, trustees, human resources professionals, and supervisors. To register for this event click [here](#).

Society of Indiana Archivists 2016 Fall Workshop

The Society of Indiana Archivists 2016 Fall workshop is for those interested in providing greater access to their unique, locally hosted digital archival collections through inclusion in the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) and/or Indiana Memory. The presenters will guide participants in structuring existing metadata to conform to DPLA and Indiana Memory standards and the training will be geared towards the needs of archival institutions. This session will also be tailored to the content management systems in use by attendees, so whether you use CONTENTdm, PastPerfect, or another content management system, facilitators will provide tools to help you unveil your archives to the world.

The day will include the following:

- Introduction to DPLA and Indiana Service Hub
- Understanding IM DPLA metadata documentation

records from Albemarle County, Virginia.

[Chronicling America: Historic American Newspapers](#) allows you to search and view U.S. newspaper pages from 1836-1922, plus it is totally free to access.

[Dictionary of American Regional English \(DARE\)](#) will help you figure out the meanings and origins of local vocabulary and phrases.

[The Papers of the War Department 1784 to 1800](#) collection unites copies of the lost files of the War Department into a digital archive, reassembling this invaluable historical resource about the early federal government.

The National Park Service hosts a database, [The Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System \(CWSS\)](#), which contains information about the men who served in the Union and Confederate armies during the Civil War. Other information on the site includes histories of regiments, battles, Medals of Honor recipients, war monuments, selected prisoner-of-war records, and National Cemetery records.

Make sure to check out [state libraries](#), [public libraries](#), [state archives](#), and other [organizations](#) to find Family History Month events and unique resources near you. Happy family history trails to you!

Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

- Using CONTENTdm mapping recommendations
- Using IM DPLA Metadata Mapping Tool
- Understanding copyright and DPLA
- Other tools available to help with metadata

To enable a hands-on experience, participants will be encouraged to bring sample datasets (spreadsheets, for example) and credentials for accessing their content management systems online enabling them to examine mapping options and export data for testing with mapping tools. Participants will work in homogeneous groups to discuss and come up with answers together.

When: Friday, October 28, 2016

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Where: Hodge Hall at Indiana University (Bloomington, Indiana)

Cost: \$25 for student members, \$35 for individual/institutional/retired/volunteer members, \$55 for non-members (includes a light breakfast and beverages)

Registration: To register for this workshop, please visit the event page by clicking [here](#).

For specifics about the schedule, location and parking click [here](#).

[Evergreen Indiana Regional Roundtable - Southeast Indiana](#)

When: Thursday, October 20, 2016, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Where: Jackson County Public Library

[Evergreen Indiana Regional Roundtable - Central Indiana](#)

When: Friday, October 21, 2016, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

[ISL Genealogy & Local History Fair](#)

When: Saturday, October 22, 2016, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Where: Indiana State Library

[Get Gaming in your Library](#)

When: Tuesday, October 25, 2016, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Where: Webinar

[Welcome to WorkOne](#)

When: Wednesday, October 26, 2016, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Where: Webinar

[Human Resource Training](#)

When: October 27, 2016, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Where: Indiana State Library

[Evergreen Indiana Regional Roundtable - Southwest Indiana](#)

When: Friday, October 28, 2016, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Where: Spencer County Public Library

[Society of Indiana Archivists 2016 Fall Workshop](#)

When: October 28, 2016, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Where: Hodge Hall at Indiana University (Bloomington, Indiana)

[Bookkeeping Annual Report Workshop](#)

When: Wednesday, November 2, 2016, 10:30 am - 4:00 pm
Where: Indiana State Library, or Webinar

		<p>ILF Annual Conference When: November 9-10 Where: Indianapolis Marriott East</p> <p>Bookkeeping Annual Report Workshop When: Wednesday, November 15, 2016, 10:30 am - 4:00 pm Where: Indiana State Library, or Webinar</p> <p>Spreading the Word: Taking Early Literacy messages to the Street When: November 17, 2016, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Where: Webinar</p>
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