

Happy National Library Week! Today in EYE-OPENER April 11, 2016

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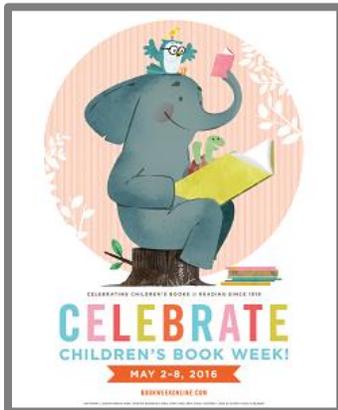
**1) “Here’s To Your Health” Webinar Series:** At Iowa Library Services, we’ve put together a 3-part webinar series on health and wellness topics. With *Employee Health & Fitness Month* in May, *Men’s Health Month* in June, and this year’s Summer Reading theme all about healthy kids, these webinars offer plenty of resources to move you into a

healthier groove! These begin in late April and continue in May and June. Register for one, two, or all three in the c.e. catalog <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/cgi-bin/cecat/> Here’s a summary of what’s included in each session:

**April 26** (1:30-2:30PM) **De-Stressing Your Job & Life.** “...You won't often see “librarian” noted on lists of stress-filled occupations. However, as much as we love working in a library, we know the job is not without stress. In this session, we'll review some of the causes of stress as well as provide simple yet effective ways to help reduce stress on the job and in your personal life...”

**May 25** (10:00-11:30AM) **Serving Mentally-Challenged Library Users: A Crash Course on Controlling Clashes** “...Patrons who show signs of mental illness can be confusing and upsetting to the toughest and most seasoned among us. This webinar will increase your understanding of mental illness, help you protect staff and patrons in rare instances of possible violence, and show you how to locate possible resources to lean on when necessary...”

**June 2** (10:00-11:00AM) **Introduction to Free Health Information Resources.** “...June is recognized as Men's Health Month, so what better time to learn more about free health resources online. Chris Childs with the University of Iowa's Hardin Library leads this webinar, showcasing a variety of websites from the National Library of Medicine. Attendees will be introduced to wellness resources that cover genetics, environmental health, and toxicology awareness for adults and children. All freely available online and all great resources to share with your community.



**2) Children's Book Week May 2-8, 2016:** This is National Library Week, the premier annual recognition of libraries and their contributions to community vitality. Keep the celebration going by participating in another recognition week **May 2-8** when libraries across the country will celebrate **Children's Book Week**.

For 97 years, **Children's Book Week** has been an annual celebration of books for young people and finding joy in reading. Established in 1919, **Children's Book Week** is the longest-running national literacy initiative in the country. Every year, commemorative events are held nationwide at schools, libraries, bookstores, and homes—wherever young readers and books connect.

**Children's Book Week** is administered by [Every Child A Reader](#), a 501(c)(3) literacy organization dedicated to instilling a lifelong love of reading in children. The [Children's Book Council](#), the national non-profit trade association for children's book publishers, is an anchor sponsor.

Each year, the Children's Book Council enlists popular children's book illustrators to design the commemorative **Children's Book Week** poster and bookmark. At this website, you can download the winning 2016 poster by Brian Won and bookmark by Cece Bell. You'll also find digital items to add to your websites, flyers, press releases, and teacher resources. Let us know how you'll celebrate **Children's Book Week 2016 @ your library** 😊

**3) Enrich Iowa Letters of Agreement Due April 30:** Libraries intending to participate in **Enrich Iowa** for **FY2017** must submit an "**Enrich Iowa Letter of Agreement**" by April 30.

Remember Enrich Iowa comprises 3 distinct programs:

- Open Access
- Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement
- Direct State Aid



On this webpage <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia> find all the **Enrich Iowa** documentation needed, including the **Letter of Agreement** as well as a listing of the libraries that submit agreements; you're welcome to check back to confirm that your library's agreement has arrived 😊 Here's a summary of what to do:

- Print a copy of the **Enrich Iowa Agreement** and mark all the boxes to indicate your library's participation. This is an important step, don't leave blank boxes! (note: only public libraries are eligible to participate in Direct State Aid...)

