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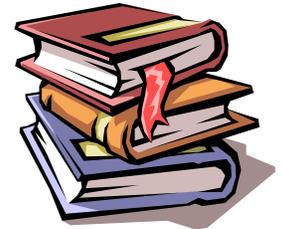
Celebrating Babies and Tots Institutes

From PUBYAC

Blog/Website Requesting Favorite Book Submissions From Librarians

Davenport Public Library has launched this week a new website: <http://www.booksecret.org>. The aim of the site is to challenge library staff around the world to share one great book by sending in a photo of themselves holding the book and describing it in only 7 words.

Their official stance on submitting more than one picture is that you need to alter your appearance for each photo you take. If you're willing to put on a hat, a wig, or a false mustache, we'd be happy to post you again!



For people who have trouble choosing only one book, I've suggested that they focus on diversity and originality. Go with the book you think is less likely to be chosen by another library member. That way we have the broadest possible collection.

(Although, to be honest, we're absolutely FLOORED that no one yet has chosen *The Fault in Our Stars*. We knew Harry Potter would go quickly, but we thought *TFIOS* was right behind.)

In all seriousness, we're having a blast seeing what books people are choosing, and we will happily post whatever photo you send us and add links to your library on our site.

Posted February 4, 2014 by Lydia Meiner, Manchester Public Library, Manchester, IA 52057 ■

Dates to Remember

Regional Early Literacy Activity Center Exchanges, Spring 2014

Thursday, March 6.....	Waynesboro Public Library	Waynesboro
Friday, March 7	Bedford Public Library.....	Central Library
Friday, March 28	Pamunkey Library System.....	Ashland
Thursday, April 3	Southside Regional Library	Boydton Public Library
Tuesday, April 8.....	Chesapeake Public Library	Central Library
Friday, April 11.....	Tazewell County Public Library	Tazewell
Thursday, April 17.....	Middlesex County Public Library	Location to be announced
Friday, May 2.....	Prince William County Library System.....	Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas

Training

December 9, 2013-January 3, 2014.....	Introduction to Moodle.....	online course
January 13-February 14, 2014.....	Early Literacy and Books: Making the Connection.....	online course
January 13-February 14, 2014.....	Libraries and Autism: We're Connected.....	online course
February 17-March 21, 2014	Early Literacy and Books: Making the Connection.....	online course

STEM Resources

LPI Earth and Space Science News

The **LPI Earth and Space Science News** is available on our website, and also through a regularly updated RSS feed.

<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/resources/news/>

Included in this issue:

- Link to Yuri's Night, National Environmental Education Week, a total lunar eclipse, Earth Day, Astronomy Day, and more in **Calendar**
- Learn about a summer weather workshop by NOAA, Texas Space Grant's LiftOff summer institute, a lunar workshop for middle school teachers, a Houston weather workshop for elementary teachers, a videoconference workshop series in Spanish on weather and climate, and more at **Workshops and Courses**
- Check out online seminars about Near-Earth Asteroids, a live and online lecture about the universe at the National Air and Space Museum, and a Houston lecture at LPI about Gamma Ray Bursts and Supernovae in **Events**
- Participate in the new citizen science project *DiskDetective*, send your name on a mission to an asteroid, become a MAVEN educator ambassador, join the *Globe at Night* star counting program, invite high school students to participate in the NASA REEL science video contest, and more in **Get Involved**
- Apply for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, the McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation's grants for teacher development and for student teaching, the Houston Museum of Natural Science's Excellence in Science Awards, the Toshiba grants, ING Unsung Heroes grants, and the Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge in **Grants and Awards**
- Connect to websites for students about weather and climate, video recordings of the Cosmic Exploration Speaker Series, a video interview with Frank Drake, an activity using WISE data to identify brown dwarfs and ultra-luminous infrared galaxies, a video commemorating the 45th anniversary of the Apollo 8 mission, and an activity comparing the Sun's and Earth's magnetic fields in **Resources** 

- Read about research on the habitability of "super-Earths," a new crater on Mars, the climate warming trend for 2013, the discovery of water on Ceres, 5 Earth science missions launching this year, a potential "goldilocks" planet found, and how meteorites may have brought ammonia to early Earth, in **Mission News and Science**

Source: February Education Newsletter from Christine Shupla, Lunar and Planetary Institute. ■

From PUBYAC

YALSA Resources for Summer Reading

Hi All, It's never too early to start planning for your summer reading program. YALSA offers a variety of resources to help you foster summer reading and learning development skills in your teens.

