

WYOMING STATE LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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ACPL KICKS OFF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WITH COMMUNITY EVENT

The Albany County Public Library (ACPL), a recipient of Wyoming Library Multi-Purpose Community Facility Program (WLMCF) funds, kicked off their construction projects with a community event on October 5 at their main location in Laramie, Wyoming. This event was hosted by the ACPL Foundation, with support from the Sally Dieterich Fund.

Members of the Albany County community were invited to enjoy cake and punch, as well as paint on one of the walls surrounding one of the areas involved in the ACPL's WLMCF construction projects. Members of the ACPL staff, members of their library and foundation boards, children and adults from the Laramie community, and UW basketball players all added their own personal touches to the designated walls. Three members of the Wyoming State Library staff including Abby Beaver, Anne Kiepers, and Christi Weinzierl added their artwork to the wall, as well. Paint, paintbrushes, paint pens, and plenty

of cleaning supplies were on hand to allow all participants to let their creative juices flow.

"We take a lot of pride in being a vibrant and engaging place for our community. The WLMCF funds will help us improve and expand our public gathering spaces to match that goal," said ACPL Director, Rachel Crocker. "We knew we had to celebrate this incredible opportunity by inviting our community to leave their creative mark on the space, and we're grateful to the ACPL Foundation for making that possible."

The ACPL's construction projects, which include the renovation of two public gathering spaces and the creation of a family activity center, will be completed by the fall of 2026.



Patrons decorate a wall at Albany County Public Library at their Construction Kickoff Event.

WSL News

FALL WYLD TEAM UPDATE



Left to right: Cori Hundley, Shantry Miller, Shaylee Krueger, Desiree Saunders, and Nick Marlin

During this month of thankfulness, the Wyoming State Library is taking this opportunity to express our gratitude for the WYLD Support team. The team is led by Desiree Saunders, WYLD Program Manager, and includes Cori Hundley, Systems Librarian; Shaylee Krueger, Resource Sharing Librarian; Nick Marlin, Library Systems Administrator; and Shantry Miller, Bibliographic Services Librarian. WYLD Support Team, we are grateful for all you do! The Wyoming State Library's WYLD office has been a hub of activity during the late summer and fall this year as the team has been busy with library visits, providing and attending training, and supporting the WYLD library network.

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into fall this year. The team has been busy traveling across Wyoming to visit libraries for training days, taking advantage of professional development opportunities through virtual training and conferences, as well as continuing to provide support throughout the WYLD library network. Here's an overview of what's been going on, projects in progress, and events to look forward to in the future:

In July, Shantry and Shaylee traveled to the Albany County Public Library for an afternoon of cataloging training and interlibrary loan discussion. Later in the summer, Nick, Shantry, and Shaylee visited libraries in Crook and Weston counties where they met with school and public library staff about Aspen, cataloging, tips and tricks when inventorying, WSL resources, and interlibrary loan systems training. The trio visited Park County in September to meet with librarians there and from surrounding counties about interlibrary loan, Aspen, and cataloging. During their stay in Cody, the team enjoyed visiting the Northwest College Library and the McCracken Research Library located in the Buffalo Bill Center of the West. Also in September, Cori conducted a webinar training highlighting Aspen's key features and sharing practical tips with library professionals to make the most of what the software has to offer.

The WYLD team has also been busy providing support for library closures; one temporary closure in Powell for construction, and another permanent branch closure in Carbon County. They have also continuously given support to

Wyoming libraries by answering questions, helping with problem solving, assisting with patron purges, loads, and customization, and delivering necessary training.

A large-scale project currently in the works is developing a more efficient in-network interlibrary loan (ILL) system. This ILL system project aims to simplify and streamline a better approach to in-network borrowing and lending with a preliminary testing phase currently underway. A wider testing phase is planned for early 2025.

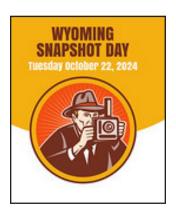
The WYLD office continues to provide nonstop support to Wyoming libraries throughout by answering questions, assisting with original cataloging requests, offering training opportunities, and guiding libraries through patron purges, loads, and customizing options.

