

Buffalo River Regional Library Report

September 2016

Upcoming Workshops & Events

Date	Subject	Speaker	Location
Sept. 26	Tri-Regional Trustee Workshop	Various	Clarksville
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

Data Collection FY 15/16: It is time for libraries to begin entering data into the Annual Data Collection Survey. The deadline for completion is October 5. This survey asks questions about all aspects of library service, from budget to Summer Reading attendance. A webinar was offered on Wednesday, September 7, to introduce the online data collection form, discuss changes from last year's form, and introduce a couple of new survey questions. Eventually this data is sent to the federal government who then compiles the data from every state to provide an overview of public libraries in FY 15/16.

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.

Regional News:

Ardmore: The library has received a matching grant from the Dekko Foundation to enlarge the children's room.

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.

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 has not yet determined who to hire for this assessment.

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.