- Sign the **Enrich Iowa Letter of Agreement**; use the library director's signature or other signatory authority
- Send the **E.I. Agreement** to Iowa Library Services - Des Moines Office by U.S. mail or fax (515-281-6191) or scan it and e-mail it to Toni Blair [toni.blair@lib.state.ia.us](mailto:toni.blair@lib.state.ia.us)
- **E.I. Agreement** must be received at the Iowa Library Services - Des Moines office by **April 30, 2016.**

It's worth mentioning that, even if your library **does not itself** serve *Open Access* patrons, you still need to check that box on the **Enrich Iowa** form. Because checking the *Open Access* box ensures that the libraries providing service **to your patrons** can be reimbursed for doing so through this program. Here's a direct link to the Enrich Iowa Letter of Agreement <http://www.statelibraryofiaowa.org/go/ei/#FY17Agreements>

**Call District Office staff or Des Moines staff with questions...**



**4) EBSCOHost Training in May:** Coming in May, Iowa Library Services is sponsoring more opportunities to learn more about EBSCO. Lisa Dennis, a national trainer for the EBSCO corporation, will conduct face-to-face classes around the state for Iowa library directors and staff. Attendees will learn how to search EBSCO more effectively and how to market this product to your community.

EBSCOhost is a comprehensive reference database with full text magazines and journals not accessible on the open web. Iowa's subscription includes company profiles, newspapers, images and maps, Funk & Wagnalls Encyclopedia, plus literally thousands of magazines and journals. There are dozens of children's magazines as well as popular newsstand titles like *Smithsonian*, *Golf World*, *Good Housekeeping*, and *Consumer Reports*. In addition, library staff can enjoy reading *Library Journal*, *American Libraries*, *School Library Journal*, and many more.

EBSCOhost can be accessed in the library, at school, at work, or at home 24/7, either through a mobile interface or through any Internet browser. EBSCOhost is available to all Iowa public libraries for a small yearly fee: \$25.00 plus five cents per capita (population figures from the 2010 U.S. Census)

These EBSCO classes will be a good chance to better acquaint staff with all that EBSCO has to offer so they, in turn, can better promote this product to library patrons. **Northwest's session** lands on **Wednesday May 18 at Lake City Public Library**; to see all dates and locations statewide check the c.e. catalog and register for the site nearest you <http://www.statelibraryofiaowa.org/cgi-bin/cecat/index.cgi>

**5) Meetings / Events This Week:** I'll join Schaller PL board meeting Monday evening for a discussion of library budget & finance. And Lake View PL board on Tuesday evening with an orientation for new trustees

**Thursday April 14** brings a webinar titled *"Disaster Planning For Libraries."* Learn how to develop a brief but effective emergency preparedness plan for the library to use in times of disasters large or small. Nancy Kraft with the University of Iowa libraries leads this webinar, **1:30-2:30PM—note registration deadline is tomorrow.**

Find an assortment of national webinars in April at this link, registration details there too <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/c-d/continuing-ed/other-conted>

**April 12.** 1:00-2:00PM. *Measuring Success: How to Strategically Assess Your Program* sponsored by Volunteer Match <http://learn.volunteermatch.org/>

**April 12.** 1:00-2:00PM. *Great Middle-Grade Reads* sponsored by Booklist <http://www.booklistonline.com/webinars>

**April 13.** 10:00-11:00AM. *Innovation on a Shoestring: Free & Cheap Tools* sponsored by Nebraska Library Commission <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/scripts/calendar/eventlist.asp?Mode=ALL>

**April 13.** 12:00-1:00PM. *The Nuts and Bolts of Creating an Engaging Training Program* sponsored by Training Magazine Network <http://www.trainingmagnetwork.com/calendar>

**April 13.** 1:00-2:00PM. *Libraries & Museums Serving Free Summer Meals* sponsored by U.S. Dept. of Agriculture <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=n2ltg4m34c1p>



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