The WYLD Network is a consortium of 100+ public, academic, school, and special Wyoming libraries that shares technology and resources in an effort to make library materials and collections available to every resident of the state. Support from the WYLD Support team at the Wyoming State Library is available through their online support, email at support@ wyldnetwork.org, via phone during the day by calling 1-800-264-1281, and after hours by

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calling 307-222-9453. Find a complete list of WYLD services here.



WYOMING SNAPSHOT DAY BY THE NUMBERS

Last month, over thirty Wyoming libraries participated in Wyoming Snapshot Day by sending in photos and patron

comments. A huge "thank you" to all who participated!

Statistics were also collected during this event. Here's a look at what happens in Wyoming libraries in just one day!

On October 22, 2024, our Wyoming WYLD libraries:

- circulated 11,476 items, including 4,095 children's items:
- issued 121 new library cards and renewed 140;
- added 1,145 items to their catalogs;
- and made 3,171,458 items available to Wyoming's residents in their collections.

WYLDcat Aspen use included 5,754 sessions, 4,502 users, 20,322 views, and 18,495 searches.

Libby by OverDrive served 3,047 unique users with 4,313 total checkouts including 1,420 ebooks, 2,234 audiobooks, and 659 magazines. In GoWYLD, patrons made 673 visits to the A to Z databases list, including 882 total views to 56 different guides.

As the numbers show, our Wyoming libraries make BIG impact! To see photos from this year's Wyoming Snapshot Day (WSD), please visit the WSD website.

Around the State

LIBRARY DIRECTORS GATHER IN JACKSON FOR ANNUAL WORKSHOP



Library directors from throughtout the state took part in the annual Wyoming Directors Workshop in beautiful Jackson, Wyoming.

Last month, library directors from across Wyoming gathered in Jackson, Wyoming, for several days of collaborative work and networking. During the October 16-18 event, twenty-two directors participated in instruction and conversations that explored visions and actions for community engagement, developed their self-awareness as leaders, enhanced their understanding of tools to effectively navigate change, and leveraged the experience in the group to promote greater collective efficacy. Rose Hendricks of River Story Coaching provided training on the first day of the event, and participants received instruction from Conrrado Saldivar and Darcy Lipp-Acord on the topic of Law for Librarians on the second day.

The Directors Retreat is held annually and is an opportunity for both seasoned and new Wyoming library directors to connect with other Wyoming library directors, gain new knowledge, and ask and discuss important questions. First time Wyoming Director's Workshop participants this year included Cass Kvenild and Christopher Murry.

"The annual Library Director's Workshop is easily one of the most beneficial gatherings for Wyoming library directors," said Abby Beaver, Wyoming State Librarian. "We have the focused time to discuss and troubleshoot issues, participate in workshops geared to our unique needs, and most importantly, we have the opportunity to bond, connect, and learn from one another."

CCPL HOSTS INDIGENOUS FOOD SOVEREIGNTY PRESENTATION WITH CHEF YAZZIE



Chef Yazzie plates some delicious indigenous cuisine for CCPL patrons.

The first few days of November were busy ones at the Campbell **County Public** Library. Three events including a cooking class, an indigenous food sovereignty presentation, and a pop-up lunch, all lead by Chef Yazzie, were hosted at the

CCPL's Gillette location on November 1 and 2. CCPL patrons were invited to learn from Chef Yazzie about his ancestral knowledge and how he uses it to create delicious and beautiful modern indigenous cuisine.

Chef Yazzie is from Dennehotso, Arizona, and is based out of Saint Paul, MN. He graduated with a degree of Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Culinary Arts from Saint Paul College in 2016, and is both a delegate of Slow Food Turtle Island Association and a team member at I-Collective: a collective of cooks, chefs, seed keepers, farmers, foragers, and scholars, focused on bringing awareness to the cultural appropriations of indigenous foods of the Americas.

Brian and his fiancée, Danielle Polk (Hoonmana Polk) are the Founders/Owners of Intertribal Foodways, a culinary mission specifically working with and for the betterment of tribal communities, wellness, and health through Indigenous foods. They travel internationally and are available for catering, private dinners, pop-up dinners, chef demos & cooking classes, collaborations, and presentations on indigenous food sovereignty.

"Brian is a fantastic chef and a great educator," said Genevieve Schlekeway, CCPL Programming Coordinator. "We learned a lot!"

In all, 120 CCPL patrons participated in the three Chef Yazzie events. The CCPL hosts a variety of events and programs for patrons of all ages. Check out their website for more information on upcoming events.



