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News from the CE Team



Happy Summer!

This season tends to be pretty quiet on the CE front since we know many of you are so busy with Summer Library programming, so I'll lead off today's newsletter with a note of gratitude for the libraries that hosted Director Roundtables this year. Over 215 library workers attended one of the 17 Roundtables held this year. We hope you found them valuable!

I attended 4 Roundtables and visited 6 libraries over the last couple of weeks. A few of photos I took are included in the link below. I **love** visiting libraries. If you want a gate-crasher at any of your summer events, shoot me a note! But beware: I may make a Kernel out of you :)

My best for a fun-filled summer where you can engage your library patrons with fun reading and programming!

Take care,
Samantha Bowers, CE Consultant

[Travels with Sam Pictures](#)

All Iowa Reads Reminder

2024
**ALL IOWA
 READS**
**Virtual
 Author Visits**
Register Now!

<i>The Seed Keeper</i>  DIANE WILSON June 11 at 6:30 p.m.	<i>Tumble</i>  CELIA C. PÉREZ June 12 at 2:00 p.m.	<i>Hollow Fires</i>  SAMIRA AHMED June 12 at 4:00 p.m.
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Coming up soon!

The three authors of the 2024 All Iowa Reads titles will appear in virtual visits this June. The visits are free and open to the public; registration is required. **These events are not offered for CE Credit.**

At each event, the author will be joined by a moderator to discuss their books, creative process, and hear questions from attendees. Attendees will have the option to submit a question ahead of time when registering, or may include a question in the chat during the event. Reading the author's All Iowa Reads title in advance is encouraged, but not required. The events will NOT be recorded.

The State Library is sponsoring these conversations to give all Iowans a chance to hear from the All Iowa Reads authors.

[Registration & More Information](#)

Additional Upcoming Events



FinTech?! Today's Best Practices to Help Older Patrons Stay Safe

Wednesday, June 26, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

FinTech (Financial Technology) may leave even the techiest among us with spinning heads - and it changes almost daily! Your patrons are likely experiencing this as well, especially older patrons. In this webinar, presented by financial educator Joanne Kuster (moneygodmotherblog.com), we'll cover three areas of interest to older adults trying to understand, use, and stay safe in the new FinTech world.

[More Information & Registration](#)

Lunch with the State Library (June 2024): Get Support & Stay Connected

Thursday, June 27, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Our final installment in the Lunch with the State Library series will largely feature the work of our outstanding Library Resource Technicians. These folks work hard (sometimes behind the scenes) to make sure the technology resources the State Library offers run as smoothly as possible. You'll hear about the work they do, and how they can help you interact with these resources. We'll close with a message from our Communications Specialist, Emily Bainter, about how to stay connected to the State Library and well informed on all of our goings-on!

[More Information & Registration](#)



Check it Out! (June 2024)

Tuesday, Jun. 25, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Check it Out! is a monthly webinar series from the State Library of Iowa spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Youth Services Consultant Janeé Jackson-Doering will share collection development tips, programming ideas, the best books to use for storytimes, and of course, new titles galore for kids and teens. This is a fun, fast-paced session that will fill both your library shelves and your TBR list!



[More Information & Registration](#)

Webinar Archive



View in IA Learns to access the evaluation & see the CE Hours on your transcript. Watch the whole recording, click next in the upper-right, and follow the prompts to get to the evaluation. Remember to type something in every field before hitting "Save."

[IA Learns Login](#)

If you don't track CE hours, or only want to view for informational purposes, you can also view recorded webinars on the State Library of Iowa CE Team YouTube Channel. Subscribe for alerts when new content is added!

[State Library CE YouTube Channel](#)

External CE Training Opportunities

The Maine State Library maintains a list of CE events going on around the country. It's a good place to browse if you're looking for hours, or something on a specific topic. Our thanks to our colleagues in Maine for compiling this list. Please confirm time zone when registering for an event



Nationwide CE Calendar

Watch a course from that list or another CE training offered by someone other than the State Library of Iowa? Please complete the "Request for External CE Form" within 45 days of participating in the training.

Request for External CE Credit

As of January 1, 2024, hours earned through WebJunction will be automatically applied to your IA Learns account. You can expect to see hours on your account on or near the 1st day of the following month. The completion date of your coursework in IA Learns will match your WebJunction certificate.

You do not need to fill out the Request for External CE Credit form for WebJunction content for any course. It will simply be added to your IA Learns transcript!



Browse the WebJunction Course Catalog

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