

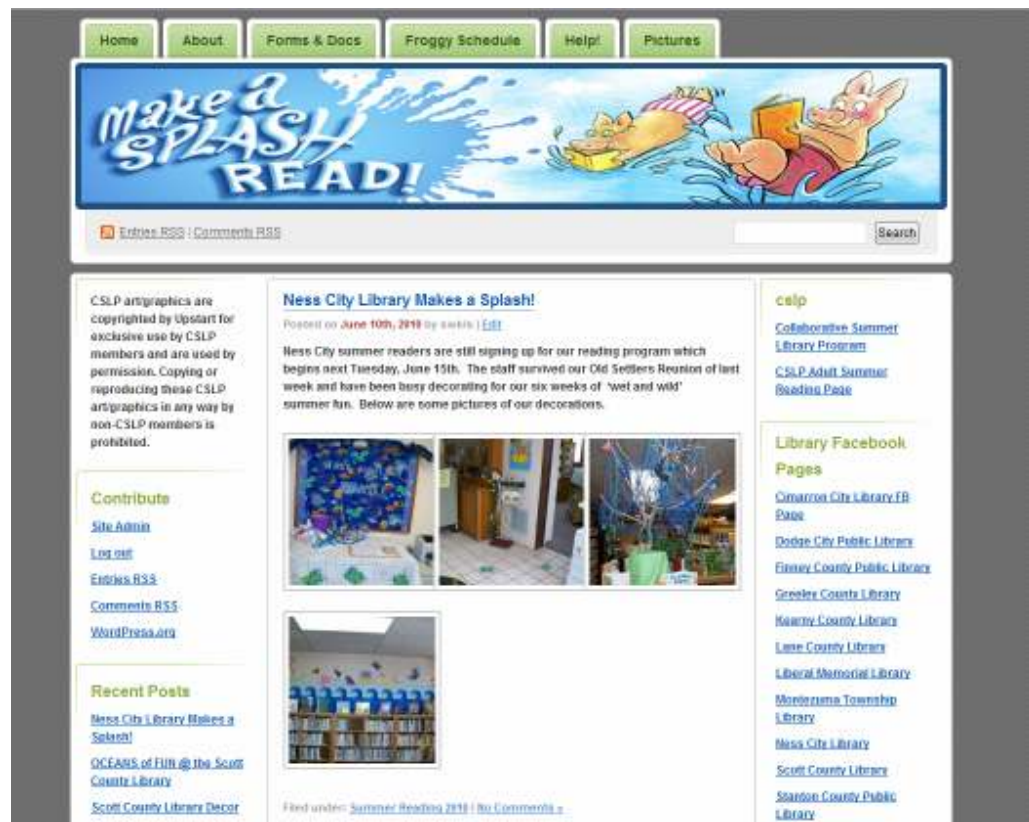
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Dive Into SWKLS Summer Reading Blog!

By Janelle Mercer, Assistant Technology Consultant

As most of you have heard, we again have the SWKLS Summer Reading Blog up and going. To check it out go to: <http://swklsreads.mykansalibrary.org>. So far we have had 14 posts from various libraries and several pictures uploaded to Flickr and to the blog. From the pictures people have posted and what we have seen during library visits, it looks like everyone is having a great time decorating and getting into Summer Reading! If your library hasn't posted yet, please do! So far Protection Township Library, Stevens County Library, Ness City Public Library, and Scott County Public Library have posted. Thank you to these four libraries for getting the ball rolling!



If you are unsure how to post to the blog or if you get stuck trying to post, please don't hesitate to call or email Janelle, jjarboe@swkls.org, at the SWKLS office. There is also a Help button on the blog that will take you to a webpage with instructions.

Healthy Kids Challenge!



It all started at the request of some of your colleagues! Southwest Kansas Libraries participating in another Healthy Kids Challenge* community grant, found the experience so rewarding, they recommended it be offered to you too! Thanks to funding by the **United Methodist Health Ministry Fund**, and help from Healthy Kids Challenge and the Kansas Library System, you have that opportunity! The grant, **Reading – Smart Eating – Moving...Balance My Day**, is designed for Kansas libraries who offer programs for preschoolers and their families. Not only does it provide for fun, interactive 'edutainment,' centered around reading, healthy eating, physical activity and less screen time, it allows for you to pick and choose from ideas that will work best for you and your programs.

Reading – Smart Eating – Moving...Balance My Day is for all preschool age children. Regardless of weight, most kids are not making healthy eating and physical activity choices. The grant helps develop positive attitudes and choices. Along with physical activity, fruit and vegetables are the primary focus of healthy eating for this grant.