Dec 9-15	Hour of Code/Computer Science
	Education Week
Jan 1	New Year's Day/Public Domain Day
Jan 19-22	LibLearnX Conference
Jan 1-30	National Braille Literacy Month

Youth Services

CYBER LEGO LIBRARY KITS AVAILABLE FROM CYBER WYOMING



Cyber Wyoming Alliance is thrilled to offer teachers and their students a unique opportunity to dive into computer science and cybersecurity with their Cyber Lego Library program. Through generous funding from the Wyoming Community Foundation, teachers can now check out a Cyber Lego Kit for an entire semester free of charge!

What's in a Cyber Lego Kit?

Each kit provides everything needed to teach foundational STEM and cybersecurity concepts, including:

- Lego model with lights and wiring
- Raspberry Pi, breadboard, power supply, and cables

- Two laptops and a wireless router
- Comprehensive setup instructions and engaging cyber attack and defense scenarios

Skills Students Will Explore

Using these kits, students will develop skills in:

- Engineering and circuitry
- Networking and Python programming
- Cybersecurity fundamentals with handson attack and defense exercises

How It Works

With step-by-step guidance, students will:

- 1. Build and wire the Lego model
- Connect the Pi, router, and laptops
- 3. Explore programs on the Pi and engage in real-world cybersecurity scenarios

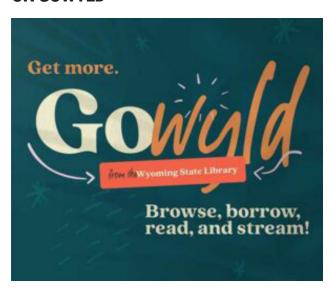
Don't miss out on this exciting resource! Sign up for spring and learn more here: https://www.cyberwyomingorg/lego/.

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Databases & Electronic Resources

FIND CURRENT AND RELIABLE **RESOURCES WITH GALE IN CONTEXT ON GOWYLD**



We all know learning happens both in and out of the classroom, but did you know the Wyoming State Library (WSL) has a collection of databases that can provide students of all ages with helpful and reliable research tools to support their outof-the-classroom learning?

The Gale in Context database collection on **GoWYLD** has eleven subject-based databases with current resources and information on a variety of topics and at a broad range of grade levels. Subjects include biographies of historical

and contemporary people, global issues, U.S. and world history, opposing viewpoints on social issues, and much more.

You can access all of the Gale in Context databases in the Subject Guide and Tutorials tab of GoWYLD, or linked in many of our WSL subject guides.

Help your student find the reliable information they need on GoWYLD with Gale in Context!

"LET'S GO WYLD" PODCAST **INAUGURAL EPISODE**



The Wyoming State Library is pleased to introduce our new podcast, Let's GoWYLD. Our mission is to help you discover and navigate

the wealth of free resources on GoWYLD.net. We'll also provide helpful tips and information that supports you in your pursuit of research, career development, personal enrichment, and life-long learning.

The inaugural episode, "Introduction to the GoWYLD Platform," features Paige Bredenkamp, the WSL's eResources and School Library Consultant, and Greg Mosshammer, the WSL's Marketing Lead, providing an overview of the

GoWYLD platform and highlighting several popular online resources that are available for free (with a library card) to all Wyomingites.

You can access "Let's GoWYLD" on our Spotify page. Get ready to Go WYLD and learn more about all the great, free resources available on the GoWYLD platform. Stay tuned for additional episodes about all GoWYLD has to offer!

FREE ONLINE LIBRARIES AND VETERANS **TOOLKIT AVAILABLE**



November 11 was Veterans Day, a day set aside to recognize, celebrate, and remember those who have served in the United States Armed Forces. A huge "thank you"

to all who have served! Libraries are in a unique position to provide services and resources to all members of the community, including veterans.

The Libraries and Veterans National Forum's website includes a free online Libraries and Veterans Toolkit to help libraries plan programming for their patrons who are veterans. The toolkit contains lesson plans, program outlines, collection development policies, best practice documents, and more to help libraries interested or already engaged in providing resources and programming for veterans. It is browsable by library type, resources, type, programming, audience, and topic, and also includes an extensive bibliography of additional resources.

