

Buffalo River Regional Library Report
October 2017

Upcoming Workshops & Events

Date	Subject	Speaker	Location
Oct 13; Nov 17	Trustee Certification Challenge Days		BRRL
Oct. 16	BRRL Board meeting		BRRL
Oct. 17	Early Childhood Literacy	Jinx Watson	BRRL
Nov. 3, 9-11	Writing a Technology Plan	Gina Hunter/Caleb Wray	BRRL
Nov. 3, 12-4	Vendor Fair and Showcase	Various	BRRL
Dec. 1	Summer Reading Roundtable	Kate Smith/Anne Osborne	BRRL

New Trustee Orientation: This service is available for all new trustees. If interested, speak with your library director to arrange a date and time for a regional representative to provide it at your library.

Trustee Certification Program: Learn more about your responsibilities as a library trustee through 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.*

FREE Online Tutorials: TechBoomers (<https://techboomers.com>) contains guided online courses on the most popular websites and apps out today. These tutorials were created for those who desire basic instructions on using online shopping websites, educational sites, the latest social media apps and more.

Grant Opportunities:

- **The TOP grant** is available and applications are now being accepted. Deadline is December 1, 2017. Each library who applies for training will receive training funds. The training funds require a match that is based on your library level. More information: <http://bit.ly/2yqM7og>
- TSLA has partnered with the Department of Economic and Community Development to provide competitive grant funding for public libraries interested in developing or creating a STEM program using broadband and digital technology. More information: <http://bit.ly/2yqM7og>

READS News: The Libby app has been released for use with READS. It keeps track of your checkouts, consolidates all items into a single bookshelf and allows automatic downloading of e-books and audiobooks: <http://bit.ly/2gMAAaE>. Also, on the Overdrive website there is a new feature that automatically keeps a history of books downloaded to a library account. Patrons have the option to turn this feature off at any time.

Regional News:

Maury Co. – It was determined as a result of the recent needs assessment that 16,000 titles need to be weeded from the Mount Pleasant branch.

Giles Co. – Due to the 49% increase in their annual budget the main library is now open 7 days a week.

Hickman Co. – Library director David Dansby has been accepted into the PLMI program and begins his first week long classroom session of this program in November.

Williamson Co. - All WCPL branches are now open on Mondays.

Spring Hill - New construction plans have been put on hold as the city considers moving the library to a new location.

Resources:

Buffalo River Regional Library Libguide: <http://tsla.libguides.com/brrl>

Friends of Tennessee Libraries (FOTL): <http://www.friendstnlibraries.org>