Workshop Highlights

Get ready to get up and move, taste, and explore healthy eating and physical activity from the eyes of a preschooler! You'll experience a fun but full six hour training and take home resources assembled to form a library eating and activity "toolkit". You'll have the opportunity to explore a checklist of program ideas for your library. Your Healthy Kids Challenge trainer will provide you the time and guidance to consider what you might want to go back and add into your programs and help you develop a simple action plan to get started. The day will include:

- Ideas for bulletin boards, newsletter articles, and displays.
- Fruit and veggie and active movement ideas that connect to reading during pre-school story time and with other community programs and events
- Ways to include healthy eating and physical activity connections as a part of book bag programs
- Take home family simple activities to further support the lesson
- Ideas for how to get your staff interested and involved
- Tips for adding a healthy eating/physical activity component in outreach programs such as library childcare provider workshops
- You'll also get to hear from your colleagues who have successfully done this in their programs

Workshop Date: October 20, 2010 (This is a different date from the last information!)

Where: Dodge City Public Library – Lower Level

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Watch for registration and details for lunch

After the workshop, for a full year, you will have a Healthy Kids Challenge "coach" who will provide follow-up phone and email assistance to assist you with implementing healthy activities at your library! A resource to help you plan events, programs, problem solve issues, and just help you celebrate success of adding healthy eating and physical activity into your library framework! What a great way to make a difference for kids across Kansas!

*Healthy Kids Challenge (HKC) is a Kansas-based 501(c)3, directed and staffed by registered, licensed dietitians skilled in working with community and school programs. With a mission to "help school, health, business and community leaders take action for kids to eat, move, and enjoy a healthy balance", HKC focuses on education that makes healthy eating and physical activity appealing, welcoming, and easy to implement.

Kansas Reads to Preschoolers 2010!

The State Library of Kansas and the Kansas Center for the Book proudly announces *Up, Down and Around* by Katherine Ayres as the selection for the Sixth Annual Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Week. Kansas First Lady Stacy Parkinson will serve as honorary chair for the special week, Nov. 14-20, 2010.

“Reading to our children is a great way to spur their imagination and help establish a life-long love of learning,” said First Lady Parkinson. “I am honored to serve as the chair of this effort, and I encourage every adult to take time to read to a child.”

State Librarian Jo Budler explained, “a child develops language skills before he or she is able to speak, and they develop literary skills long before they can begin to read. So much learning capacity

occurs in a child’s first three years that it is imperative that we read to every baby, toddler, and preschooler.”

The 2010 *Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Week* will focus on food, nutrition and where our food comes from, which is why *Up, Down and Around* is the statewide book selection.

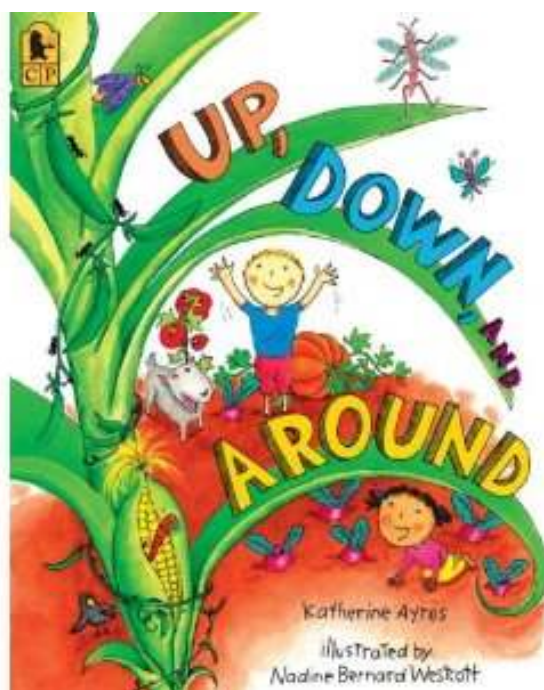
Local libraries play a big role in early childhood reading and are instrumental to the success of Kansas Reads to Preschoolers. Libraries all over the state will plan special displays of food and nutrition-related books, schedule activities, organize pre-school story hours, and invite participation by various food and nutrition professionals.

It’s estimated that during the Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Week, more than 20,000 Kansas preschoolers will be read to by

parents, grandparents, children’s librarians, mayors, elected officials, middle and high school students and many, many others.

More information on the program, including ideas for activities and crafts for teachers, parents, and caregivers can be found at the website: <http://www.kcfb.info>. More information about the book and author can be found at: <http://www.katherineayres.com/updown.html>

