

Indianhead Federated Library System

Newsflashes

A Newsletter for library professionals in west-central Wisconsin.

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1. IFLS News

Please join me in congratulating **Geraldine Anderson** for being awarded the Wisconsin Library Association's 2016 Trustee of the Year. Geraldine has been an integral advocate for the **Dresser Library** for over 40 years! If you would like to send her a card or note, please send it directly to the library.

Turtle Lake Public Library moved into their new facility and officially opened their doors on September 6, 2016 at 301 Maple St., Turtle Lake. With all the amazing help they were able to move over 17,000 materials in one day!

Website: http://www.turtlelakepubliclibrary.org/

Shared Services at IFLS welcomes two new staff members: **Michele Stellick** and **Sadie Falter**! Both Michele and Sadie handle materials processing for Shared Service participants.



2. On the Road with John



This month's article is taking a bit of a detour from my normal road trip. This year I have been an active participate in the Public Library System Redesign (PLSR) process as a member and chair of the Steering Committee for the process. Much of the "travel" for this process has been in the form of virtual meetings but several in-person informational opportunities will be available at the upcoming Wisconsin Library Association Conference in Milwaukee. PLSR workgroups http://www.plsr.info/workgroups/ will have information tables at the conference which will be staffed during exhibit non-conflict times to

allow attendees an opportunity to hear about the workgroups' models and provide feedback from the library community. Also, a program entitled **A Conversation with the PLSR Steering Committee** will be held on Wednesday October 26th at 4:15 pm.

For those unable to attend the conference, feedback or questions can also be shared virtually http://www.plsr.info/contact/ or visit the PLSR website http://www.plsr.info/ for additional information.

3. Libraries Love Their Communities

The Barron Public Library did some serious weeding of picture books last year in order to rearrange their collection and make more room for play in the children's room. What to do with all those weeded books? They decided to get them into the hands of kids.

Miss Patti adapted a wagon, which she takes with her to the school, the farmer's market, and other events to give them away to kids. If a child comes in with a blocked card due to fines, they offer them a chance to take a few books home with them from that collection.

Be sure to let IFLS know how YOUR library loves its community!

(Leah Langby – Library Development and Youth Services Coordinator)

4. Engaging With Your Community

In 2017, IFLS is launching a program to help libraries engage more effectively with their communities.

Libraries will apply to participate, and IFLS staff will select projects based on:

- * Overall merit
- * Feasibility within the time frame
- * Evidence of organizational support
- * Fit with the concept of community engagement
- * Long-term impact
- * Scalability to other locations and situations

<u>See here</u> for additional information about the program and information on how to submit a program application.

Check out the recent webinar on Tools for Planning and Community Engagement.

5. Libraries 2016 - Pew Research Center

"Most Americans view public libraries as important parts of their communities, with a majority reporting that libraries have the resources they need and play at least some role in helping them decide what information they can trust."

"The 2016 survey shows that, within the context of evolving <u>library usage patterns</u>, public attitudes are largely positive about the library's role in communities. Many Americans are interested in libraries offering a range of services – including those that help people improve their digital skills and learn how to determine what information is trustworthy. People think that libraries are a major contributor to their communities in providing a safe place to spend time, creating educational opportunities for people of all ages, and sparking creativity among young people."

To read more from the Pew report http://www.pewinternet.org/2016/09/09/libraries-2016/

6. Featured Database: Your NoveList Choices



Need help with reader's advisory services, finding the next book in a series or a book discussion guide? Do you want to promote books with a read-alike booklist or print out a read-alike flyer/bookmark? Do you have patrons looking to find what to read next, an audiobook recommendation, a list of read-alike YA titles or cowboy romances? IFLS area libraries and their patrons have a range of

NoveList database choices to find the answers to these questions and more.

