



Monday Morning Eye-Opener February 26, 2018

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Good Morning! February 26, 2018

Summer Library Program Roundtables ...

Begin Rockin' Next Week!

Following January webinars, when State Library staff previewed the **SLP** (Summer Library Program) manuals, we're now prepping for **SLP**

Roundtables. These in-person roundtables **begin March 6** and will happen in **six locations**. This sets up a great opportunity to share summer programming ideas and possibly share the cost of summer performers with nearby libraries in attendance.



The **summer theme for 2018 is "Libraries Rock."** The same theme holds true for all four age groups—early literacy, children, teens, and adults. **SLP Roundtables** will include discussions, sample crafts as described in the manual, book displays that connect with the theme, as well as drawings for door prizes. You are asked to bring your preliminary summer plans to share with the group.

SLP Roundtables begin **March 6** and continue through **March 29. 10:00AM-1:00PM** in each location. Each age group discussion will be 45 minutes, starting with early literacy, followed by children, teens, and adults. Find the location nearest you in the C.E. Catalog. Registration is open, make plans to join us!

[C.E. Catalog](#)

BRIDGES Renewal



March 31 For Current & New Subscribers

By late March, all Iowa libraries that are current subscribers to the **BRIDGES eBook service**

need to renew their participation. By **March 31**, current **BRIDGES** libraries need to complete and return a **Letter of Agreement** to ensure ongoing access through this consortium. Eunice Riesberg with Northeast District writes these instructions to renew:

- 1) Access the Letter of Agreement on the BRIDGES webpage here <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/c-d/download>
- 2) From the left-hand menu, choose "Membership Documents"
- 3) Choose **BRIDGES Renewal Letter of Agreement FY 2019**
- 4) Complete the form and return it to the address located at the bottom of the form. **DEADLINE for receipt of the agreement is March 31, 2018**

Note that you will receive invoicing for your annual subscription in July. Please **DO NOT** send payment before you have your invoices and then follow instructions for issuing and mailing the checks.

Now...for libraries wanting to join **BRIDGES for the first time**, the due date is the same—**March 31**. In the first year, there is a one-time \$400.00 setup charge, in addition to the annual fee of \$300.00 plus .13cents per capita. **Pricing** for new subscribers, along with a **Letter of Agreement**, is posted on the State Library's website at the button below

Service for new **BRIDGES** subscribers is expected to begin by July 15. Again, new subscribers should **NOT** send any money now, please wait for invoices to arrive. Call the State Library with any questions...it's **BRIDGES** Time!

BRIDGES Info

Small Change ...

A Financial Literacy Course

The State Library is pleased to announce an important partnership with Iowa State University Extension. We are partnering to offer Iowa library staff a free course to gain personal finance knowledge, then subsequently create financial literacy programming at their libraries.

The course is titled ***Small Change: Building Financial Security***. This is a blended learning course (face-to-face and online classes) coming in April and open to anyone employed in an Iowa public library. Participants can earn 13 continuing education credits by:

- Attending a one day face-to-face workshop in one of four regional locations
- Completing at least 4 of 12 game-based learning modules covering financial topics
- Completing a plan for a library program based on financial literacy
- Participating in a wrap-up webinar



Participants who complete the course will also have the opportunity to select new personal finance resources to add to their library's collection, thanks to a grant from the FINRA Investor Education Foundation.

Small Change: Building Financial Security will give participants the ability to make more informed decisions about personal financial management. Increased skills and knowledge will allow librarians to help library patrons identify trusted personal finance resources. Research demonstrates a continued need to improve the financial literacy skills of all Iowans regardless of age or income.

How to Register

Participants can sign up for the entire course by registering for one of four face-to-face workshops being held in April across the state. Workshops are limited to 20 participants and run from 10:00AM-2:00PM. Lunch is included at no additional cost. Click the link on your preferred location below to register in the C.E. Catalog.

- [Tuesday April 10 in Carroll](#)
- [Tuesday April 17 in Johnston](#)
- [Thursday April 19 in Coralville](#)
- [Wednesday April 25 in Clear Lake](#)

Register now to secure your place in the program. For questions, contact Alysia Peich (alysia.peich@iowa.gov / 1-800-248-4483) Thanks to Alysia and Emily Bainter for this article.

This Week ...



Tomorrow (Tuesday) **February 27** kicks off the **2018 Boardroom** series with the first topic in the line-up "**Creating a Culture of Learning.**" All told, **The Boardroom** is a 9-part webinar series, with one session each month **February through October (6:00-7:30 each time)** Attending is an easy, convenient way for trustees to meet **Standard #8—the board education standard!**

Boardroom webinars are open for registration in the [C.E. Catalog](#) through May, remaining installments will be loaded in soon.

For libraries needing to renew their **accreditation**—or **submit a standards report** demonstrating Tiers 1-2 achievements—the deadline is this **Wednesday February 28**. Be sure to contact Scott Dermont (scott.dermont@iowa.gov) at the Des Moines office or your District office with any questions regarding the accreditation / standards renewal process.

Finally, the **Iowa Small Library Association Spring Meeting** is this **Friday March 2**. This happens online using ZOOM web conferencing software. The meeting runs from **9:30AM-12:00PM**, leading off with a business portion followed by a C.E. portion (Friends Groups and Volunteers being the c.e. topic) The cost is \$5.00 for ISLA members / \$10.00 for non-ISLA members / \$15.00 for non ILA-non ISLA members. Click the button for more info and the registration form.

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