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Three Indiana Libraries to Receive Indiana Authors Award Grants

Winners of the 2013 Indiana Authors Award have Indiana Authors Award nominated their local public library with Indiana \$2,500 grants courtesy of the Eugene & Marilyn Glick Family Foundation. National Award winner Michael Martone (Fort Wayne) won a \$10,000 cash prize; Dr. James Madison (Bloomington) won a \$7,500 cash prize as the Regional Author winner; and Mike Mullin (Indianapolis) won a \$5,000 cash prize as the Emerging Author winner.

In addition to their cash prizes, each winner selected a public library in Indiana to receive a \$2,500 grant:

- Michael Martone, Little Turtle Branch, Allen County Public Library
- James H. Madison, Monroe County Public Library
- Mike Mullin, The Indianapolis Public Library

At the Award Dinner, Marianne Glick announced that The Glick Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation, has renewed its financial support for the Indiana Authors Award for the next five years. The Glick Fund, in conjunction with The Indianapolis Public Library Foundation, has awarded winning authors a total of \$112,500 and the authors' hometown Indiana libraries have received \$40,000 in grants. This year's Award dinner and silent auction raised more than \$78,500 to support programs of The Indianapolis Public Library.

During the daytime Indy Author Fair events, more than 400 participants attended author panel discussions, writing workshops for children and adults and a book sales and signing event in Central Library's Simon Reading Room. The workshops were presented in partnership with The Indianapolis Public Library and the Indiana Writers Center.

View photos from the Indy Author Fair and Award Dinner and watch video interviews with the winning authors on the Indiana Authors Award website.

LibraryIndiana Renews Copy Paper Purchasing Program

Connect In LibraryIndiana invites public and academic libraries to participate in a demand aggregation event for copy paper. The event uses the current Central Indiana Education Service Center (CIESC) copy paper agreement with The Paper Corp. Over the last year, under the K12Indiana program, 60 participating schools and libraries realized up to 73% in savings.

Libraries that would like to be included in the demand aggregation event must provide the quantity they would like to order through the www.LibraryIndiana.com tool. Participation in this cooperative purchasing strategy is a commitment to buy. Therefore, participants will be required to purchase by the end of the agreement's term. Those orders will be aggregated into a large volume purchase to negotiate deeper discounts than already exist.

Check out this webinar or contact Stephen Schmidt, Library Development Office Supervisor, at steschmidt@library.in.gov for more information.

Digital Inclusion Survey Closes Friday

Library directors across Indiana are encouraged to take part in a national survey on Digital Inclusion through November 22. This study explores the digital inclusion roles of public libraries. Your participation will help provide Indiana libraries with accurate demographics about the areas they serve.

Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

Storytime for Children with Disabilities

When: December 16 @ 9:30 AM Where: Vigo Co. Public Library

Every Child Ready 2 Read -2nd Edition

When: Dec. 18 @ 9:00 AM Where: Hancock Co. Public Library (Greenfield)

PLA Conference

When: March 11 -15, 2014 Where: Indiana Convention Center - Downtown Indv

Discovery to Delivery V: Better Together

When: Apr. 25, 2014 @ 9:00 AM Where: Indianapolis Public Library - Central

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