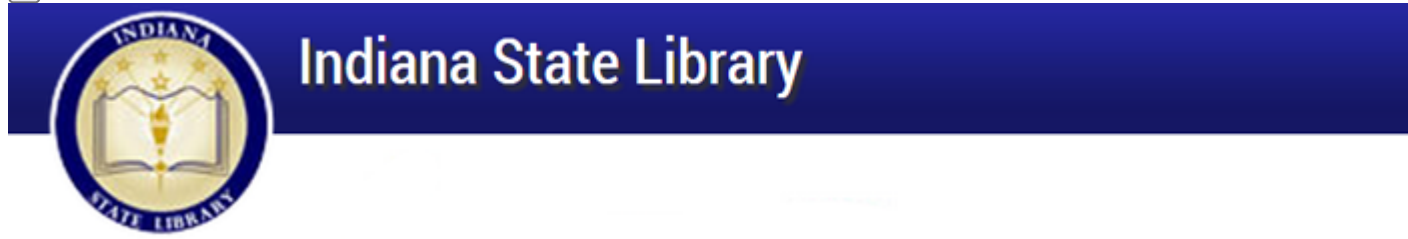


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Statewide OverDrive consortium announced; training set for Feb. 15



The Indiana State Library has announced that public libraries in Indiana with legal service area populations under 150,000 are eligible to join a newly-formed OverDrive consortium named the Indiana Digital Library. OverDrive is the leading digital reading platform for libraries and schools worldwide. They are dedicated to creating “a world enlightened by

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Building Community Engagement and Awareness Through Little Free Library](#)

When: Feb. 3, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Get INSPIRED: EBSCO Usage Statistics and Reports](#)

When: Feb. 9, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Getting Started with Marketplace - Indiana Digital Library \(Overdrive\)](#)

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

[Build a Better World at Work and in Life with Kindness and Gratitude](#)

When: Feb. 23, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Indiana 211 and Libraries](#)

When: March 16, 2022, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Genealogy Cataloger](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Children's Services Manager](#)

Anderson Public Library

[Location Experience Manager](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Community Outreach Specialist](#)

Goshen Public Library

[Kids Services Librarian](#)

Greenwood Public Library

[Library Annex Assistant](#)

Hesburgh Library at the University of Notre Dame

[Manager, Central Services](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[Manager, Community Branch](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[Children's Librarian](#)

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[STEAM Lab Specialist](#)

Johnson County Public Library

[Community Outreach Librarian](#)

Monroe County Public Library

[Teen Services Manager](#)

Monroe County Public Library

[Adult Services Manager](#)

Monticello-Union Township Public

reading" by delivering the industry's largest catalog of ebooks, audiobooks and other digital media to a growing network of 65,000 libraries and schools in 84 countries.

On Feb. 15 at 1 p.m., the State Library will present "Getting Started with the Overdrive Marketplace." This hourlong webinar is an introductory session on the OverDrive Marketplace and is geared toward those who will be managing their library's OverDrive account. Emma Dwyer, product trainer at Overdrive, will explain the difference between a consortium and advantage account and provide an overview of shopping, purchasing and reports in Marketplace. The live training session will help account managers differentiate publisher lending models; browse and search for content; create and purchase carts; review billing options; run common reports; and access additional help and training resources.

The webinar is eligible for one TLEU for Indiana library staff. Click [here](#) to register. Registered participants will receive a link to a recording of the session in addition to follow-up materials.

The deadline to join the statewide public library Overdrive consortium is Jan. 31. The new consortium will begin on March 1. The form used to join the consortium can be downloaded [here](#). Once completed, the form should be sent to [OverDrive via email](#). To date, 151 libraries have joined the consortium.

Please contact Indiana State Librarian [Jacob Speer](#) for more information about the OverDrive consortium.