Summer Reading & Learning Website

<http://summerreading.ning.com/>

Find, share, and discuss helpful summer reading/learning related resources with other educator and caregivers. Do you have a great summer reading/learning resource to share? Start a discussion on the Summer Reading and Learning forum!

Learning

STEM Reads4Teens Booklist

http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/STEM_2013mashup.pdf

STEM Programming Toolkit

<http://summerreading.ning.com/page/learning>

Reading

Teen Reading Guide for Parents and Caregivers Handout

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/professionalttools/Handouts/ParentFlyer.pdf>

Teen Book Finder App

<http://summerreading.ning.com/page/teen-book-finder-app>

Need a quick resource for finding book lists and awards? Use our Teen Book Finder App! Download it now for free in the Apple App Store

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/yalsas-teen-book-finder/id527674308?mt=8>

Android version coming soon.

The Complete Summer Reading Program Manual: From Planning to Evaluation

<http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=3730>

An all in one comprehensive guide to planning and evaluating your summer reading program. Available through the ALA Store.

The Institute for Advanced Learning and Research

Use of a STEM Mobile Lab is available for free.

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YA Resources for Summer Reading

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YALSA Booklists and Awards

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/bookawards/booklists/members>

Find great lists of recommended reading for your teen.

Example of some booklists are:

Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers, Great Graphic Novels for Teens, Best Fiction for Young Adults, the Teens' Top Ten, and more.

Promoting

SRP Marketing Tips & Ideas PowerPoint

<http://summerreading.ning.com/page/resources>

Tips and ideas on how to promote/market your summer reading program.

Why Are Summer Reading Programs Important?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FUSgl-KRG2A>

Do you know why summer reading programs are important? Watch the video to find out and then share with others!

Thank you and have a great day!

Posted January 23, 2014 by Anna Lam, Young Adult Library Services Association. ■

American Library Association News

Judy Blume Named Honorary Chair, National Library Week 2014

Judy Blume has been named the 2014 Honorary Chair of National Library Week (April 13-19, 2014).

This year, National Library Week will be celebrated with the theme [Lives change @ your library](#).

As Honorary Chair, Blume will appear in print public service announcements (PSAs) promoting National Library Week. The PSAs, developed by the American Library Association's Campaign for America's Libraries, will be placed in magazines and online throughout the spring. ALA will also offer free customization of the PSAs for libraries.

Adults as well as children will recognize such Judy Blume titles as: "Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret"; "Blubber"; "Just as Long as We're Together"; and the five book series about the irrepressible Fudge. She has also written three novels for adults, "Summer Sisters," "Smart Women" and "Wifey," all of them New York Times best-sellers. More than 80 million copies of her books have been sold, and her work has been translated into thirty-one languages.

Blume is a longtime advocate of intellectual freedom. Finding herself at the center of an organized book banning campaign in the 1980's she began to reach

out to other writers, as well as teachers and librarians, who were under fire. Since then, she has worked tirelessly with the National Coalition Against Censorship and the American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom to protect the freedom to read. She is the editor of "Places I Never Meant To Be: Original Stories by Censored Writers," and is currently writing a novel.

Additional promotional materials include a sample op-ed, proclamation, press release and scripts for use in radio ads. All incorporate the 2014 National Library Week theme, Lives change @ your library. Tools are available at <http://www.ala.org/nlw>.