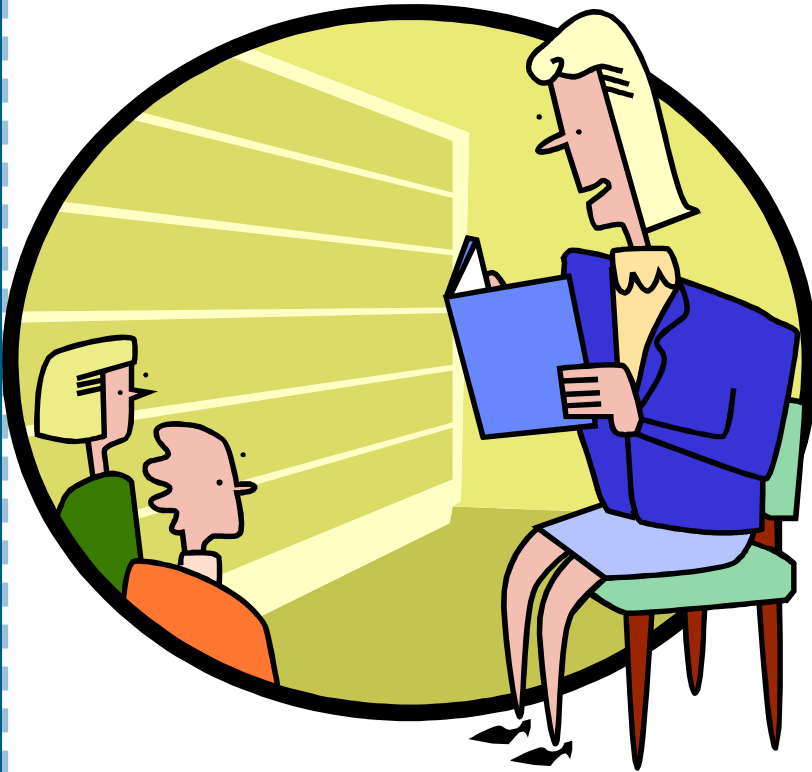
The Kansas Center for the Book is a state affiliate of the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress. As a program of the *State Library of Kansas* since 2005, the Center’s role is to promote Kansas books, authors, libraries, booksellers, publishers, and the book community, and to foster awareness of literacy and the literary heritage of the state. For more information, visit our website: <http://www.kcfb.info>.



Storytime Tips

By Emily Sitz, Director, SWKLS

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I was fortunate to have an outstanding children's librarian for a mentor when I worked for the Fort Worth Public Library. Miss Jaye was always 'on', she never failed to remain cool yet somehow in control of preschool storytimes, and her bag of tricks was deep. When I was browsing through the Spring 2010 edition of the Association for Library Service to Children's journal *Children & Libraries*, I stopped to read "Managing Children's Behavior in Storytimes". The authors' approach to storytime reminded me of Miss Jaye.

Authors Carrie Rogers-Whitehead and Jennifer Fay introduce their topic by reminding the reader of the important

role that storytime has in fostering a positive library experience and a love of books. Considering that research shows support for libraries, even from non-users, is often connected to early memories of library storytime and children's librarians, having a positive storytime experience is all the more important.

Successful storytimes are a combination of a good set-up, thoughtful preparation, the willingness to go to Plan B at anytime, and the weather. We can't control the weather but we can strive for the rest.

A few of the tips provided by the authors include:

- **Create a separate space for you and the children**—designated by a rug or other objects. Designate a formalized area for you to sit.
- **Know each child's name**—this is helpful in dealing with distracted children.
- **Have a code word to gain the children's attention and focus.** Call out one half of a phrase and they can call out the other. (A quick and familiar fingerplay or rhyme will also do wonders)
- **Stop reading.** If you are losing the children's interest in the middle of the book, do not be afraid to stop reading the book or quickly paraphrase it to finish it faster.
- **Have the children participate in the story.** Say, "Everytime I say the word 'dog', I want you to put your hands on your head". This will make them concentrate on the story more while they wait for you to say the specific word or phrase.
- **Lower your voice.** You can do this in quiet and transition times, while addressing the group, or in the middle of a story for added effect.

Storytime Tips (cont.)

- **Treat storytime as an art, not a task.** ...read your books numerous times before you perform them. If audience members can sense your love of books and storytime, they will be more transfixed by the performance.

Good Planning in Large Storytimes (these tips will work for any size of storytime crowd!)

- **First and foremost, choose fun books.** Choose something with large, bold illustrations; a clear plot; great rhythm; lots of interaction and humor; and a bit of suspense.
- **Aim at three-year-olds.** With a two- to five-year-old range or even a zero- to six-year-old range, choose stories and activities for the listening level of three-year-olds. Start with your longest book and move toward the easiest or most fun book, with some kind of fingerplay or song in between each title.
- **Resist the urge to sacrifice quality for theme.** Themes can be a lot of fun and are a good way to focus your planning, but they are much more important to librarians than kids....you will lose them if you bring in a boring book just because it fits into your theme.
- **Repeat, repeat, repeat.** Try to do each fingerplay and song two to three times to give the children a chance to absorb it... When they know the words, they enjoy saying them along with you, which will draw their attention back to what

you are doing and refocus their energy on you. They especially love it if you use the same fingerplays and songs from week to week.

- **Stay focused on the mood of the crowd,** and make adjustments as needed. Do they just not like the book you are reading? Paraphrase it or skip to the end.

The last section of the article addresses Managing Parents.