NoveList and NoveList K-8, available through BadgerLink, are a great choice for fiction reviews, lists and recommendations. **NoveList Plus**, a database purchased by IFLS, enhances NoveList with the addition of non-fiction as well as audiobook reviews and recommendations. If you or your patron is looking to find a great listening experience – whether that means short, long, for the whole family, a specific narrator – this database can provide lots of suggestions. Sound clips are included so you can get a preview.

NoveList and NoveList Plus have great Keeping up with Genre pages which include RA articles, book lists and a printable bookmark or flyer. On the YA Lit page, there's a recommended reads list For Fans of...Hamilton; and the Romance page has a printable flyer titled A Host of Highlanders. Each of the NoveList databases contain the shelf status with links to the MORE catalog if the book is owned by a MORE library.

Plus, the MORE consortium has purchased NoveList Select which adds information from NoveList into the MORE catalog. For example, if you look up a popular title in MORE, scroll down to find as applicable other Books in the Series; suggestions for read-alike series, titles and authors; appeal terms for the "feel" of the book; recommended lists & articles if available; plus a link to reader reviews from Goodreads. If your patron is on a long hold list for a particular title, use this NoveList information to find a read-alike choice which is currently available.

The NoveList databases also have a Reader's Advisory Toolbox section with genre overviews, book display ideas, and tips for book clubs. You can also subscribe to

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I subscribe to the NoveList News which had an article on how to find ready-to-print flyers, bookmarks, and posters available within the database. Here's a link to the article on how to find that content: https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/NoveList Products/Databases/FAQs/printables in NoveList

The EBSCO site does include a NoveList Promotion Kit with printable bookmarks and flyers at https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/NoveList Products/Databases/TrainingPromotion/NoveList Promotion Kit

I've included the backside of the NoveList Plus bookmark in this article.

If you have any questions about accessing or using these NoveList databases, please let me know.

(Maureen Welch, IFLS Reference & ILL Coordinator)

7. Popular Magazines Available From BadgerLink

Libraries in Wisconsin were <u>recently notified</u> that OverDrive's magazine access ends in October. Did you know that many of these popular magazines are still available to your patrons from EBSCO, provided through BadgerLink?



BadgerLink staff have prepared this list of popular magazines available through EBSCO, which includes many of the affected titles. We will continue to keep this resource up to date as availability changes. BadgerLink resources are available to Wisconsin residents 24 hours a day using a Wisconsin public library card number on our login page.

You can link to EBSCO or any of our resources directly from your library's website using our list of <u>authenticated URLs</u>. Please <u>contact the BadgerLink team</u> for any assistance, and <u>subscribe to our email lists</u> for BadgerLink updates and training reminders.

Written by: Ben Miller, Resources for Libraries & Lifelong Learning

(WI Libraries for Everyone – 10/5/16)

8. To Chat or Not to Chat

At the Collection Development workshop in early October, a question came up about engaging patrons in conversation about the materials they are checking out.

Some people felt it was friendly to comment on materials and connect with patrons about shared interests and tastes. However, others made a strong argument in favor of privacy. Even if you are only commenting on what you perceive to be non-controversial titles, some people really value their privacy, and would rather not feel that there is so much notice taken of their choices—sensitive or not. Someone else pointed out that a lack of a comment for someone who is checking out something more sensitive might unintentionally indicate judgment, especially if everyone else in line gets a comment for their materials. The general thought was that it is a great idea to engage in conversation about materials, but only *after* the patron initiates it. This is supported by the <u>ALA Privacy Toolkit</u>.

If it seems awkward or unfriendly not to bring up patrons' materials as a topic, try some other conversation-starters: an upcoming library program, a new display, or something going on in the community (school sports teams, road construction, the upcoming community theater production, the park's new benches).