Source: Press Release, February 4, 2014 ■

Author David Baldacci Weighs in on e-books, Library Budget cuts in @ your library Video

Author **David Baldacci**, who wrote the best-seller "Absolute Power," said he believes publishers will provide libraries with greater access to e-books in a video produced by the American Library Association (ALA) Public Information Office (PIO) for the ALA's website for the public, <http://atyourlibrary.org/>.

Regarding the publishing industry and e-books, he said, "There's a shakeout period. Obviously I think greater access and granting access to libraries for books, e-books, any type of format – audio – is very important. I think the publishers are going to get there. They're trying to figure out how they can do all of this and still make money. As we well know, they have a lot of challenges from enormous competitors out there whose main business is not books, and so it's difficult to compete against behemoths like that. I think that at the end of the day, publishers will provide a lot more access. They just have to figure out how they can make money doing it and make sure the industry survives," he said.

Baldacci's interview is one of more than 100 interviews featuring authors and celebrities sharing their love of libraries. Visit the <http://atyourlibrary.org/> to find stories told by such authors and public figures as **Khaled Hosseini** ("The Kite Runner"), **Laura Moriarty** ("The Chaparone") **John Grisham** ("The Firm"), **Elizabeth Gilbert** ("Eat, Pray, Love"), **Brian Selznick** ("The Invention of Hugo Cabret") and **Steve Sheinkin** ("Bomb"). The website contains not only the videos, but also transcriptions of the material.

In the video, Baldacci shares his memories of libraries.

He says, "Growing up in Richmond, Virginia, we

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David Baldacci Weigh In On E-Books, Budget Cuts

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would go to the library every weekend.

“I was able to sort of see the world in many respects, without ever leaving my hometown. It had a profound effect on me, because if you make a reader early, I think you make a reader for life, and that certainly was the case with me.”

His librarians introduced him, he says, to biographies of famous people that focused on their childhood. Reading them, he “saw how a kid grew up and was able to change the world.”

Later on, he says he used the library for research. For his book “Wish You Well,” set in his native Virginia, he “pretty much camped out at the state library in Richmond,” where he examined WPA reports, oral accounts written down by people in the Depression and genealogical documents.

In the video, he criticizes library budget cuts, saying, “It’s a shortsighted approach, and we’re going to feel the effects.

“If we want to spend money on something that’s going to help this country move forward, we can turn away from the bombs and turn back to the books.”

Baldacci became an author after establishing a career as a lawyer. His novel “Absolute Power,” published in 1996, became an international success and was turned into a film starring Clint Eastwood.

Another novel, “Wish You Well,” was made into a film, for which he wrote the screenplay as well.

<http://atyourlibrary.org/> is the public website for the American Library Association’s public awareness campaign, the Campaign for America’s Libraries, which promotes the value of libraries and librarians.

Source: Press Release, February 6, 2014 ■

@ your library Video Takes You Behind the Scenes at the ALA Youth Media Awards

Last week, the American Library Association (ALA) announced the top books, video and audio books for children and young adults – including the Caldecott, Coretta Scott King, Newbery and Printz awards – at its Midwinter Meeting & Exhibits in Philadelphia.

An enthusiastic and vociferous crowd greeted the announcements on the morning of January 27 at the Philadelphia Convention Center.

What they didn’t see was the months of preparation by the various committees, which culminated in the

ceremony that morning.

In a video produced by the ALA Public Information Office (PIO) for atyourlibrary.org, the ALA’s website for the public, you have a rare chance to take a glimpse behind the scenes, just a few hours before the Youth Media Awards presentation, as the Newbery, Caldecott and Coretta Scott King committees deliver the good news to the winners and those who received honors.

To view the video, visit <http://www.atyourlibrary.org>.

Recognized worldwide for the high quality they represent, ALA awards guide parents, educators, librarians and others in selecting the best materials for youth. Selected by judging committees of librarians and other children’s experts, the awards encourage original and creative work. For more information on the ALA youth media awards and notables, please visit <http://www.ala.org/yma>.

