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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Library Director](#)
Fairmount Public Library

[Assistant Director](#)
Hamilton North Public Library

[Genealogy Library Assistant - Keefer Center \(part-time\)](#)
Huntington City-Township Public Library

[Manager - Neighborhood Branch](#)
Indianapolis Public Library

Firefly Award voter submission date correction



Last week's issue of the Wednesday Word listed an incorrect deadline for submitting votes for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award. Votes for the award will be collected through July 31.

Grant from Delta Dental Foundation will support America's ToothFairy's Storytime Smiles initiative



To educate families about the importance of brushing and flossing daily, America's ToothFairy - a nonprofit organization that provides resources to expand access to dental care and oral health education in marginalized communities across the United States - has partnered with the Delta Dental Foundation to host Storytime Smiles events at public libraries across Indiana, Michigan and Ohio.

The initiative, made possible by a \$75,000 grant from the Delta Dental Foundation, provides superhero-themed education kits for libraries that include: three dental-themed books that promote

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Summer Reading Virtual Roundtable](#)

When: Feb. 16, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Facilitating Community Inquiry: Using Questions to Support Change](#)

When: Feb. 22, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable \(All Ages\) - Rescheduled](#)

When: Feb. 27, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Muncie Public Library - Maring-Hunt Branch

[Powered by Sunshine: How Solar Projects Benefit Libraries and Their Communities](#)

When: March 8, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Summer Reading Virtual Roundtable](#)

When: March 15, 1-2 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[Webmaster Roundtable](#)

When: March 21, 2-4 p.m.
Where: Peabody Public Library and virtual

[What's Up Wednesday - All Free for the Finding: Digging Up Family History for Free on the Internet](#)

When: March 29, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Get Ready to Recommend: Using Book Connections for Reader's Advisory](#)

When: March 30, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[What the Research Says - A Week in the Life of an Academic Video Game Collection](#)

When: April 5, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Professional Development Roundtable](#)

[Marketing Specialist](#)

Jeffersonville Township Public Library

[Clerk II – Circulation \(part-time\)](#)

Michigan City Public Library

[Library Assistant](#)

Middlebury Public Library

[Human Resources Associate - Payroll and Benefits](#)

Monroe County Public Library

[Southwest Branch Manager](#)

Monroe County Public Library

[Area Branch Assistant Manager](#)

St. Joseph County Public Library

[Human Sciences Librarian](#)

University Library at IUPUI

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

In the news



[Fort Wayne author to host ACPL Storytimes](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Browns town library announces programs for adults](#)

Browns town Public Library

[Free tax prep help available at Carmel Clay Public Library](#)

Carmel Clay Public Library

[EVPL Foundation planning annual Spring Mini Book Sale](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[EVPL hosting baby items drive for local nonprofits](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Hamilton East Public Library creates menu of field trip experiences](#)

Hamilton East Public Library

[New Indianapolis Public Library exhibit celebrates African American artists](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[Jasper Public Library installs legal help kiosk](#)

Jasper-Dubois County Public Library

[Snuggle Up With a Book Ball planned to support library](#)

Johnson County Public Library

[Indiana University's Lilly Library to present 'Flora + Fauna' exhibition](#)

Lilly Library at Indiana University

good oral health behaviors, a storytime lesson plan, activity booklets that include oral health tips and age-appropriate activities, a brochure for caregivers with oral health tips for the whole family, bookmarks with oral health tips, superhero capes and masks, brushing chart magnetic dry erase boards and toothbrushes.

Storytime Smiles will kick off on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in Indianapolis, during a community oral health event held at the Indianapolis Public Library and co-hosted by the Indiana Department of Health. The library is located at 40 E. St. Clair St.

“Libraries are one of our most underrated public health resources,” said Holli Seabury, executive director of the Delta Dental Foundation. “Storytime Smiles will be a fun and unique opportunity to offer critical health education and help more people find a dental home.”

In addition to the Storytime Smiles oral health presentation, children ages 2-17 can receive free dental screenings at the event as part of Hoosiers Give Kids a Smile.

“By partnering with Delta Dental and America’s ToothFairy, we are helping to give more Indiana children the gift of a lifetime - a healthy smile,” said Dr. Nelly Chawla, director of the Indiana Department of Health’s Division of Oral Health.

Education kits will be provided to public libraries with enough resources to reach 30,000 kids and their caregivers. Read the full press release [here](#).

For more information, please contact [Robin Vann](#), national programs manager.

Indiana Genealogical Society Conference returns in-person on April 1



Registration is now open for the annual Indiana Genealogical Society Conference and Seminar, which will return in-person on Saturday, April 1 at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne.