- **The best way to ensure parents are actively engaged in storytime is to get them to sit on the floor with their child.**
- **Have a few clear and simple rules (for the parents) and make sure you convey those rules.**



Everyday Ethics—

By Sara McFarland, SWKLS Consultant

The Everyday Ethics Learning Project, a collaborative effort by the Regional Kansas Library Systems and the State Library of Kansas, kicked off and was a grand success. This collaborative effort, aimed at developing an extended continuing education program on the topic of everyday ethics in libraries for both librarians and library trustees, was presented via WIMBA and ELMER throughout the months of April, May and June. All of the sessions were archived, so if you missed them on the day of their presentation, you can still 'attend' the sessions and receive CE credit for them! Just go to Everyday Ethics for Librarians on the WebJunction site: <http://ks.webjunction.org/742>, scroll down and click on the session you'd like to hear. This will take you to that particular session's page where you can download the handouts and all other materials that were provided by the speakers. You will also find the link to the archived session. Just click on that link. When the page loads, you will not need to provide a password; simply click on enter. To receive CE credits, Cindi Hickey has given the following instructions:

"If you would like to receive a continuing education certificate for viewing this archive, please send an e-mail including 1) A description of what webinar information was new to you and 2) what you will do with the information you gained from the webinar in your library to [chickey @ kslib.info](mailto:chickey@kslib.info)."

The sessions include:

- **Ethics of Facebook** - NEKLS Continuing Education Consultant Brenda Hough explores issues of privacy and more when using Facebook to promote libraries. – Provided by NEKLS
- **Everyday Ethics by Pat Wagner** is about making better decisions and actions in your library. Topics include the history of ethics and four principles of library ethics, preventing typical mistakes, earning trust, researching the whole picture, and treating difficult people fairly. --Sponsored by the State Library of Kansas and Regional Library Systems
- **Serial Killer Visits the Library: Confidentiality and coping with law enforcement inquiries** - SCKLS Director Paul Hawkins describes the response to law enforcement inquiries for information about the BTK killer's use of the library. – Sponsored by SCKLS
- **Ethics of Collection Development** - Assistant Director of the ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom Angela Maycock will shed light on the competing interests of intellectual freedom, diversity, and responsiveness to community interests, while addressing the presence and place of potentially controversial materials in library collections. – [Sponsored by SWKLS](#)
- **Using Library Ethics, Values and Roles to Overcome Public and Trustee Resistance to Weeding** - CKLS Director Harry Willems and Consultant Chris Rippel discuss how to present to the public and the board the balance of competing values affecting resistance and acceptance of weeding. – Sponsored by CKLS
- **Ethics for Trustees** - Topeka Shawnee County Library Director Gina Millsap discusses ethical issues for trustees. – Sponsored by State Library of Kansas
- **Ethics of Answering Questions** - Lisa Kelly, Director of Information Services for the Nebraska Library Commission, will be discussing ethical approaches to answering patron questions with emphasis on patron privacy, equal access and information access. – Sponsored by NWKLS
- **Ethics of Access to Services** - SEKLS Library Consultant Kim Rutter will use case studies to spark discussion of real-life library problems in collection organization, circulation policies, and service requests. – Sponsored by SEKLS
- **Can Mary Kay and VITA Book the Meeting Room?: Setting fair and balanced policies for library facilities usage** - NCKLS Assistant Director Carol Barta will present this workshop. Libraries are prime real estate. We have meeting rooms, bulletin boards and display cases that offer access to wide segments of our communities. How do we develop policies and procedures that balance potentially conflicting purposes, not to mention viewpoints? – Sponsored by NCKLS
- **Pat Wagner's Wrap Up Session** – Pat will discuss: What big-picture ethics issues stuck with you? What did you learn that provided practical solutions for you? What can you change about your own behavior and behavior in your library? What do you think the hardest challenges you are facing are? What final questions do you have about library ethics? — Sponsored by the State Library of Kansas and the Regional Library Systems

Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act

By Sara McFarland, SWKLS Consultant

On July 1, 2010 the Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act will take effect. Kansas workplaces, bars and restaurants will become smoke-free. For complete information, please visit the Kansas Smoke-Free Clean Air Act website at www.kssmokefree.org.

The purpose of the Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act is to protect the public health by reducing exposure to second-hand smoke in public places and places of employment. This Act prohibits smoking in:

- Public places
- Places of employment
- Restaurants
- Bars
- Within 10 feet of any doorway, open window or air intake where smoking is prohibited

There are exemptions to the Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act:

- Tobacco shops that derive not less than 65 percent of gross receipts from the sale of tobacco
- Gaming floors of lottery gaming facilities or racetrack gaming facilities
- Up to 20 percent of hotel/motel sleeping rooms
- Designated indoor areas of private outdoor recreational clubs (i.e. golf clubs, hunting clubs) where minors are prohibited.
- Designated smoking areas of adult care homes and long-term care facilities.
- Class A and B private clubs licensed before January 1, 2009, that notify the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment by September 28, 2010, of their intent to allow smoking. The notification form and directions are available at www.kssmokefree.org.
 - A Class A club is a non-profit social, fraternal or war veteran's club operated for the exclusive use of members and their families

and guests. A Class B club is operated for profit by a corporation, partnership or individual. Both Class A and B clubs are licensed by the Director of the Kansas Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), a division of the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Day care homes are covered by this Act. While smoking is already prohibited in day care homes when children not related to the owner are present, the Indoor Clean Air Act adds an additional penalty for violators. In addition to any civil fine which may be levied, any day care home that violates any provision of this act may also be subject to criminal punishment.

