

Good Morning! Today in EYE-OPENER July 27, 2015

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1) Roundtables Around the State: Face-to-face roundtable discussions about beginning in August and stretching into fall. Sponsored by Iowa Library Services, we'll start with Interlibrary Loan Roundtables in several locations statewide. Northwest's session is scheduled for August 31st at Storm Lake Public Library (10:00AM-12:00PM)

This ILL Roundtable is an opportunity for library staff members responsible for interlibrary loan activities to network with other ILL staff members. Topics to be discussed will include but not be limited to current state of SILO, standard ILL procedures, delivery options, and keeping current. Registration is open in the c.e.catalog <http://www.statelibraryofiaowa.org/cgi-bin/cecat/index.cgi>

Roundtables continue in the fall with programs intended for library directors. This fall, **Director Roundtables** take up this topic with “**Facilitating Feedback.**” How do you find out what your patrons like—or dislike? How do you solicit staff input? How do you learn what your county colleagues would like to pursue? Surveys are one way, but there are other good techniques to receive feedback. With these roundtables, District Consultants will share material from recent facilitation training for ourselves, including techniques for

- ✓ getting feedback from groups
- ✓ prioritizing choices
- ✓ getting input for planning purposes

These techniques can be especially useful for libraries that have already done *Planning For Results* but now need to update their plan without doing the entire *PFR* process again. We'll give a nod to good-bad survey questions and also look at some online tools for getting feedback.

Director Roundtables are not yet open for registration, but will be soon. Note that Northwest dates and locations are confirmed—protect your calendars and make plans to attend at whichever date is most convenient for you (9:30AM-12:30PM)

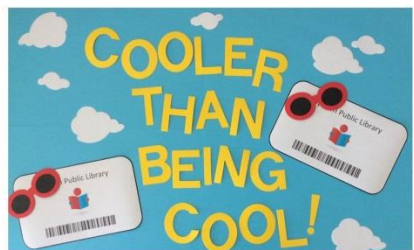
- **October 2 @ Wall Lake PL**
- **October 23 @ Arnolds Park PL**
- **October 30 @ Hawarden PL**



2) Summer Teen Online Conference: Youth services staff are encouraged to attend the **SummerTeen Online Conference** on **August 13**. Sponsored by **School Library Journal**, this event is a free, all-day online conference—no traveling, no cost! The conference starts at 10:00AM CST.

From the conference website: *"...It's a must for teen and young adult services librarians, and educators from public and school library settings, as well as teen advisory groups, book clubs, and anyone who loves YA/teen literature. Panels will focus on important teen issues and trends, including selecting quality nonfiction, navigating romance genre mashups, and upcoming YA titles. New this year are sessions dedicated entirely to teen services and programming. Learn from innovative librarians about gaming in the library, setting up teen volunteer groups, and launching a "Con" @ your library..."*

Read more about this year's **SummerTeen Conference** here <http://www.slj.com/summerteen/> And enjoy more news at **School Library Journal's** website. Thanks to Merri Monks for sending this story our way!



3) New Bulletin Board For Library Card Sign-Up Month:

September is **National Library Card Sign-Up Month**. And with a little advance planning, you can be ready with a new bulletin board to help promote this recognition week at your library. Sue Gruber with Southwest District has designed a bulletin board—shown at left—that can be yours simply by filling out this online order form

<http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/c-d/diecuts> Be sure to type **"Cooler Than Being Cool"** in the comments box on

the form and we'll take it from there. Ordering early will help ensure that the bulletin board shapes arrive in plenty of time.

National Library Card Sign-Up Month is sponsored by the American Library Association; its intention is to remind parents, teachers, and children that a library card is the most important school supply of all. This year, Snoop is the Honorary Chair. You'll find sample press releases, PSAs, posters, and plenty of logos for your website and promo purposes here <http://www.ala.org/conferenceevents/celebrationweeks/card>

Make plans now for **National Library Card Sign-Up Month @ Your Library!**



4) 25th Anniversary of the ADA: The Americans With Disabilities Act—commonly known as the ADA—reached a milestone 25th anniversary this year. In July 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed the ADA into law, guaranteeing disabled persons equal access to public venues, commercial buildings, public transportation, as well as equal employment opportunities. This landmark legislation also mandated the establishment of TDD / telephone relay services for deaf Americans.

The ADA website www.ada.gov maintains a wealth of resources to help people understand the scope of this legislation. For public libraries, which are subdivisions of their city governments, this is an important website to know about. Among the many materials are

- ✓ Frequently Asked Questions About Service Animals
- ✓ Solutions for Common ADA Access Problems at Polling Places
- ✓ A Primer for Local & State Governments
- ✓ Accessible Public Pools
- ✓ A Guide for Small Towns

To celebrate the 25-year anniversary of the ADA enactment, Iowa's State Data Center has updated the **lowans with Disabilities** profile. From Gary Krob, Coordinator of the State Data Center Program *"... This printable brochure contains information about persons with disabilities living in Iowa, including statistics from the 2013 American Community Survey regarding population, income, poverty, business, jobs, housing, and education. Find a brochure in PDF format here <http://www.iowadatatcenter.org/Publications/disabilities2015.pdf...>"*

Iowa Senator Tom Harkin was instrumental in the development and passage of the ADA. Combine that with Iowa's State Data Center Resources and this 25th anniversary offers a ready promotion @ your libraries.

5) Meetings / Events This Week: Catch an important webinar this **Thursday July 30** (9:30-11:00AM) titled **"Intellectual Freedom: Censorship, Filtering, Confidentiality."** Here's more: *"Intellectual Freedom. It's a term we use and say we value in libraries, but what exactly does it mean in practical terms? Learn how censorship and violations of confidentiality can sneak into libraries unaware, and understand how filtering may affect your library's commitment to intellectual freedom. Ethical, legal and practical information will be shared..."* Still time to register in the c.e. catalog <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/cgi-bin/cecat/>

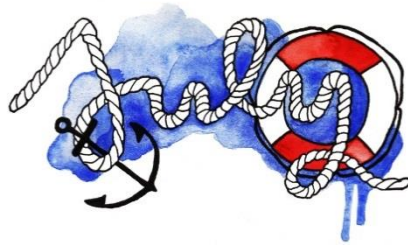
One last reminder: **Enrich Iowa Reports** are due this **Friday July 31**. For instructions, refer to this page on our website <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia> ... OR previous issues of *Monday Morning Eye Opener* ... OR call with questions ☺

A few remaining national webinars yet this month, find registration and other details here
<http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/c-d/continuing-ed/other-conted>

July 28. 11:00AM-12:00PM. *Data Inclusiveness Benefits for All* sponsored by O'Reilly
<http://www.oreilly.com/webcasts/>

July 29. 1:00-2:00PM. *Crowdfunding for Libraries: Technology Tips for Futuristic Fundraising*
sponsored by TechSoup <https://cc.readytalk.com/r/7o9ix9scg52m&eom>

July 29. 1:00-2:00PM. *Open Educational Resources: Librarians as Advocates, Advisors, and Creators* sponsored by Georgia Library Association
http://gla.georgialibraries.org/mediawiki/index.php/Carterette_Series_Webinars



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