This helpful resource was born out of efforts of the Texas A&M University Libraries and was funded in part by the Institute of Museums and Library Services. Check out the information and resources in the toolkit, or submit additional resources that could be beneficial to other library professionals.

Wyoming Library **Association**

WLA "WHAT THE TECH" 2024 REVIEW



The "What the Tech" lightning round tour of technology at the 2024 Wyoming **Library Association**

Annual Conference was a great success! Topics at the session included everything from health literacy applications to free 3D printing resources, and several examples of AI. Presenters from many libraries across Wyoming were generous enough to share their time and expertise during this exciting session.

Here are the slides for those who couldn't make it and for those who were there and would like to review them. Also, here are the links and summaries so you can check out these tools yourself:

<u>Literature Map:</u> Check out this AI discovery tool that maps literature, movies, and music to find and present content based on their similarities. Literature Map is part of Gnod, the Global Network of Discovery.

Transkribus: Unlock the past with Transkribus! This website uses AI text recognition to recognize, edit, collaborate on, and interpret written texts. One example shared was that Transkribus has been very helpful when trying to decode genealogical resources from one user's own history!

PBS Eons: Explore the greatest mysteries of natural history with the PBS Eons website, YouTube channel, and podcast.

<u>Unroll.me:</u> Save your precious time and clean up your inbox with the Unroll.me email manager.

Lazy Genius Podcast: The Lazy Genius podcast gives listeners advice and tricks on resolving issues such as time management and calendar logistics, dealing with overwhelm, strengthening friendships, and more.

Gapminder: Gapminder is an independent educational non-profit fighting global misconceptions with quizzes, surveys, and investigative analysis.

Yuka App: The Yuka app is an independent project that deciphers product labels and analyzes the health impact of food products and cosmetics from the convenience of your mobile device.

PATHS-Public Access Telehealth Spaces in **Libraries:** The Public Access Telehealth Spaces (PATHS) Initiative promotes access to safe, secure, and accessible spaces to connect all community members to equitable health and wellness resources and services. In its pilot phase, PATHS has been installed in three Wyoming libraries-Goshen, Natrona, and

<u>I Am Affirmations App:</u> This app is self-care in the palm of your hand! Build connections, confidence, and support your mental health journey with the I Am app that provides thousands of affirmations in its beautifully designed and easy-to-use interface.

Park counties.

3D Printing File Resources (Smithsonian 3D Digitization, NASA 3D Printable Models, National Institute of Health): Learn about technology and history with free 3D printing files from the Smithsonian, NASA, and the NIH!

Trello: Ease your mind with task management by Trello. Create digital workspaces to organize your thoughts/tasks by project, by day, etc. Use Trello for work, chores at home, school, and even meal planning.

Tonie Boxies: Tonie Boxes are screen-free entertainment for children ages Pre-K to 8 years old. They're easy to use and loved by librarians, young patrons, and parents at the Washakie County Library!

Free Mobile Apps for Health Information from NNLM (PubMed4Hh, Dr. Allevable's Lab, HerbList): Build health literacy in your community with these free mobile apps! PubMed for Handhelds is an app from the National Library of Medicine specifically for Android devices that provides a way to search PubMed and free journals. De. Allevable's Lab is a game designed for 5th-9th grade students to learn about regenerative medicine. HerbList is an herb directory provided by the National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health that provides users with details on herbs used in medicine.

<u>Tasty App:</u> The Tasty app is a catalog of recipes, tips and tricks, and grocery list helper for your kitchen. Search recipes by occasion, ingredient, diet, meal type, and more.

AI Song Creator: Make a song about anything even libraries! The free version of this AI resource allows you to generate a few songs (music AND lyrics) each day.

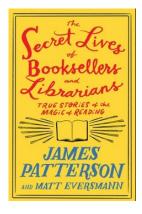
This presentation wouldn't have happened without the people who stepped up to share. Thank you to:

- Anne Kuipers, Wyoming State Library
- David Brown, University of Wyoming/ **NNLM**
- Kate Much, Natrona County Library
- Savannah Parris, Wyoming State Library
- Judi Boyce, Sublette County Library

- Karri Savage, Washakie County Library
- Abby Beaver, Wyoming State Library
- Paige Bredenkamp, Wyoming State Library
- Jessica Otto, Wyoming State Library

People News

FIVE WYOMING LIBRARIANS RECEIVE **BONUS FROM JAMES PATTERSON**



Five Wyoming librarians were nominated and selected as part of a group of over 200 American Library Association members who received a \$200 bonus from author James Patterson. The

award was in celebration of his latest nonfiction book, "The Secret Lives of Booksellers & Librarians," which release in April of 2024.

