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Indiana library jobs

Indiana Library Passport now available



The Indiana State Library is pleased to announce the launch of the Indiana Library Passport, a mobile passport that encourages everyone to visit libraries across the Hoosier state.

The passport is a free program, open to everyone. It showcases over 60 main libraries and branches to explore - including 31 historical Carnegie libraries - in an easy, mobile-friendly way.

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[What's Up Wednesday - Retirement on the Horizon? A Public Library](#)

[Director's Primer](#)

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

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Get INSPIRED: Using Book Connections at the Public Library](#)

When: Aug. 10, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[The Mystery of the Darlington Bible](#)

When: Aug. 13, 1-3 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

[Reimagining School Readiness Part One; a.m. option](#)

When: Aug. 16, 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Reimagining School Readiness Part One; p.m. option](#)

When: Aug. 16, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Where: Webinar



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Library Branch Manager](#)
Allen County Public Library

[Information Services Librarian - Trainer](#)
Hammond Public Library

[Communications Specialist](#)
Hancock County Public Library

[Adult Services Supervisor](#)
Muncie Public Library

[Systems Coordinator](#)
Porter County Public Library System

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



[Brownstown library board holding public meeting](#)

Brownstown Public Library

[Crochet night planned at Brownstown library](#)

Brownstown Public Library

In addition to 31 historical Carnegie libraries, the passport includes stops at the Allen County Public Library, which features the new Roland Center for Lincoln Research; the South Whitley Community Public Library, which features the Shultz Gem Collection; the Bartholomew County Public Library, which features architectural design by I. M. Pei and the Large Arch statue by Henry Moore; and much more.

Patrons can visit a [dedicated mobile passport landing page](#) where they can sign-up for the Indiana Library Passport by providing their name, email address and mobile phone number. A link is then sent to their mobile phone, which opens the passport and directs the user to add the button icon to their home screen, where they can access it any time. There is never anything to download and no bulky apps take up space on a user's phone.

When participants check in to libraries on the Indiana Library Passport trail, they will be entered into a quarterly drawing for a [prize package](#), including, but not limited to, historical tour tickets, architecture books and gift cards from local and national merchants. Once users sign up for the passport, they only need to use their phone to check in while physically at each location. Participants are eligible to check in to each location on the passport once per week which will enter them into the prize drawing. Click [here](#) for detailed instructions on how to sign up and on how to use the passport. Click [here](#) to read the Indiana Library Passport FAQs.

The Indiana Library Passport is a collaboration between the Indiana State Library and Bandwango, a well-known technology company in the travel space. Bandwango technology is designed to support

[Reimagining School Readiness Part Two; a.m. option](#)

When: Aug. 17, 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Reimagining School Readiness Part Two; p.m. option](#)

When: Aug. 17, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Reimagining School Readiness - In-Person Option](#)

When: Aug. 20, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Where: Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library

[Game Jams for Libraries. What are they? Why should I host one?](#)

When: Aug. 24, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: Best Practices for Preserving Board Minutes](#)

When: Aug. 31, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Raising Ready Readers](#)

When: Sept. 13, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Get INSPIRED](#)

When: Sept. 14, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Difference is You Conference](#)

When: Sept. 23, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library



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](#)

[Eckhart Public Library receives gift of artwork](#)

Eckhart Public Library

[Celebrating 60 years of giving to the Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library](#)

Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library

[Jane Burgess talks about the future of fundraising for HMMPL Foundation](#)

Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library

['To Kill a Mockingbird' actor honored with marker in Indiana](#)

Indiana Historical Bureau at the Indiana State Library

[Reading challenge, movies, fill library's July schedule](#)

LaGrange County Public Library

[July 13 Author Talk at PCPL to feature Fabe's new book](#)

Putnam County Public Library

[Sheridan Public Library announces coloring contest winners](#)

Sheridan Public Library

[SJC Public Library encouraging summer reading](#)

St. Joseph County Public Library

[New autobiographies at Warsaw library](#)

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.

free and paid experiences created by destinations and marketed to visitors and locals. They are the technology company behind Visit Indiana's [State Nature Passport](#), among other passports in the state.

The 2022-23 Indiana Library Passport program is sponsored by the [Indiana State Library Foundation](#).

Please contact [John Wekluk](#), communications director at the Indiana State Library, with any questions.

Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award voting ends July 31



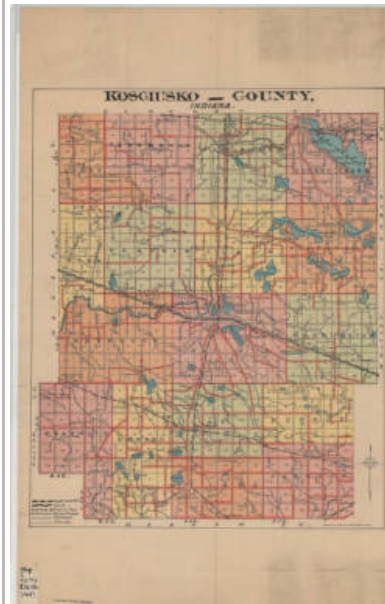
The Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Committee would like to send a reminder that voting for the 2022 Indiana Early Literacy firefly Award closes on July 31.

In its eighth year, the literacy award recognizes picture books that serve an important role in the first years of a child's life and encourages parents, caregivers and very young children to interact together with exceptional picture books.

The 2022 nominees are "Find Fergus" by Mike Boldt, "Grace and Box" by Indiana author Kim Howard, "Now Now, Cow" by Tammi Sauer and illustrated by Indiana illustrator Troy Cummings, "One-Osaurus, Two-Osaurus" by

[Collections](#) page to view the latest additions.

1908 Rand, McNally & Co. map of Kosciusko County



There is quite a bit to consider on this [1908 map of Kosciusko County](#). Small and colorful, it contains a ton of information.

The map includes impressions of treaties from the Indian expulsion years. Checase, Flat Belly, Musquabuck, Menoquet and Mota are some of the names of Pottawatomi and Miami men who held the land as long as was possible. They were "removed" by 1850.

Water is a major force in northern Indiana, as evidenced by the map. Lakes and ditches are a prominent data layer and many underwent name changes as they were developed. Winona Lake is shown as Eagle Lake. Barbee Lake is shown as Hammon Lake. Papakeechee was not developed until 1910, shown on the map as six small natural lakes just south of the great Wawasee.

The map also details how electric railroads connected Milford,



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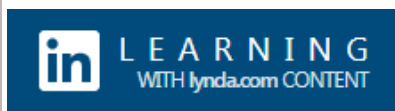
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Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



Kim Norman and "We All Play" by Julie Flett.

Voting is limited to children who live in Indiana and who are under age 6 as of July 31. It is expected that most Indiana children will require help from a parent, caregiver or librarian. Children should circle their favorite Firefly nominee on their ballot and turn it in to their local voting location. This year, every public library system in Indiana received 15 print copies of the ballot and six sheets of Firefly stickers for marking nominees and winning titles. Tallies will be accepted through July 31 and the award winner will be announced on Aug. 8. Voting locations should tally the votes and send them in an [email to the Indiana Center for the Book](#).

A program guide that goes along with the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award for the 2022 cycle is available to download [here](#).

Click [here](#) to learn more about the award - including voting rules and deadlines - and to access the ballot, labels, activity sheets and voting forms.

The committee would like to thank TeachingBooks, who supported printing and who put together additional Firefly Award book information.

Please contact [Suzanne Walker](#), director of the Indiana Center for the Book, with any questions and to receive additional Firefly Award social media materials.

Warsaw and Syracuse. The short electric line feeds into major interstate rail lines. Grace College has a [map online showing the Winona interurban connections](#).

This map of Kosciusko County is a great artifact for research and can be viewed - along with other rare Indiana maps - in the Indiana State Library's [Digital Map Collection](#).

MCLS announces new phone numbers



The [Midwest Collaborative for Library Services](#) has announced a change to its group, staff and direct phone numbers.

While the two main phone numbers, 517-394-2420 and 800-530-9019, will remain the same, group numbers for services such as general training, MeLCat help, MeL eResources help, etc. and direct numbers have changed. For group and staff direct numbers, please visit the MCLS website [contact page](#). Each staff member has also updated their phone number in their email signature.

MCLS encourages members to make note of, and update in their systems, any of the numbers they have saved or use frequently. MCLS is hopeful that this transition will be smooth, and they look forward to continuing to serve their customers and members via the new phone system.

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