Signage is required. Effective July 1, 2010, businesses that prohibit smoking will be required to post signs that have the international no smoking symbol and state that smoking is prohibited by state law. These signs are available for free by download or mail upon request at www.kssmokefree.org/no_smoking_sign.html.

Penalties will be enacted for violations of the Act. Local law enforcement (police or sheriff) have the authority to enforce the Act and violators will be guilty of a cigarette or tobacco infraction. Fines for owners/operators and smokers are as follows:

- 1st violation = not more than \$100
- 2nd violation within 1 year = not more than \$200
- 3rd and additional violations within 1 year = not more than \$500 per violation
- Each individual smoking in an establishment where smoking is prohibited is a separate violation for the business.

Where local clean indoor air laws have provisions *stricter* than the state law, these local provisions will prevail. Where local laws have provisions less strict than the state law, state law provisions will prevail effective July 1, 2010.

Businesses do need to take steps to comply with the law. The website has a Business Toolkit link for details for businesses. Businesses should follow these steps (as taken directly from the website):

- Adopt a written smoking policy to prohibit smoking in all areas of employment and communicate this policy to all current employees and all new employees upon hiring. (A sample copy is available on the site).
- Remove all ashtrays and matches.
- Post a no smoking sign. Signs are available for free by download or may be requested by mail.
- Ask any person violating the law to stop smoking. Remind your customers of the law and politely explain they must step outside to smoke. Also train your staff regarding what to say to customers, for example: "We're now smoke-free, you'll have to put out your cigarette," or "The new law prohibits smoking indoors. Thanks for your cooperation."
- Refuse service to any person who continues to violate the law.
- Ask any person violating the law to leave.
- Notify law enforcement if the person refuses to comply.

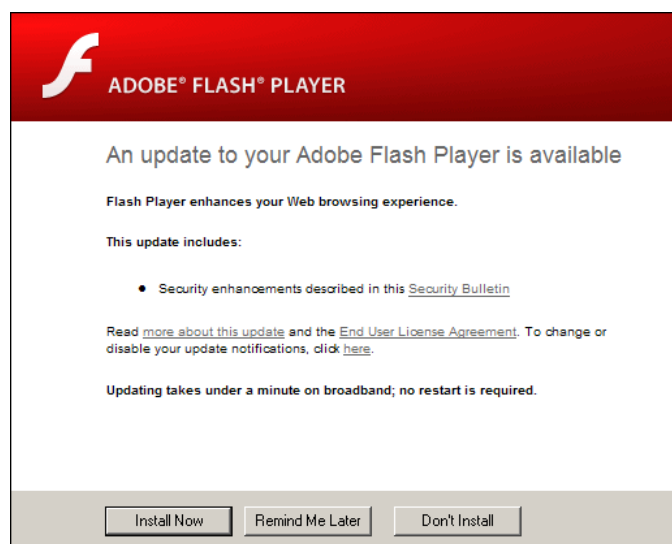
This is definitely a summarization of the Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act. For a downloadable brochure, visit: www.kssmokefree.org/download/SmokeFreeBrochure.pdf and for more information, please visit the website www.kssmokefree.org or contact the Kansas Department of Health and Environment at 1-877-416-8547 or by e-mail KSsmokefree@kdheks.gov.

The Care & Feeding of Staff Computers: Read Before You Click!

By Steve Andrews, Assistant Technology Consultant

Web browser toolbars: some people love them, others hate them. I definitely fall into the latter category. Outwardly, they appear to be useful. Toolbars offer the end user customized search boxes with suggestions, quick sharing options, pop-up blockers, book marking options, and a slew of other 'enhancements' to the typical web browser. Toolbars can also slow your system down, destabilize it, and in some cases carry spyware payloads. They can interfere with the normal operation of built-in safety components such as pop-up blockers, cause web pages to load slower, and conflict with other browser plug-ins. The trouble is avoiding toolbars, especially when updating other components as they are often piggy-backed onto other installations. *Increpare ergo sum (I rant, therefore I am).*

While staff computers are usually set up so that they automatically update the Microsoft Windows operating system, updates for certain multimedia platforms (Flash Player) and programming languages (Java) require some manual intervention on the part of the end user. Typically, a message appears either in the bottom right-hand corner near the time clock (Java) or as a small window (Flash Player) alerting the user to a new update that is available and ready for download and installation. Installing an update for Java is simply a matter of clicking the little icon or message, which should then open a window or dialog box that guides the user through the update process. Flash Player updates typically appear in a small window with the option to either install now, remind later, or don't install. Here are pictures of both the Java and Flash Player update alerts:



The Care & Feeding of Staff Computers: (cont.)