The Wyoming recipients include:

- Alexander Cook, Teton County Library in Jackson, Wyoming
- LaDonna Leibrich, Sheridan High School in Sheridan, Wyoming

- Jennifer Markus, Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne, Wyoming
- Conrrado Salvidar, Natrona County Library in Casper, Wyoming
- Melissa Snider, Munger Mountain Elementary School in Jackson, Wyoming

Congratulations to our Wyoming librarians who were selected, as well as all of the other winners! Read more here.

Training

FREE WEBINAR- EXPLORING **GOVERNMENT RECORDS**



Please join the Wyoming State Library on December 5, 2024, at 2:00-3:00 **p.m.** for a look into the

often-confusing world of legislative and federal government resources. In this free webinar, "Exploring Government Records: A Guide to the Wyoming Legislation and Federal Document Digital Collections," Vincent Crolla, WSL's Legislative Specialist, explains the Wyoming Legislative database and how to construct a legislative history. In addition, Marcie Blaylock, the WSL's Federal Documents

Librarian, will discuss the federal document digital collection and a selection of federal materials available in the state library's physical collection. Stay tuned for additional information! This will be facilitated by Paige Bredenkamp of the Wyoming State Library. This webinar will be recorded.

Register <u>here</u>.

USPTO'S PTRC OFFERS FREE PATENT AND TRADEMARK WEBINARS

Calling all librarians! The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)'s Patent and Trademark Resource Center (PTRC) Program is once again offering our series of free webinars open to the public. The series includes two webinars:

"Getting Started with Patent Public Search" is designed to introduce patent searchers to the Patent Public Search tool and now offers an introduction to search strategy. "Patents for Librarians" and "Trademarks for Librarians" are designed for professional librarians and library staff. Attendees will learn basic patent and trademark concepts and will be able to help direct library patrons to USPTO's intellectual property resources and to PTRC libraries for further assistance. The webinars have recently been improved and updated so that we are providing library professionals with the most current information about intellectual property.

Upcoming webinars are listed below. Click on the link for each webinar to register:

Getting Started with Patent Public Search,

December 9, 2024, 12:00-1:00 pm Mountain Time-The PTRC Program offers a monthly webinar to the public that introduces new patent searchers to USPTO's patent search tool Patent Public Search.

Patents for Librarians, December 11, 2024, 12:00-1:00 pm Mountain Time-This webinar is designed for library professionals to become familiar with basic patent concepts, USPTO's intellectual property resources, and identify PTRC libraries that can provide further assistance.

Trademarks for Librarians, December 12, 2024, 2:00-3:00 pm Mountain Time-This webinar is designed for library professionals to become familiar with basic trademark concepts, USPTO's intellectual property resources, and identify PTRC libraries that can provide further assistance.



Professional Opportunities



Are you ready to break the mold, share your wildest ideas, and show off what you bring to the table? Proposals

are currently being accepted for The Collective 2025: Doowutchyalike to be held April 15-17, 2025 at MeadowView Conference Resort & Convention Center in Kingsport, Tennessee. (The theme, *Doowutchyalike* is inspired by Digital Underground's classic track.)

The Collective 2025 will be ditching the norms, throwing out the same-old-same-old, and making room for YOU. They're calling all library workers, mavericks, risk-takers, and anyone with a library-adjacent or totally non-library talent, skill, or passion they've been itching to share. Maybe it's time to demo your quirky productivity hack, share that "out there" tech idea, or finally teach others that skill you've mastered on the side!

Here are some ideas to spark your creativity:

-Have a rad non-library skill? Maybe you can teach us all how to do something awesome outside of the library world! (Can anyone

say "Librarians that Breakdance"? Just kidding...unless?)

-Got a big idea that doesn't fit into a typical session? This is the place to make it happen. From out-there technology concepts to fresh programming approaches—go wild!

-Library-adjacent? Share what you do to keep your creativity alive. Ever tried something unexpected that sparked a lightbulb moment in your library work? Conference participants want to hear about it!