[Curating and Maintaining Vibrant Collections for Users with Print Disabilities](#)

When: March 17, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: Effective Staff Development on Any Budget](#)

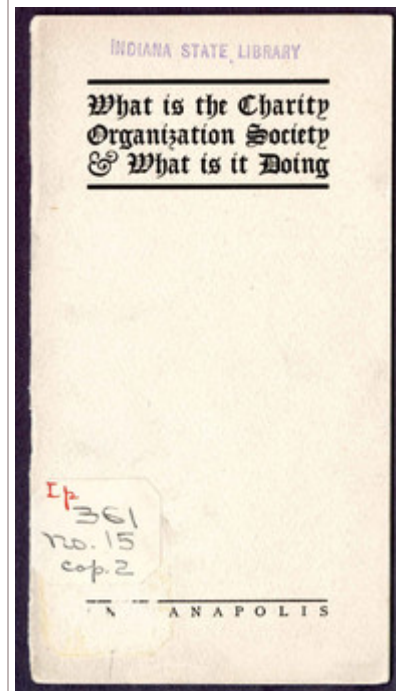
When: April 27, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar



Welcome to Digital Collection Highlights. Every other week, librarians at the Indiana State Library share images from the library's ever-growing digital collections. Visit the [Digital Collections](#) page to view the latest additions.

[The Charity Organization Society](#)



Library

[Senior Library Assistant - Circulation](#)
University of Southern Indiana

[Senior Library Assistant - University Archives and Special Collections](#)
University of Southern Indiana

[Museum Researcher \(part-time\)](#)
Westchester Public Library

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

In the news



[Allen County Public Library board discusses facilities master plan, including branch expansions](#)
Allen County Public Library

[Eckhart Public Library hires new executive director](#)
Eckhart Public Library

[An Evansville library manager has received a high honor in mystery writing](#)
Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[EVPL hosting valentine initiative to show thanks to those on frontline of pandemic](#)
Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[EVPL partnering with AARP to provide tax aide](#)

IndyPL welcomes diversity, equity and inclusion officer Keesha Hughes



The Indianapolis Public Library has announced Keesha Hughes as its new diversity, equity and inclusion officer. Hughes most recently worked as the communications director and Anti-Racism Committee leader at Perry Township Schools.

“We live in a city with people representing various races, ethnicities, gender identities and expressions and socioeconomic backgrounds,” Hughes said. “To best serve diverse employees and patrons, we need to make every effort to help everyone feel welcome and included. It is a privilege to lead this effort in such a pivotal organization in Indianapolis.”

“The library has an important role in the community and being a leader in diversity, equity and inclusion is critical to our organization and the community as a whole,” said John Helling, IndyPL interim chief executive officer. “In this role, Keesha’s contributions will resonate throughout the city.”

Hughes, a Certified Diversity Professional, began her career in broadcast journalism. As IndyPL’s diversity, equity and inclusion officer, Hughes will help the library assess, design, develop, implement, research and evaluate diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives appropriate to organizational

The Indianapolis Benevolent Society established the Charity Organization Society in 1879 and kept offices in Plymouth Church on Monument Circle. With the Indianapolis Benevolent Society providing the aid, the Charity Organization Society screened clients.

With the height of their work being between 1891 to 1911, the Society focused on relief to the poor, reducing the causes of long-term dependency on charity, substituting work for relief, helping their clients avoid the abuses and fraud of charity and encouraging thrift. During that time, they formed sub-groups to focus on specific areas of need, such as: children, widows, mothers, health, the organization of community gardens on vacant lots, crime reduction and money management and savings. In 1922, The Charity Organization Society, Indianapolis Benevolent Society, Children’s Aid Association and Mother’s Aid Society merged into the Family Welfare Society and refocused on family problems.

Patrons can now find materials about the Charity Organization Society of Indianapolis in the Indiana State Library’s digital collections. The collection includes their 1880 constitution, their 1902 articles of association and their annual reports, as well as a 1905 pamphlet called “[What is the Charity Organization Society and what is it doing?](#)” which details their work in the community.

Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians conference proposal deadline extended

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

['Unapologetically Noir' exhibit to tour Northwest Indiana](#)
Gary Public Library

[Renovations at Hartford City Public Library nearly complete](#)
Hartford City Public Library

[Director, business manager to depart Kendallville library](#)
Kendallville Public Library

[Two long-time Muncie Public Library employees set to retire](#)
Muncie Public Library

[OCPL's no longer hidden treasure](#)
Owen County Public Library

[County council approves funds for EMS, library](#)
Walton and Tipton Township Public Library

*Please consult local news sources and library websites for the latest information on the closures of libraries and the cancellations of scheduled library events and programs in relation to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

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values, goals and strategic priorities of the library. From buying books by marginalized authors to advancing equity through contracts and purchasing, she feels DEI support can keep staff in tune with the needs and aspirations of the local community. Internally, she hopes staff will feel they have a safe place to seek support.

Hughes began her new role on Nov. 1, 2021, and has been involved in IndyPL's climate improvement process. This work, led independently by the Ice Miller Racial Equity Solutions group, is examining the library's policies, procedures and employee perceptions of diversity, equity and inclusion.

Read IndyPL's full press release [here](#).

North Manchester Public Library chosen as recipient of Children's Book Project grant award



Tammy Seifert

The North Manchester Public Library was recently chosen as a recipient of the Children's Book Project grant award from [The Pilcrow Foundation](#). The Pilcrow Foundation provides new, quality,



The Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians will meet for its annual conference, "[Inspired to Bloom](#)," in Bloomington on May 11-13, 2022. Hosted by Indiana University Bloomington, the hybrid conference will be held on the IU Bloomington campus and online.

Currently, OVGTSL is seeking proposals for the conference. OVGTSL wants to hear how libraries have thrived and flourished and what motivates them to continue to bloom. The proposal deadline has been extended to Feb. 4.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to: sources of inspiration; DEI; collaboration across library units and beyond; tools and processes for large-scale editing of metadata; primary resources and rare collections; electronic resources lifecycle management; efficient technical services workflows; keeping up with changes; open access materials; staff recruiting and retention; department reorganization; collection assessment; print acquisitions management; and preparing staff and systems for changes in metadata standards.

The sessions will be held May 12-13. Time slots for all presentation sessions are 50 minutes, including time for questions from the audience. Submissions for panel discussions, lightning rounds, workshops and other formats will be considered in addition to standard presentations. Click [here](#) to submit a proposal.

Urban Librarians Conference call for



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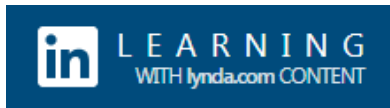
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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



hardcover children's books to rural public libraries across the United States.

The grant allowed NMPL to add 75 new books, worth \$1,257.78, to the Children's Department collection.

One of the stipulations of the grant was that the home community contribute towards the grant. When local business owner Tammy Seifert passed in 2020, her family and friends created a memorial fund in her name for the benefit of the library.

"\$200 from her fund covered the community contribution and made us eligible for the award," shares Sarah Morbitzer, children's department head. "On their end, Pilcrow generously promised to provide us with an additional \$400 of books. With Pilcrow, we were able to select the exact books we needed for the department, completing several series and ordering new releases from popular authors. Imagine my surprise when I opened the shipment and found 38 extra books!"

The books are available for checkout from the library. They can be found on a special display, set up across from the children's circulation desk. Each book has a bookplate acknowledging Seifert's memory and the generosity of her friends and family and the Pilcrow Foundation.

speakers extended to Jan. 31



URBAN LIBRARIANS CONFERENCE

April 29, 2022 | Virtual | #ULCON22

The 2022 Urban Librarians Conference, themed "What's your Spark?," will take place virtually on April 29.

The committee is currently seeking speakers to talk about "things they'd always rather be working on. Is it a program? Worker advocacy? A tech project? You tell us."

The speaker proposal deadline has been extended to Jan. 31. Click [here](#) to submit a proposal.

Click [here](#) to register for the 2022 conference. The cost to register is \$35. A solidarity ticket option is also available for \$70. The "buy one, give one" solidarity ticket option is designed to help those in the library community who might be suffering from financial hardships, such as job loss or a furlough. The solidarity ticket sale ends on April 18.

The Urban Librarians Conference is a project of [Urban Librarians Unite](#), a passionate group of urban library professionals and advocates working to build community centered 21st century libraries.

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