Source: Press Release, February 6, 2014 ■

[Virginia Infant & Toddler Specialist Network](#)

Celebrating All
BABIES AND TOTS
2014

These valuable professional development institutes will increase knowledge and skills to help infant and toddler caregivers/teachers and directors provide positive, inclusive environments to learn, grow, and reach their full potential

Four institutes in Virginia this spring.
See the attachment for more information.

Thanks

for the photos!

- ◆ **Barbara Gumulak and Jennifer Hayek,** Chesterfield County Public Library
- ◆ **Kathy Jacob,** Samuels Public Library



Institutes for early care providers
who serve infants and toddlers!

Celebrating All
BABIES AND TOTS
2014

April 5

Williamsburg

April 26

McLean

May 3

Roanoke

May 17

Richmond



These valuable professional development institutes will increase knowledge and skills to help infant and toddler caregivers/teachers and directors provide positive, inclusive environments where all babies and tots have opportunities to learn, grow, and reach their full potential



For more information or to register on-line
please visit www.va-itsnetwork.org

Celebrating All **BABIES AND TOTS** *2014*

- Increase knowledge and understanding of how to support and advocate for infants and toddlers with disabilities in early care programs
- Learn more about early intervention, inclusion, resources, and successful adaptations to classroom environments
- Challenge thinking about research findings and the impact of early child care experiences on brain development
- Gain information on developmental screening and strategies for using the ASQ-3 screening tool in child care centers and family child care homes
- Promote networking, collaboration, and resource sharing among institute participants



Institute Dates and Locations

April 5, 2014 William & Mary School of Education
301 Monticello Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

April 26, 2014 Crowne Plaza Tysons Corner
1960 Chain Bridge Road
McLean, VA 22102

May 3, 2014 Roanoke Higher Education Center
108 N. Jefferson Street
Roanoke, VA 24016

May 17, 2014 University of Richmond
Jepson Alumni Center
101 College Road
Richmond, VA 23229



Institute Agenda

8:30 am - 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am - 9:15 am Welcome
9:15 am - 10:00 am Opening Session
10:00 am - 10:45 am Keynote Session
10:45 am - 11:00 am Break
11:00 am - 11:45 am Panel
11:45 am - 1:00 pm Lunch Session
1:00 pm - 1:15 pm Break
1:15 pm - 4:30 pm Workshops I and II



The VA ITS Network is a program of Child Development Resources, and is supported by the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Grant #93.575, with funds made available to Virginia from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Institute Sessions



David Hamrick

OPENING SESSION

David Hamrick is a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in the Washington, D.C. area where he works making short-term weather forecasts for the continental United States. A young man with high-functioning autism, Mr. Hamrick is a frequent presenter at conferences throughout Virginia and the nation where he speaks on autism and how autism has personally influenced his life. In his presentation, **Weathering Autism through Childhood and Beyond**, Mr. Hamrick will share his personal experiences from the perspective of an individual with autism beginning with his initial diagnosis and continuing through early adulthood. Participants will gain new insights on the importance of early intervention, speech and occupational therapy, sensory integration, and other services and supports that make a positive difference for individuals with developmental disabilities and special needs.



Pamala Booker

KEYNOTE SESSION

Pamala Booker, with the Partnership for People with Disabilities located at Virginia Commonwealth University, currently works as an infant and toddler specialist for the Virginia Infant & Toddler Specialist Network in the Central region of the state. Ms. Booker has enjoyed more than 23 years of providing direct services to young children and their families as well as providing training and technical assistance to early childhood professionals working in early intervention programs, Head Start, and preschool programs across the country. She has worked as a Senior Program Associate with the Early Head Start National Resource Center at ZERO TO THREE in Washington, D.C. and has extensive experience working with infants and toddlers in natural and inclusive environments. Her keynote session, **With Arms Wide Open, Supporting Infants and Toddlers with Special Needs in Group Care Settings**, will focus on caregivers' essential role to provide inclusive environments for infants and toddlers in child care settings. Her dynamic presentation will also illustrate the wonderful opportunities caregivers have to positively shape children's attitudes and behavior toward individuals with disabilities.

