

Presentation Descriptions

9:00 Session

Binding Busted Books

Learn tips and tricks in repairing books. Come prepared to share your knowledge on what you do to make a book last longer.

Presenter: Kathleen Lambert is the Technical Services Department Head at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Don't You Forget About Me—Readers Advisory Wallflowers

We all know the “cool” kids – the books that get around – but what about all those introverts, goths, and geeks sitting on the sidelines? Let me introduce you to a few wallflowers who deserve a dance or two.

Presenter: Jennifer Hills is a Reference Librarian at the Twin Falls Public Library

Launch Space Science Programming at Your Library

Curious about the NASA @ My Library program? Want to learn how your library can be part of the “Universe of Stories”? Great! This session will cover ways you can easily provide space science programming to your community. Through exploring hand-on activities and program tools and resources, attendees will leave this session with newly gained confidence in providing space themed STEM programming at their library

Presenter: Deana Brown is an Emerging Trends Consultant for the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

Lending Out the Internet: Circulating Mobile Hotspots & Other Tech

For many people, the library is one of their only gateways to the internet. Now many libraries in Idaho and elsewhere are checking out mobile hotspots and other devices, such as laptops and tablets, to help connect their communities outside of the library building. Join us to learn about the Twin Falls Public Library's experiences circulating these technology items as well as information, resources, and opportunities your library can use to start offering a similar service.

Presenters: Dylan Baker is the Broadband Consultant at the Idaho Commission for Libraries. Adam Day is the IT Specialist at the Twin Falls Public Library.

10:15 Session

Anthropomorphic to Wordplay-Filled: There's a Book for That on NovelList Plus and NovelList Plus K-8

Are you in the market for books that are snarky and darkly humorous? How about high-drama and banter-filled? What do you read now that you've finished the last book in your favorite series, or read everything by your favorite author? NovelList Plus and NovelList Plus K-8, available on lili.org, have you covered. Use this fun and fabulous readers advisory database to search for your next great read, and as a powerful readers advisory tool. The databases can also be searched by award winners and reading level, offers book discussion guides and curricular/core connections,

Presenter: Allison Floyd is the LiLI Librarian at the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

A Grant Without Management is Just “Bucks”

Writing grants can be stressful and complicated. Deadlines can be nerve-racking. Good grant management includes all the administrative responsibilities that must be completed during the time frame of the grant, staying in compliance, following through on the deliverables, and submitting final reports. Join LeAnn Gelskey, Director of the Hailey Public library, as she shares her tips and tricks on smart grant management. Successful grant tracking is possible!

Presenter: LeAnn Gelskey is the Director at the Hailey Public Library

Humans of the Magic Valley

Humans of the Magic Valley is a program where real people are available to be interviewed by your patrons. Participants can ask difficult questions and get honest answers. Learn how you can implement this program at your library and foster communication, diversity, and understanding in your community.

Presenters: Kasi Allen is a Youth Services Librarian at the Twin Falls Public Library. CJ Rasmusson is the Circulation Department Head at the Twin Falls Public Library.

School and Public Library Partnerships: A Couple of Examples and Some Great Ideas

Do you feel like your public or school librarian counterpart doesn't want to partner or doesn't have time to work with you? We'll talk about some examples of school/public library partnerships, both big and small, and some ways to scale those ideas to your library. Where your students are concerned, two libraries are better than one for a lifelong love of reading and learning.

Presenter: Jeannie Standal is a School Library Consultant at the Idaho Commission for Libraries

1:30 Session

All By Myself: The Best Stand-Alone Children's Books

Kids love books in series. But what happens when they are waiting for the next book in their favorite series to come out, or they don't want to jump into a new series? In this session we'll talk about some great stand-alone books to recommend to your young patrons.

Presenter: Erica Littlefield is the Youth Services Supervisor at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Design Thinking, What the Huckleberry Is It?

Have you been wondering what design thinking is all about? Join us for a quick tour of design thinking methods and how libraries can use them to solve community-based problems. Presenters will introduce design thinking techniques to address a common conference-related problem: "How can I find time to implement a cool idea when I return from a conference?" Attendees will leave with an overview of design thinking and strategies for putting ideas learned at conferences into action at their library.

Presenters: Dylan Baker is the Broadband Consultant at the Idaho Commission for Libraries. Tammy Hawley-House is a Continuing Education Consultant with the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

Identifying and Confronting Microaggressions in Our Libraries

Microaggressions are subtle verbal or nonverbal communication, intentional or not, resulting in harmful consequences to members of marginalized groups. In this interactive session we'll examine the sources of microaggressions, their potential effects, and ways to defending ourselves and others who are targets. We will also consider the factors behind our own microaggressions, and how we can reduce their likelihood.

Presenter: Elizabeth Ramsey is an Associate professor and Librarian at Boise State University's Albertsons Library.

Marketing Your Collection

Marketing and sales techniques at the Library are a great way to provide over-the-top customer service and engage library customers in a whole new way. Sales practices can also help increase collection usage statistics and our daily door count—both of which are important indicators of the value of our library to our community. This workshop will focus on using simple retail sales methods to drive circulation rates up and improve your customer service skills. A great fit for frontline circulation staff and pages.

Presenter: Jennifer Redford is a Youth Services Consultant with the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

3:00 Session

Destination: Third Grade Reading Proficiency

After about third grade, reading instruction turns from "learning to read" to "reading to learn". Children who reach this mile marker without good reading skills struggle in school are more likely to fail to graduate. Therefore, the support children receive before entering kindergarten and as they begin to learn to read is the key to success. ICfL's Read to Me program offers many projects, resources, and professional development opportunities to public and school librarians working with young children and their families. Whether you're just getting on the road or are a seasoned traveler, this Read to Me Roadmap will help your library determine the best path to reading success in your community.

Presenter: Staci Shaw is a Youth Services Consultant at the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

Get Out: Programming for All Ages (Outside the Library!)

Everyone needs a bit of fresh air – and fresh program ideas, too. I'll share some that have worked for us – regardless of the season.

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Partnership Experiences Between Public Libraries and Schools Using Technology, Programs, and Grants

Have you ever filled out a grant, and realized at the last moment that you weren't qualified for it due to being the wrong type of institution? Have any of you ever gone through a summer reading program with book hold lists that reach into the double digits? If your answer to either of these questions is yes, make sure to stop by our program to hear a tale of crashed drones, virtual expeditions, and being buried by books, when entering into partnerships between a school and public library.

Presenter: Josh Crotty is the Teen and Tech Services Coordinator at the Hailey Public Library.

Top Teen and Tween Titles

What's new and popular for our tween and teen readers, avid to reluctant? Come and find out.

Presenter: Susan Tabor Boesch is a Teacher Librarian for the Wood River Middle School