The trick is to look closely at these windows or message boxes for any indication of third party applications that might be installed along with the update. Here is an example of a Java installation asking permission for a toolbar to be installed along with the update:



To avoid having extra software such as the Bing Toolbar installed, carefully examine each new window and uncheck any box like the one pictured above. Toolbars and other third party applications are also offered during first time installation of some items such as Adobe Flash Player:



Again, it is important for the end user to carefully examine each window of the installation process so as to avoid unwanted software being installed. Remember: read before you click!

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Schedule of Events

- } Everyday Ethics Learning Project
Statewide CE Project—**WIMBA**
- May 6 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Serial Killer in the Library: Confidentiality and coping with law enforcement inquires
- May 13 — 2:00—3:30 pm
The Ethics of Collection Development
- May 19 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Using Library Ethics, Values and Roles to Overcome Public and Trustee Resistance to Weeding
- May 25 — 7:00—8:00 pm
Ethics for Trustees
- May 27 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Ethics of Reference
- June 2 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Ethics of Access to Services
- June 3 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Can Mary Kay and VITA Book the Meeting Room?: Setting fair and balanced policies for library facilities usage
- June 16 — 2:00—3:30 pm
Pat Wagner's Wrap Up Session
- } June 11—SWKLS
Full Board Meeting
10:00 am—12:00 pm
OPAL Room

JUNE 2010

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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

- } Aug. 13—Total Customer Satisfaction — F.A.S.T.
1:00 pm—4:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library
- } Aug. 27—VERSO Users Group
1:00 pm—3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library
- } Sept. 10—Ethics of Facebook
1:00 pm—3:00 pm
Finney County Library
- } Sept. 24—SWKLS Tech Day!
9:00 am—3:00 pm
The Learning Center
- } Oct. 8—Fall Assembly—
Visit with Nancy Pickard
Workshop—
10:00 am—12:00 pm
Meeting—
1:00 pm—3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library
Dodge City, KS
- } Oct. 20—Healthy Kids Challenge
9:00 am—3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library

ILL Tips & Tidbits...

By Patti Cummins, ILL Librarian



Have you wondered whether a particular library loans AV or about other lending policies? You can find out information about their ILL policies by going to ILL Admin, and clicking on "Search Library Information." You will get a screen asking for the Library Code, Library Name, or the Library Address. (Use only the City for the address, do not add Kansas or KS.)

The screenshot shows the 'SEARCH LIBRARY INFORMATION' form. The form includes a search instruction: 'The Library Information Database may be searched using keyword(s) from the following fields: Library code, Library Name, Library Address, City/Town, and Zipcode:'. Below this are four input fields: 'For Library Code:', 'For Library Name:', 'For Library Address:' (with 'Dodge City' entered), and 'For Lending Policy:' (with a dropdown arrow). The interface also shows a navigation menu on the left and a copyright notice at the bottom: 'AGent™ and Impact™ are trademarks of Auto-Graphics Inc. Copyright © 1994-2010. Auto-Graphics, Inc. Pomona, California. All rights reserved.'

The screenshot shows the 'LIBRARY RESULTS LIST' table. The table has columns for 'No.', 'Lib Code', 'Library Name', 'City', and 'State'. It lists three results:

No.	Lib Code	Library Name	City	State
1.	KSS	Dodge City Community College Library	Dodge City	KS
2.	KEQ	DODGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	DODGE CITY	KS
3.	SWKLS	Southwest Kansas Library System	Dodge City	KS

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ILL Tips & Tidbits... (cont.)

LIBRARY INFORMATION FOR KEQ	
Library Code:	KEQ
Library Name:	DODGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Agency Code:	
Broker Code :	
Days to Respond:	4
Days to Supply:	10
Days to Return:	29
OCLC Code:	KEQ
Days Open:	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

Click on the button at the left top, ILL Policy Link. This will give you their policy information.

ILL POLICY LINK [WEDNESDAY, JUNE 09, 2010]						
Library Code: KEQ						
Library Name: DODGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY						
ILL Phone Number: 620-225-0248						
Lending Policy Copies Shipping Methods ILL Acceptance Methods						
Lending Policy						
	Lend (Y, N, NA)	Fee (\$)	Loan Period (days)	Renewal Loan Period (days)	Place Hold (Y, N)	Exceptions, Comments
Audio Cassettes	Y	0	35	14	N	After 6 mos. in our collection OR if purchased with ILDP funds.
Audio CDs	Y	0	21	14	N	After 6 mos. in our collection OR if purchased with ILDP funds.
Books	Y	0	30	14	N	Will lend NEW books after 1 month in our collection.
Books - Current Year	Y	0	35	14	Y	After 6 mos. in our collection, OR if purchased with ILDP funds.
Bound Serials	NA	0	0	0	Y	
CD-ROMs	Y	0	30	14	Y	
Dissertations/ Theses	NA	0	0	0	N	
DVDs (Digital Video Discs)	Y	0	21	0	N	After 1 month in our collection, OR if purchased with ILDP funds.
Entertainment videos	Y	0	21	0	N	After 6 mos. in our collection.
Federal DOCs	Y	0	30	0	Y	Limited collection.
Microfiche	NA	0	0	0	N	
Microfilm	NA	0	0	0	N	
Micropaque	NA	0	0	0	N	
Newspapers	NA	0	0	0	N	

You can also find other information, such as the ILL Contact's name and when they are closed and reopening.