Institute Sessions

PANEL

This interactive panel presentation will include a parent of a child with special needs, a child care provider, an infant and toddler specialist, and a Part C provider who will share perspectives on their individual roles and collaborative work together to help young children reach their full potential.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Workshop session presenters include highly qualified infant and toddler specialists who provide professional development to early care providers as part of the VA Infant & Toddler Specialist Network.

Inclusion Fusion

Everyone can benefit from the joys of working with infants and toddlers with special needs! From the typically developing child, to the caregiver, the family, and the community, Inclusion Fusion highlights numerous ways to reach the full potential of all children. This interactive workshop offers activities to learn more about inclusion, successful adaptations to child care environments, and easy ways to better understand the laws that guide our education and care of infants and toddlers with disabilities. Ideas and strategies for handling confidential information and what to do when concerns arise will be discussed. Resources and important information on supporting individual needs for group success will be shared.

Giving Children Their Best Chance

Infants and toddlers bring a blend of genetics, temperament, fast-paced developmental growth and unique needs to child care settings. Early care providers can be challenged to understand these needs while also recognizing that infants and toddlers must be active participants in their own development. Activities and discussion will be used to help caregivers explore the important role they play to ensure that infants and toddlers are receiving their best chance in the care of adults who understand their uniqueness and plan for each individual child's needs.



Overview of the VA Infant & Toddler Specialist Network



The VA Infant & Toddler Specialist Network strives to achieve excellence in early care by increasing the educational level and skills of those who care for infants and toddlers, whether in family homes or in centers.

Fifteen highly qualified infant and toddler specialists work in eight regional offices across the state. The specialists provide three levels of service designed to strengthen the capacity of early care and education programs to deliver high quality services:

Level 1: On-site consultation services including mentoring and support using quality improvement plans

Level 2: Training and technical assistance (T/TA) to groups of caregivers/teachers and directors

Level 3: Resources and linkages to existing professional development opportunities

Programs receiving services from the VA ITSN have achieved measurable outcomes that indicate improved quality of care for infants and toddlers.

From July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, VA ITSN infant and toddler specialists provided:

- **1,630** on-site events totaling **5,147** hours of intensive technical assistance and training for **2,993** participants
- **759** training events, totaling over **1,479** training hours to **6,960** infant and toddler caregivers/teachers and directors
- **460** other events including marketing, networking, follow up T/TA, and peer post assessments for **699** hours to **641** participants

In total, services included **2,849** events totaling **7,325** hours for **10,594** participants.

Institute Registration

Pre-registration is required.

Space is limited, registration is on first-come, first-served basis.

**Register on-line at www.va-itsnetwork.org
or complete this form (one per person) and return with payment.**

Mail to VA ITSN, P. O. Box 280, Norge, VA 23127

Fax to: 757-566-8710, attention: Debbie C.

For questions, contact Debbie C. at debbiec@cdr.org or (757)566-2875.

Registration fee: \$20.00 if received by March 7.

\$30.00 if received after March 7.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Name of infant and toddler program where you work:

This is a: Family child care home Child care center
 Other _____

Your role with infants and toddlers:

Director/Owner Teacher/Caregiver
 Other _____

Institute you would like to attend (select one):

April 5 in Williamsburg **April 26 in McLean**
 May 3 in Roanoke **May 17 in Richmond**

Lunch is included. Please indicate preference:

Standard box lunch Vegetarian lunch
 Special dietary requirements: _____

The registration fee is non-refundable. See registration fee above.

Enclosed is a check, made payable to CDR.

Please charge to the credit card number below:

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Name on Card: _____ Security Code: _____

Billing Address: _____

Billing Phone: (____) _____