

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, September 30, 2014
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E-Rate

- There have been a number of changes to the federal E-Rate Program. State E-Rate Coordinator, Lorrie Germann, will be offering a variety of workshops for public library staff to assist them in understanding the changes and in filling out a successful E-Rate application. See the following for locations and registration information:
 - November 3 - [SWON in-person session](#)
 - November 10 - [Live webinar \(provided courtesy of OLC\)](#) and [State Library of Ohio in-person session](#)
 - November 13 - [NORWELD in-person session](#)
 - November 18 - [SERLS in-person session](#)
 - November 20 - [NEO in-person session](#)
- An FAQ on the changes to E-Rate was prepared by Mandy Knapp and is available at <http://oplin.org/eratechanges>.

Guiding Ohio Online

- The State Library has been awarded a 2014 Ohio AmeriCorps Formula Grant in the amount of \$265,589 by ServeOhio, the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism. The funding will be used to implement the Guiding Ohio Online project.
- Guiding Ohio Online will engage AmeriCorps members to perform training sessions, hands-on help, and other services to fulfill the vision of every Ohioan being able to fully participate in e-government, search for jobs online, understand the risks and benefits to internet finance, connect with family online, and protect personal information in the digital age. Guiding Ohio Online will target populations in rural Ohio, resulting in enhanced digital skills. More information on the project can be found at <http://guidingohionline.org/>.
- Thirty public libraries are hosting an AmeriCorps member and these libraries have been selected through a competitive application process. Members will begin their 11-month term of service on October 1, 2014. The recruitment and selection of AmeriCorps members is still in process. Site supervisor trainings began on September 1 and member training is scheduled for October 1-3.
- Questions should be addressed to Mandy Knapp, aknapp@library.ohio.gov.

LSTA

- The application period for competitive grants for Literacy Initiatives closed on September 29. Fourteen applications were received.
- Applications will now be reviewed by a panel of peer reviewers as well as State Library staff. Recommended applications will be presented for funding at the State Library Board meeting on December 9, 2014, and funded projects will begin January 1, 2015.
- Questions on LSTA should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

List of New Acquisitions

- New titles can be found at <http://library.ohio.gov/marketing/Residents/RecentAdditionstoCollection/SLOBooksSept2014>.

The vision of the State Library of Ohio is a Smarter Ohio where every Ohioan can access the necessary resources to be engaged citizens, excel at their jobs, participate in the workforce, and pursue their passions and interests.

Ohio Connecting to Collections

- The Ohio Connecting to Collections planning team has finalized the Fall 2014 workshop schedule. On October 21, Jeremy Linden, Senior Preservation Environmental Specialist at the Image Permanence Institute, will conduct a one-day event at the State Library entitled, "Sustainable Preservation Practices: A Partnership of Facilities and Collections Care Staff." Registration is available at <http://library.ohio.gov/sustainable-preservation-practices-partnership-facilities-and-collections-care-staff>.
- Five regional workshops will be held in November. The morning session, a lecture format, will focus on environmental controls and monitoring. The afternoon portion will be a hands-on session conducted by the Ohio Preservation Council. This session will focus on immediate disaster response and resources for the next level of recovery. Dates and locations have been announced:
 - November 5 John & Christine Warner Library, OSU-Newark
 - November 7 South Patterson Building, University of Dayton
 - November 13 Bowling Green State University at Levis Commons (Perrysburg)
 - November 18 Public Library of Akron and Summit County
 - November 21 Kennedy Museum of Art, Ohio University, Athens
- Registration for the regional workshops is available at <http://library.ohio.gov/event/2014/11/04/month/all/all/1>. Participants have the option of registering for one session or both sessions at each workshop.
- Questions on Connecting to Collections should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Summer Reading Program

- The Ohio Summer Reading Program Evaluation survey is being held open at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/srpeval2014> until all Ohio public libraries submit their report on their summer reading programs. If your library has not submitted a survey, please do so at your earliest opportunity. The information you will provide is of great value. Your participation assists the State Library, Regional Library Systems, cooperating state agencies, and the Collaborative Summer Library Program to provide helpful resources and support for future SRPs, and to communicate the impact of library SRPs statewide.
- The 2015 Collaborative Summer Library Program manuals are being shipped from the printer in late September or early October. When they are received at the State Library, they will be repacked and shipped to all 251 public library systems. Libraries should receive their manuals by late October. The themes for the 2015 CSLP are **Every Hero Has a Story** (children's/early literacy); **Unmask** (teens); and **Escape the Ordinary** (adults).
- Questions and information on Summer Reading can be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Take Five

- Planning has begun for the 4th annual [Take 5](#) event, to be held in Cincinnati in April 2015. Date and location will be finalized shortly, and registration will be announced on various Ohio library listservs. You may also e-mail Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov to get updates about Take 5, or follow the [Take 5 Facebook page](#). Take 5 is an annual event and an ongoing dialogue on new ideas and creative approaches for people who work with teens and youth in libraries, museums, arts organizations, and other learning environments. The event takes place at a different Ohio location each spring.

Staff

- The Associate State Librarian for Library Services interview panel spoke with several distinguished candidates for the vacant position. The interview panel continues to work through the recruiting process.

Training & Presentations

- On September 8, Janet Ingraham Dwyer led Ohio Ready to Read's [Early Literacy 101 workshop](#) at the Tipp City Public Library for children's services staff from six libraries in western Ohio.