The featured speaker will be Amy Johnson Crow. Crow is the host of the popular Generations Café podcast and is the author of “31 Days to Better Genealogy,” a

When: April 6, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Inspiring Library Growth Through Outreach](#)

When: April 12, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Collection Development, Analysis and Promotion with Book Connections](#)

When: April 13, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[What’s Up Wednesday - LaPorte County Public Library and The Exchange](#)

When: April 26, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

Valentine's Day government resources



Saint Valentine’s Day, Feast of Saint Valentine or simply Valentine’s Day - taking place annually on February 14 - is the celebration of friendship, love, romance and government information. The federal government offers a surprising amount of fun, interesting and engaging resources related to a holiday that can be traced back to 1493.

[Performance.gov](#) hosts an annual [#GovLove](#) Valentine campaign each February that highlights great work happening across government by sending Valentines via social media to partner agencies and programs. This year, the campaign runs from Monday, Feb. 13 through Friday, Feb. 17. Performance.gov is an online resource that offers transparency into the progress underway to improve performance and accountability to the American public.

[Escape room games are back](#)
North Webster Community Public Library

[Tipton police search for missing library artwork](#)
Tipton County Public Library

[Officials hold 'wall-breaking' ceremony for 12 Points Library](#)
Vigo County Public Library

[After 41 years, Warsaw library director Ann Zydek announces retirement](#)
Warsaw Community Public Library

Is your library making news?

[Email](#) news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

To be featured in the Wednesday Word, please [email](#) a press release and a photo.



State Library blog



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Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



resource guide filled with practical tips researchers can put into practice right away. She holds a master's degree in library and information science and has held a Certified Genealogist credential since 1995.

Sessions include, but are not limited to: "Finding Ancestors Before 1850," "After Mustering Out: Researching Civil War Veterans," "Using Periodicals and PERSI to Take Your Research to the Next Level" and "Ask the Experts."

Registration is \$30 for current IGS members, \$65 for non-IGS member and \$60 for non-IGS member who opt to join IGS. A virtual option is also available at the same registration prices. Virtual attendees will join remotely via Zoom. Click [here](#) for additional session information and to access the registration form. The deadline to register for the conference is Saturday, March 25.

The conference is eligible for LEUs for Indiana library staff. The library is located at 900 Library Plaza in Fort Wayne.

ILF announces upcoming conference dates



The Indiana Library Federation has announced several conference dates for 2023.

The Youth Services Conference will take place on Aug. 14 at IUPUI in Indianapolis. Registration begins March 1. Click [here](#) to read more.

The North Region Conference will take place on April 14 at the St. Joe County Public Library in South Bend; the South Region Conference will take place on April 28 at the Floyd County Library in New Albany; the East Region Conference will take place on May 5 at the Pendleton Community Public Library in Pendleton; and the West Region Conference will take place on May 12 at the Vigo County Public Library in Terre Haute. Registration for the regional conferences will go live on March 1. Click [here](#) to read more.

Those with questions about the Youth Services Conference should contact the [Indiana Library Federation](#). Those with questions about the regional conferences should contact [Kyle Hickman](#), Indiana Library Federation assistant executive director.

The [U.S. Census Bureau](#) has compiled and created several stats, infographics and visualizations associated with the holiday. Parents and educators can view the [teaching guide](#) for ideas on how to incorporate [Valentine's Day Fun Facts](#) in fun learning. The Department of State also offers [classroom activities](#) for intermediate and advanced learners on Valentine's Day traditions in the U.S. At America's Library, [America's Story](#) shares the modern history of the holiday in our country.

Less interested in learning and more interested in sharing the love on Valentine's Day, [NASA offers free holiday e-cards](#) to write and send. Whether learning about the holiday, or engaging in the tradition, the federal government offers a wealth of resources on the holiday of love and friendship.

CSLP seeking future theme and slogan suggestions



The Collaborative Summer Library Program is currently in the process of selecting a slogan for 2026 to go with the "Dinosaur" theme. CSLP is also in the process of selecting a general theme for 2027.

CSLP state representatives will solicit feedback and suggestions for slogans and themes via survey. The representative will then narrow down the suggestions to the most popular ones and submit those to the CSLP Theme and Slogan Committee. The committee then goes through the suggestions from all the state reps. They submit the popular suggestions to lawyers to be vetted in order to make sure they aren't copyrighted and that there are no other unforeseen issues. They also submit them to Spanish speakers who make suggestions for what will and won't translate well. The committee then holds a listening session where public library staff from across the country have an opportunity to weigh in on the final 20 or so suggestions. Finally, the CSLP state reps vote on the final slogan and theme at their Annual Meeting in the fall.

Click [here](#) to submit slogan and theme suggestions to CSLP. The form will close at 8 a.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, Feb. 25.

Contact [Beth Yates](#), CSLP past president, CSLP Indiana state rep and children's consultant at the Indiana State Library, with questions about submitting themes and slogans.

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