Institutional Library News
From the Indiana State Library

FALL WORKSHOP—LITERACY FOR ALL AGES

This year’s Fall Institutional Workshop will take place on Thursday, October 19 at the Indiana State Library. The theme will be “Literacy For All Ages”.

The morning speakers will be Dr. Margaret Gisler and Becca Lov- ing representing Literacy PLUS. (See Boot Camp article on p3.) The afternoon speakers will be Suzanne Smith, retired Indy Reads Volunteer and Joe Cooper, Motivational Speaker and former literacy student.

As with previous workshops, you are invited to begin your workshop day by “shopping” for free books at Half Price Books at 9:00 a.m. You may park at the Government parking garages with your state badge and enter the library by the 315 West Ohio Street door.

Registration includes lunch. The lunch period will be shorter than in the past.

The registration deadline is Thursday, October 12. Contact Marcia if you have questions.

Joe Cooper, Motivational Speaker, Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library employee

ACCESSIBLE WORKSTATIONS

Without assistive technology, persons with disabilities would find it extremely difficult to access the wealth of information available via the computer. Because everyone should have the opportunity to be able to access information found in libraries, the Indiana State Library and the Talking Book and Braille Library are helping to promote an exciting project sponsored by Easter Seals Crossroads.

For more information on this exciting project, please contact Mr. Wade Wingler, ATP, Manager of Assistive Technology, by phone at 1-888-466-1314 or via email at wwingler@eastersealscrossroads.org.

Submitted by Carole Rose Librarian Indiana State Library Talking Book and Braille Library
NEW BOOKS AT THE INDIANA STATE LIBRARY


Bromann, Jennifer. More Booktalking that works. Z718.5.B76 2005


Butler, Rebecca P. Copyright for Teachers and Librarians. KF2995.B88 2004


Thomas, Rebecca L. Popular Series Fiction for Middle School and Teen Readers: A Reading and Selection Guide. Z1037.T4655 2005


VISIT THE VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Mariani Fedele, Moderator, NIFL Technology and Literacy Discussion List has this to say about the Virtual School:

The International Classroom and School Virtual Visit Project at: http://www.otan.us/webfarm/emailproject/school.htm
is beginning its eighth year, linking classrooms across the world to enable students to meet each other virtually, share information about their cultures, their classrooms, and their communities, and to build cultural understanding. Classes can include English as a Second or Other Language (ESOL/ESL), Adult Basic Education (ABE, GED), elementary or secondary education, or family literacy. Students can be from age seven to adult.

As in past years, we hope classes will engage in lively written discussion, and possibly choose a film, book or current event to discuss. This year we have set up a free wiki, so classes don’t have to create their own web pages, and we will help teachers to use free Internet telephony so their classes can talk to each other if they can find a time that works to do that.

Join the discussion list at http://www.nifl.gov/lines/discussions/discussions.html

Borrow this book to promote literacy:

Developing Better Readers and Writers Using Caldecott Books by Kathryn I. Matthew.

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INSTITUTIONAL LIBRARY NEWS
Literacy PLUS looks forward to working with the correctional librarians. It is our mission to provide easily accessible literacy programs to homeless adults. Our teachers use an innovative one-on-one tutoring technique that garnered national awards for its creator when it was used in the corrections system.

Literacy PLUS is excited to launch a similar one-on-one tutoring program in the correctional facilities. The introduction of this literacy project, “Reading Boot Camp,” would enable offenders with low level literacy skills and enhance the social skills of the tutor. “Reading Boot Camp” is an intensive literacy program where learners participate in 30 hours of one-on-one tutoring. The purpose is to increase participants’ reading comprehension and fluency as well as their written communication skills.

The current literacy program of our organization has shown solid progress in helping the homeless gain literacy skills as indicated in the following table. Each learner has been assessed using the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) before each 30 hour session begins and upon its conclusion. Literacy PLUS would establish a similar curriculum to ensure participants experience literacy growth in the “Reading Boot Camp” program. For all learner-tutor pairs who make level gains Literacy PLUS will provide rewards.