9. Big Library Read



The next <u>Big Library Read</u> will be kicking off October 13, and the YA title chosen in our survey by readers, librarians and teachers is *This is Where it Ends* <u>by</u> <u>Marieke Nijkamp</u>. Told from four perspectives over the course of 54 harrowing minutes, the students of a fictional high school (Opportunity High) struggle to both survive and understand why one boy started shooting at 10:00 am. *This is Where it Ends* is a #1 New York Times bestseller, a Publishers Weekly Bestseller, a Barnes and Noble Top Pick and an ABC Best Book for young readers.

In *This is Where it Ends*, which easily won the popular vote of thousands of readers and librarians, Marieke provides a unique look into what it's like to experience a school shooting through the eyes of students who are living through it in real time. Though a work of fiction, this powerful story is more poignant today than ever as a gun is fired on a school campus nearly once a week in the United States alone. The subject of school violence, though difficult at times, is one that students and parents alike need to be aware of in today's society. *This is Where it Ends* confronts this subject realistically but without graphic depictions of the violence the students experience.

The Big Library Read program was created as a global reading experience, providing a platform for readers around the world to connect and discuss important topics. Reading and discussing *This is Where it Ends* creates a perfect opportunity for your parents, teachers, students and readers of all ages to approach a difficult subject.

In addition to providing a <u>discussion board</u>, we'll also have a second <u>podcast</u> episode with the author, where she will provide her thoughts on writing *This is Where it Ends*, violence in schools, the importance of diversity in literature and much more.

10. Library-focused Free Webinars and Write-ups





WebJunction has new library-focused free webinar recordings and write-ups ready for you! If you are a rural library director or are interested in what it takes to lead a small/rural library, <u>peruse the webinar write-up</u> and then watch the webinar recording for <u>Beyond the Job Description: Ten Practical Tips for the Rural Library Director</u> recently presented by Jennifer Pearson, Director, Marshall County Memorial Library (TN).

Has your library thought about expanding support for entrepreneurs in your community? Then we highly recommend <u>taking a look at the write-up</u> for the webinar <u>Support Small Business Development at Your Library</u> and watching the webinar recording. Laura Metzler, Small Business Information Librarian, Cecil County Public Library (MD), gave great advice, practical tips and concrete examples of ways libraries of any size can support entrepreneurs.

WebJunction Experience: Webinars

Want to know more about WebJunction webinars and how to maximize your viewing experience? Then you'll want to <u>read this article</u> about just that.

(WebJunction – Crossroads 9-21-16)

11. Workshops and Webinars

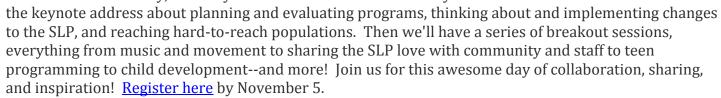
The IFLS website Continuing Education section includes past IFLS webinar recordings, handouts from workshops, and other CE opportunities. https://www.iflsweb.org/events.

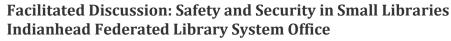
IFLS-SPONSORED CE OPPORTUNITIES:

SLP and Youth Services Mini-Conference L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library – Eau Claire

Friday, November 11, 2016 - 9:30 am

The most popular workshop of the year! Holly Storck-Post, currently at the Madison Public Library, formerly from the Monroe Public Library will deliver





Friday, November 18, 2016 - 1:00 pm

Join your colleagues for a discussion about how you handle safety and security in your library, and how you work around times when the library is staffed very lightly. This discussion will be informal, but will lead to more training and resources in the coming year.



12. Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, October 18	Maker Kit Fair - Minocqua
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	Maker Kit Fair - Wausau
Friday, November 4	10:00 am – MORE Executive Committee Meeting
Iltriday November II	9:30 am SLP and Youth Services Mini-Conference @ L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library – Eau Claire
Wednesday, November 16	12:30 pm – IFLS Board of Trustees Meeting
Iltriday November 18	1:00 pm – Facilitated Discussion: Safety and Security in Small Libraries @ IFLS

For more calendar information visit http://www.ifls.lib.wi.us