

# Buffalo River Regional Library Report

## October 2016

### Upcoming Workshops & Events

Date	Subject	Speaker	Location
Oct. 21	Staff Issues: Hiring, Accountability and Appreciation	Nancy Reese	BRRL
Oct. 24 (new date!)	BRRL Board of Trustees Meeting		Lewis County Public Library
Nov. 16	Effective Library Leadership: DiSC Training	Gail Spragins	BRRL

**Public Library Leadership Academy:** The first PLLA will be held Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> thru Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. 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.:** Circulation in FY 15/16 was 2,679,928. A total of 21,663 items were added during the year. Of that number 95% checked out 10 or more times. The most popular title was A Murder in Time by MacElwain. It has circulated 3308 times since first purchased in April 2016.

OverDrive has ended its partnership with Barnes & Noble so there will be no magazines available on READS after mid-November. OverDrive is working on its own magazine service so we hope to add magazines back to the collection sometime in 2017.

### 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.

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

**Lawrence County** – For the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the library Asst. Director Clint Alley led a tour around the town square recounting stories of Civil War incidents that took place in the County. This was so popular that he is planning another tour for late October. This one will focus on the Mimosa Cemetery, one of the oldest in the County and the resting place of many prominent citizens.

**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.

**Marshall County** – the County appropriated \$25,000 and the Library Foundation 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.