Sessions can be creative, collaborative, and totally your style. This year's theme, "Doowutchyalike", is a call to break out of the ordinary and showcase YOUR unique contributions to the library universe (and beyond!).

Ready to submit? Hit the proposal review team up with your brilliant, outlandish, and visionary ideas by December 31, 2024 using this link.

Library Jobs

Librarian-Youth Services Consultant

Wyoming State Library Cheyenne, WY Open until filled Posted October 17, 2024 Vacancy Announcement

Senior Library Technician

Park County Library System Cody, WY Open until filled Posted November 22, 2024 Vacancy Announcement

Assistant Librarian-Collection Management Librarian

University of Wyoming-Resource Discovery and **Management Division** Laramie, WY Open until filled Posted October 17, 2024 Vacancy Announcement

Public Services Librarian

Sweetwater County Library System Rock Springs, WY Open until filled Posted October 8, 2024 Vacancy Announcement

Library Branch Manager

Fremont County Library System Riverton, WY Open until filled Posted October 7, 2024 Vacancy Announcement

Library Director

Converse County Library System Douglas, WY Open until filled Posted July 29, 2024 **Vacancy Announcement**

Grant and Award Opportunities

<u>Libraries Transforming Communities:</u> **Accessible Small and Rural Communities**

Deadline: December 11, 2024

Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities will offer more than \$7 million in grants to small and rural libraries to increase the accessibility of facilities, services, and programs to better serve people with disabilities. To be eligible, a library must have a legal area population of 25,000 or less and be located at least five miles from an urbanized area, in keeping with the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) definitions of small and rural libraries. ALA will award four rounds of grants to be distributed over the next four years ranging from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Participating libraries will first conduct community input-gathering sessions to assure that their work aligns with local needs. Libraries will be required to identify the primary audience they are hoping to reach (e.g., homebound seniors, children with autism, Deaf community members) and facilitate a community conversation with the impacted populations in order to guide the improvement of the library's services. Grantees would then use the funds to

create services or improve their facilities based on the needs identified by their audience.

AASL Grants and Awards for School Libraries

Deadlines: February 1, 2025

The American Association of School Librarians (AASL) provides several awards and grants for personal members, including:

ABC-CLIO Leadership Grant: up to \$1,750 for AASL school library association leadership programs at the state, regional, or local levels

Innovative Reading Grant: \$2,500 to support a unique and innovative program for K-9th learners which motivates and encourages reading, especially with struggling readers

Roald Dahl's Miss Honey Social Justice Award:

\$2,000 to a librarian, up to \$1,000 travel to attend the Awards Ceremony, and a \$5,000 book donation by Penguin Random House for collaboration and partnerships between school librarians and teachers in teaching social justice

Penguin Random House & United for **Libraries Grants to Rural and Small** Libraries

Application Dates: February 3-17, 2025

Penguin Random House, in partnership with United for Libraries, is offering grants to support rural and small U.S. libraries. Grants of \$500

and \$1,000 will be awarded, from a total grant pool of \$25,000. In-kind book donation grants of \$500 will also be awarded to 20 libraries to purchase Penguin Random House titles. Along with the grants, recipients will receive free eLearning from United for Libraries, including monthly webinars on leveraging grant funds to support libraries. Free sessions will help libraries prepare for the application process and strengthen their grant-writing skills. For more details and to register, visit this United for Libraries form.

Wyoming Humanities' Indian Education for All Program

Deadline: Ongoing

One of the best ways to fulfill the Indian Education for All Act is to have Tribal Knowledge Keepers visit Wyoming classrooms. This is not always feasible because costs for travel and honorarium to those wanting to share their valuable wisdom. To address these challenges, Wyoming Humanities is offering funds for K-12 educators in Wyoming to bring an Indigenous Knowledge Keeper into their school, classroom, or field trip. All requests for support should help fulfill Indian Education for All standards and requirements. Wyoming Humanities will offer one-time compensation to support the inclusion of Indigenous Knowledge Keeper in the classroom, including: a \$350 Honoraria (a "thank you" for the Indigenous Knowledge Keeper's time and energy) and \$200 in travel

funds (if 100+ miles roundtrip) Payment will be made directly to the Indigenous Knowledge Keeper. Funding is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. If payment is required prior to the classroom visit, apply at least six weeks before the visit. If payment is NOT required prior to the classroom visit, apply at least four weeks before the visit.