“Reading Boot Camp” can be easily implemented into your library facility. Literacy PLUS provides all learning materials, which meet the safety standards of the correctional facility. Initially Literacy PLUS also sends in a tutor trainer along with an Indiana licensed teacher.

Literacy PLUS is excited to meet with you at the October library conference. We will be happy to answer all questions you may have. Until then please look at our website at literacyplus.org

Submitted by Dr. Margaret Gisler, Literacy PLUS Founder

More sites of interest:

Indiana Institute on Disability and Community:

http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/

For information about disability and the United Nations and the International Day of Disabled Persons (December 3) visit:


Becca Loving, Literacy PLUS

RESOURCES FOR DISABILITY AWARENESS

Find the Web page connected to the Linda Lucas Walling Collection of materials about and for children with disabilities at http://www.libsci.sc.edu/facst/walling/bestfolder.htm

There is a blog called Materials for Children with Disabilities. The Web address is http://materialsforchildren-withdisabilities.blogspot.com

The blog is where librarians, students, teachers, parents and others can share ideas and ask questions about materials and services for and about children with disabilities.

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Consider joining the Technology and Literacy Discussion list at http://www.nifl.gov/mailman/listinfo/Technology

Beginning Tuesday, September 19th through Friday, September 22nd, there will be a guest discussion on the Technology list on "Assistive Technology, Instructional Technology, and Universal Design Strategies for Adult Literacy" with guest facilitator Dr. Dave Edyburn of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

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Visit the Center for Applied Special Technology to learn more about Universal Design for Learning. http://www.cast.org/
FALL INSTITUTIONAL WORKSHOP

**Date:** Thursday, October 19, 2006  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. —-3:00 p.m.

Half Price Books: 55 S. State Avenue  
Indianapolis 46201

Indiana State Library  
140 N. Senate Avenue  Indianapolis 46204

_____ I will attend—$10 registration fee is included  
_____ I will attend—$10 registration fee is in the mail  
_____ I will not be able to attend

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**For visitations to nine Indiana Prisons** see the Use What You’ve Got Prison Ministries Keeping Families in Tact, Inc. website at:  
[http://www.usewhatyouvegotministry.org/index.html](http://www.usewhatyouvegotministry.org/index.html)

**Upcoming festivals in Indianapolis include:**

- Greek Festival Sept. 8-9 Holy Trinity Church, 4011 N. Pennsylvania Street
- Irish Fest Sept. 15-17 Military Park, West and New York Streets
- French Market Sept. 16 St. Joan of Arc, 4217 Central Avenue
- Fiesta Indianapolis

**Childcare and Early Education Research Connections:**  
[http://www.childcareresearch.org/discover/index.jsp](http://www.childcareresearch.org/discover/index.jsp)

If you are helping your students, offenders, or residents with research, don’t forget about INSPIRE. Using this link will help you search:  
[http://www.inspire.net/inspiresearchfaq.html](http://www.inspire.net/inspireresearchfaq.html)

**Literacy programs** that need books and materials to improve their reading, writing, and English-as-a-second-language services to adults and families are invited to submit grant applications to ProLiteracy Worldwide's National Book Scholarship Fund (NBSF), beginning in September. The deadline for grant applications is Dec. 7, 2006. Visit the NBSF Web site at [www.nbsf.org](http://www.nbsf.org) or contact Mara Roberts at mroberts@proliteracy.org

**OpenOffice.org** is a free, open source office suite similar to Microsoft Office.  

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**September 2006**

- Sept. 16 Veterans Memorial Plaza, American Legion Mall, North & Meridian Streets
- Middle Eastern Fest Sept. 22-24 St. George Orthodox Christian Church, 4020 Sherman Drive
- International Festival Nov. 2-5 Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1202 East 38 St.