ILL Tips & Tidbits... (cont.)

LIBRARY INFORMATION FOR REQ					
Close Help ILL Policy Link Hide Empty Fields Print					
Ship To Address 1:	DODGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY				
Ship To Address 2:	1001 N 2ND AVE				
Ship To City:	DODGE CITY				
Ship To State/Province:	KS				
Ship To ZIP/Postal Code:	67801				
Ship To Country:	USA				
Route Schedule:					
ILL Contact Name:	Cindy Shipley				
ILL Contact Title:					
ILL Phone Number: General	620-225-0248				
ILL Phone Number: Borrowing					
ILL Phone Number: Lending					
ILL Phone Number: Contact					
ILL FAX Number:	620-225-2761				
ILL Email Address:	cindy@dcp.lnfo				
Ariel Address:					
ILL Pickup Locations:					
Holiday List (Input format MM/DD/YY)					
Start Date	End Date	Start Date	End Date	Start Date	End Date
7/17/2010	7/24/2010				

I hope that you will find this way of accessing information useful, but just remember, this only works if each library has filled out their ILL policies. Make sure you've done your part by checking to see that your policies in the Participant record are filled out. Go to ILL Admin, click on Maintain Participant record, and go to the very bottom and click on the link ILL Policy there.

If you have any questions on this, just give me a call.
Patti



23 Things Kansas!

By Janelle Mercer, Assistant Technology Consultant

Way back in January several in the library community in Kansas started their *23 Things Kansas* journey. *23 Things Kansas*, for those who may not have heard of it, was basically an online collaborative learning project. For several months, participants had a new module to complete each week. Thankfully there was a week break in-between (whew!) and time at the end to complete modules if you got behind (another whew!)

Here are some of the topics that were covered:

Blogging, Online Communities, Online Meetings, Photo Sharing, RSS and Feed Readers, Tagging and Social Bookmarking, Microblogging, Cloud Computing, Instant Messaging, Video Sharing, Screencasting, Library Thing, and Wikis.

To find out more go to: www.23thingskansas.org

Congratulations to everyone that made it through the lessons! Those of you that didn't, you definitely are not alone. Congratulations to all of you! If you were able to even get through week 1 you should definitely give yourself a pat on the back! This year has been busy and technology doesn't always cooperate! If you decide to finish up any of the modules and need help, please don't hesitate to contact any of us at the SWKLS office. We will be glad to help you. Also – be on the lookout for a similar program either statewide or in SWKLS.

Here are some approximate stats from the program: (All numbers are approximate)

- Number of SWKLS Librarians enrolled: 34
- Breakdown of Enrollment: 24 Public Library participants, 3 Regional or State participants, 5 School Library participants, and 2 Special Library participants.
- Number that completed all of the lessons: 11 participants or 32%
- Total participants: 391
- Total numbers from all systems and libraries that finished all lessons: 72 or 18%

Not only did participants get CE credit for completing all of the modules; they were also entered into a drawing for three Flip cameras. As luck would have it, the three winners were all from the Southwest corner of the state! Congratulations.



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Scott County Library
<http://libraryfish.posterous.com/>



Ruby Martin,
Lane County Library
<http://mrbys23things.wordpress.com/>



Charlene McQuinn,
Southwest Kansas Library System
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23 Things Kansas! (cont.)



Some reflections from 23 Things...

"23 Things Kansas has been a fun journey. I'm glad I participated and will be ever grateful for the knowledge. What a joy it has been to cross paths with so many wonderful people traveling the same road since we began in January.

The only application that I was already using when we started was Facebook so I have gained tons of knowledge & had to step out of my comfort zone more than once. I think I have done pretty well considering I had never even used rubber cement until three years ago when I started working at the Library."

Taken from Nancy Witthuhn's (Ness City) blog, <http://4u2c23.blogspot.com>

"I know that there are some things I will continue to use and some I won't, but I am very glad to have learned about these tools, so that in the future, if someone is needing help or talking about needing to use a featured tool, I will know what they are talking about!"

Taken from Barbara Luck's (Morton County) blog, <http://bluckie.wordpress.com/>

1. Blogging is fun and easy, tumblr makes it so.
2. Online communities like linkedin enables one to stay connected to professional colleagues.
3. Facebook is the place to connect with friends and awesome librarians.
4. Libraries too! I may have snagged a programming idea or two.
5. I adore webinars and the wealth of topics available... and psst, they're archived!