Wish You Well Foundation

Deadline: Ongoing

The Wish You Well Foundation supports adult and family literacy in the United States by fostering the development and expansion of new and existing adult literacy and educational programs. The focus is on supporting nonprofit organizations that teach adults the literacy skills they need to communicate, grow, and thrive within their communities. Grants amounts range from \$200 to \$10,000.

Scholastic Possible Fund

Deadline: Ongoing

The Scholastic Possible Fund was established to provide a single repository of quality children's books to be donated to charity partners that share the Company's mission to improve global literacy and put books into the hands of children who might otherwise have none. The Fund seeks to improve access to books in underserved communities and to provide relief in communities recovering from crises or natural disasters. The non-profit partners receiving donations from the Fund have demonstrated the ability to effectively educate children and families in diverse communities about the importance of books and reading from birth through adulthood.

Jan Stauber-Sherlock Holmes **Literacy Grant**

Deadline: Ongoing

The mission of the Jan Stauber Grants is to provide needed financial assistance to persons and organizations developing literacy programs and other educational experiences that will introduce young people to Sherlock Holmes. Educators or librarians can be awarded up to \$1,000 for a project that encourages young people to read and introduces them to Sherlock Holmes.

Books Save Lives Grant

Deadline: Ongoing

Each Books Save Lives Grant will provide up to \$5,000 per school library. The grant money must be used toward purchasing diverse books and the books must remain on the shelves for a minimum of three years. Applicants must nominate a school library within the United States to receive a Books Save Lives Grant. Applications may be completed anonymously. The grant must be used to purchase diverse books for school libraries. Winning libraries may select titles and quantities based on book lists provided by WNDB. We will ship the books

directly to the school. *Note: we will continue* adding books to the lists. Winning schools must provide a signed written agreement that the books they receive via the grant will remain on shelves for a minimum of three years.

Art Resources Transfer's Library Program

Deadline: Ongoing

This program provides free books on contemporary art to public institutions nationwide. Public libraries, public schools, prisons, and reading centers that self-define as under-served are eligible to order free books through our Library Program. Institutions can order anytime throughout the year. Books are entirely free and shipped free of charge.

The Pilcrow Foundations Children's Book **Project Program Grant**

DEADLINE: Rolling The Pilcrow Foundation, a national non-profit public charity, provides a 2-to-1 match to rural public libraries that receive a grant through its Children's Book Project and contribute \$200-\$400 through a local sponsors for the purchase of up to \$1,200 worth (at retail value) of new, quality, hardcover children's books. We provide a list of over 500 quality hardcover children's books from which Children's Book Project grant recipients can select books best suited for their community. The book list includes award-winning and star-reviewed titles from educational and literary organizations.

Black Hills Corporation Community Giving

DEADLINE: Ongoing

Areas of focus are arts and culture, civic and community development, education, environment, human services, and youth development. Giving limited to Black Hills Energy service areas.

BNSF Railway Foundation Grants

DEADLINE: Ongoing

Supports organizations and programs that support and improve the general welfare and quality of life in the communities in which BNSF Railway Company operates. Generally, they will consider requests for funding that clearly fall within one or more of the following categories: civic services, cultural organizations, educational institutions, health and human service organizations, youth organizations, and a federally recognized tribal government.

T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program

DEADLINE: Ongoing

T-Mobile is investing \$25M in 500 rural towns over 5 years to jumpstart projects and build stronger communities. These grants can be used to help upgrade tech at your local library, build new hiking trails, revitalize historic buildings, and more.

Share the News!

Do you have colleagues who aren't on the Outrider mailing list? Encourage them to sign up and catch all the library news.

News in Brief

What is a Culture of Workplace Wellbeing?

This blog post defines what a culture of workplace well-being is and explains key elements this culture should include.

Level Up with Professional Development

Between program prep, collection development, and working on the public desk, youth librarians always have something to do. But even though we are already busy, it is worth it to add professional development to our schedules. This blog post includes five tips to getting started with professional development.

Teaching Geometry and Technology: Does Size Matter?

How are emerging technologies changing early math education? How can children's librarians make use of these advances and accompanying research?

Health, Digital, and Research Literacy **Support for Your Library Patrons**

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