

### Choose to Read Ohio

- The 2013 and 2014 booklist was announced at the Ohioana Book Festival on May 12 and has been posted: <http://library.ohio.gov/blog/?p=2751>. The new booklist features 20 titles, by Ohio authors and illustrators, for readers of all ages and interests. Reader's toolkits for these books will be developed during summer-fall 2012 and posted to the CTRO website at <http://oh.webjunction.org/ohctrointro>.
- The 2011 and 2012 booklist, with book jacket images and links to reader's toolkits, is available at <http://www.webjunction.org/partners/ohio/oh-programs/ctroguides.html>. The toolkits include discussion guides, author information, ideas for activities, and other resources, for program and curriculum planning and to enhance the reading experience. All are available to download in PDF format.
- CTRO spotlights Ohio authors and promotes reading across Ohio. All libraries are encouraged to participate by creating displays, hosting book discussion groups, or otherwise encouraging readership. Questions and requests for a certificate of participation should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer.

### ILEAD USA

- Ohio will be a partner in a \$470,000 Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program partner awarded by IMLS to the State Library of Illinois. Entitled ILEAD USA the program helps library staff learn about technology, project management, leadership, needs assessment and project implementation strategies.
- As part of the program, five member teams of library staff will attend three three-day, in person sessions over the course of nine months. ILEAD USA will be March 25 – 28, June 17 – 20, and October 21 – 24, 2013.
- Partnering states are Illinois, Colorado, Iowa, Ohio and Utah.
- Additional details and registration information will be announced throughout the year.
- Questions regarding ILEAD USA should be addressed to Katie Campbell.

### Library Leadership Ohio

- The State Library is working with OHIONET and the Ohio Library Council on Library Leadership Ohio. Complete information on Library Leadership Ohio, including the list of participants can be found at: [www.libraryleadershipohio.org](http://www.libraryleadershipohio.org).
- The Ivy Group will facilitate the 3 day event which will be held in July 25-27, 2012 at Deer Creek State Park.
- Questions regarding Library Leadership Ohio should be addressed to Katie Campbell.

### List of New Acquisitions

- New titles at <http://www.library.ohio.gov/Marketing/Residents/RecentAdditionstoCollection/SLOBooksJune2012>

### LSTA

- Twenty-one LSTA full grant proposals were received. Review teams will be throughout the summer. Recommended proposals will be taken to the September 21 State Library Board for funding.
- A special LSTA program was developed for public libraries on a stand-alone ILS wishing to migrate and join an existing library consortium using a shared ILS. Eligible public libraries received information through the mail. To date, 16 public libraries have received a total of \$361,955 in federal funds to join a consortium.
- The LSTA Five Year Plan 2012 – 2017 was submitted to IMLS for approval on June 28, 2012. The Plan is available at <http://library.ohio.gov/lpd/ohio-lsta-five-year-plans>
- Questions on LSTA should be addressed to Missy Lodge.

### Ohio Connecting to Collections Planning Grant

- The Ohio Connecting to Collections Survey Results and other documents related to the project are at <http://oh.webjunction.org/ohconnectcollect/-/resources/bparticles>
- Two "Outta Space: Best Practices in Storage and Space Planning" were held. The first took place in Cincinnati on April 15 with 53 participants and the second session brought 75 participants to Akron on May 15. All documents from the workshops are located at <http://www.webjunction.org/content/webjunction/partners/ohio/oh-programs/connectcollect/programs.html>

- In late 2011 the Connecting to Collections partners sent out a request for exemplary policies that would be of interest and assistance to cultural heritage organizations. Forty policies are now available at [www.ohiomemory.org](http://www.ohiomemory.org) (find Connecting to Collections in the drop-down menu) or at <http://bit.ly/lrmXBw>. This site is dynamic and the partners would like additional policies. To submit a policy or with questions about the site, please contact Shannon Kupfer at [skupfer@library.ohio.gov](mailto:skupfer@library.ohio.gov)

### Ohio eBook Project

- Current library membership for the Ohio eBook Project is 89 libraries.
- Circulation for the Ohio eBook Project was more than 103,000 checkouts in the month of June.
- Questions about the Ohio eBook Project go to Mandy Knapp at [aknapp@library.ohio.gov](mailto:aknapp@library.ohio.gov).

### Ohio Ready to Read

- The newest resource from Ohio Ready to Read is the Ohio Early Literacy Crosswalk (<http://ohelcrosswalk.wikispaces.com/>), intended to help librarians and early-childhood professionals understand how four early literacy frameworks – Every Child Ready to Read (ECRR) 1st Edition, ECRR 2nd Edition, Ohio Department of Education Pre-K Content Standards, and Head Start Child Development and Early Learning Framework Outcomes – relate to one another.
- The redesigned Ohio Ready to Read website (<http://www.ohreadytoread.org/>) offers a wealth of early literacy resources including tools to help you advocate, establish community partnerships, reach out to families and caregivers, and learn about early childhood development. Ohio librarians may also use the website to request Ready to Read training at their libraries and to reserve a traveling Ohio Ready to Read kit (full of useful materials for their programs or workshops).
- The second edition of PLA/ALSC's early literacy outreach toolkit, Every Child Ready to Read ® @ your library ®, is available for purchase from the ALA Store.
- Questions on the Ohio Ready to Read program should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer.

**Press releases** are at <http://www.library.ohio.gov/Marketing/PR/2012/June>

- State Library of Ohio Board Member Lynn Grimshaw Recognized for Service
- Mandy Knapp joins the staff of the State Library of Ohio as Library Development Consultant
- State Library of Ohio awards \$2,471,481 federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) LSTA grant for Libraries Connect Ohio to purchase statewide set of online resources and publications for all Ohioans

### Snapshot Day

- Statewide results from Snapshot Day 2011 are posted at <http://www.library.ohio.gov/snapshotday/2011/Results> including a 2-sided flyer (PDF view at <http://library.ohio.gov/sites/default/files/SnapshotDay2011-ResultsWeb.pdf> and Hi-Resolution print-quality at <http://library.ohio.gov/sites/default/files/SnapshotDay2011-Results.pdf>)
- Snapshot Day 2012 is planned for the week of October 7 – 13, 2012. More information will be shared soon.

### Staffing

- Mandy Knapp joined the staff of the State Library of Ohio as a Library Development Consultant with an emphasis on technology. She will serve as Project Manager for the Ohio eBook Project and as the State Library's E-Rate contact, assist Ohio librarians in writing Technology Plans, Internet privacy policies, and other technology policies, and assist them in evaluating technology service needs.

### Training

- Library Programs and Development staff offer a webinar the first Monday of the month on a topic of interest to librarians. Upcoming programs include: PowerPoint Best Practices, Train-the-Trainer: Soft Skills for Job Hunters, Emerging Technologies, and eGovernment Resources for Public Libraries. Register at <http://library.ohio.gov/event>.
- Mandy Knapp, Library Consultant -- Technology, has developed a Technology Petting Zoo program. Libraries can request to have Mandy come to their library and host a program for staff to learn about and practice on a variety of eReader devices in a relaxed and supportive environment. Libraries interested in the training or who would like more information about the trainings should visit <http://library.ohio.gov/lpd/technology-petting-zoo-request>.