

Buffalo River Regional Library Report

November 2016

Upcoming Workshops & Events

Date	Subject	Speaker	Location
Nov. 16	Effective Library Leadership: DiSC Training	Gail Spragins	BRRL
Dec. 9	Children/YA Roundtable		BRRL
Jan. 17	E-rate Review	Jennifer Cowan-Henderson	BRRL

Public Library Leadership Academy: The first PLLA will be held Nov. 7th thru Nov. 9th. This training program is designed for second-tier library staff who want to improve their leadership skills . It is limited to 24 participants. Three individuals from the Buffalo River Region have been selected to participate: David Dansby, Hickman County Public; Dana Juriew, Spring Hill Public Library; Jena Gray, Fayetteville-Lincoln County.

Trustee Certification Program: A great way to learn more about your responsibilities as a library trustee is the online Trustee Certification Program. Sign up for the program at: <http://tsla.libguides.com/trusteecert>
After registration you have one year to complete the ten sessions.

Tennessee R.E.A.D.S.: OverDrive has ended its partnership with Barnes & Noble so there will be no magazines available on READS after November 6. OverDrive is working on its own magazine service so we hope to add magazines back to the collection sometime in 2017. A major improvement to the READS site will take effect on November 9, 2016. Some of the improvements are: keeps the user signed into the site; title recommendation is simplified; one click checkout process.

Regional News:

Ardmore: The library has received a matching grant from the Dekko Foundation to enlarge the children's room by approximately 1200 sq. ft. Martena Koken, a member of the local board, was recently appointed by the County Commission as a member of the Buffalo River Regional Library Board of Trustees.

Hickman County – long-time Director Mary Beth Pruett is retiring in November.

Lewis County – Director Crystal Nash has been appointed County Archivist. The library board is seeking funds for an addition to the library building to house the County Archives.

Lincoln County – Library Director Jill Rael has resigned to take the position of Assistant Regional Library Director in Stones River (Murfreesboro).

Marshall County – the Foundation appropriated \$25,000 and the County Commission contributed \$5000 to hire a consultant to conduct a needs assessment for library buildings and services. The Library hired Maureen Arndt of 720 Design.

Maury County – the County appropriated \$30,000 to hire a consultant to conduct a needs assessment for library buildings and services. The Library Board selected 720 Design of Texas.

Spring Hill – the Library has added the online music service, Freegal. This service allows card holders to download 3 songs per week (that do not have to be returned) and stream 3 hours of music daily.