Taken from Paulina Poplawska's (Liberal) blog, <http://paulinap.tumblr.com>

Everyone's blogs were so much fun to read! If you have a chance, check some of them out by going to www.23thingskansas.org and clicking on the Participants tab.

Road Trip!!!! — Road Trip!!!!

Finally! A Library Conference where everyone shares similar challenges and opportunities!

Magic in the Mile High City

**Association of Rural and Small Libraries/
Association of Book Mobiles and Outreach Services
Joint Annual Conference
October 14-16, in Denver, CO**

Join us in Denver, Colorado **October 14-16** for the 2010 ARSL-ABOS Joint Conference. (Pre-Conferences begin on October 13, 2010) The theme for this conference is “Magic in the Mile High City” and conference planners are working hard to make this conference full of magic. Our scheduled speakers include Dr. Lorieni Roy, past president of ALA and Pat Wagner, an educator, trainer, writer and consultant from Pattern Research Inc.

Designed for directors, staff and trustees of small libraries, bookmobiles and outreach staff, this conference gets right to the nuts and bolts of “how to.” Conference attendees will find information that is helpful, practical and relevant.

Early Bird Registration by August 29th is \$200 for ARSL-ABOS members and \$250 for non-members. (Pre-conferences are an additional fee.) The price of registration includes a ‘Welcome Mixer’ on Wednesday evening, a full breakfast on Thursday and Friday, a light breakfast on Saturday, a potato & salad bar buffet lunch on Saturday, beverage breaks each morning, and a snack break on Thursday and Friday afternoons. Also included is some of the best programming for small and rural libraries anywhere! For more information on ARSL, the Conference, and lodging, visit <http://www.bcr.org/ARSL/index.html>.

NEKLS/SEKLS is once again arranging bus transportation to and from the conference. The bus will leave Tuesday, Oct. 12th and return early in the morning on Sunday, Oct. 17th. The bus will stop at certain points along I-70 and pick up librarians from all across the state. The networking is wonderful – and someone else is in charge of the driving! Please visit the Kansas Regional Library System website, <http://systems.mykansalibrary.org/>, click on “Event Registration” on the right menu bar, and then let us know if you plan on joining us. We won’t know the exact cost until we have an idea of how many will be going. Pricing will be established closer to the conference. Bus capacity is 55, and if 45 or more register, the cost will be \$100 or less! Depending on just who from SWKLS will be going, we can carpool up to I-70! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sara McFarland at the SWKLS offices - 800-657-2533/ smcfarland@swkls.org. I can assure you, a fun time will be had by all!

The SCENario

Upcoming Workshops:

Total Customer Satisfaction – F.A.S.T.

August 13, 2010
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library

How's your library's level of service? Are your patrons impressed by your staff and satisfied with how they are treated? Are you looking for new ways to meet client expectations while improving customer experiences? If so, "Total Customer Satisfaction" will help you learn more about communicating effectively in a service environment, maintaining personal motivation, providing service and solving customer problems. The session will also examine changing trends in customer service and technology. The course includes lively instruction and invites high levels of group dialog and participation.

Rich Drinon, President of Drinon & Associates, will present this workshop. Rich helps leaders and managers develop relationship, task and change management skills. This is accomplished through small group training sessions utilizing instruction, group dialog and learning exercises.

VERSO Users Group Meeting

August 27, 2010
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library

Ethics of Facebook – Janelle Mercer & Sara McFarland

September 10, 2010
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Finney County Public Library
Garden City, KS

SWKLS Tech Day – 2010!

September 24, 2010
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
The Learning Center
Dodge City, KS

Upcoming Workshops (cont.):

A Visit with Nancy Pickard (Fall Assembly)

October 8, 2010
(NOTICE!!)
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Full Board Meeting — 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library

Come join us for a delightful visit with Kansas author, Nancy Pickard, as she tells us all about her newest book, *The Scent of Rain and Lightning*. Nancy Pickard is the award-winning and critically-acclaimed author of eighteen novels and dozens of short stories. She is the co-author, with Lynn Lott, of the beloved non-fiction book for writers, *7 Steps on the Writer's Path*. She is a 4-time Edgar nominee for her novels, *I.O.U.*, *The Whole Truth*, and *The Virgin of Small Plains*, and for her unforgettable short story, "Afraid All the Time." She won the first-ever Anthony Award for Best Paperback Original Mystery for her second book, *Say No to Murder*. She has won multiple Agatha Awards and Macavity Awards for her novels and short stories. Her last novel, *The Virgin of Small Plains*, won the Agatha and Macavity awards, was a finalist for both the Edgar and the Dilys awards, and was named a Killer Book by the Independent Mystery Booksellers Association. It was a Kansas Notable Book in 2008, and it was the Kansas Reads book of the year for 2009.

Healthy Kids Challenge

October 20, 2010
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library

Sponsored by the Kansas Regional Library Systems and Healthy Kids Challenge – and thanks to a grant by the United Methodist Ministry Fund -- this workshop provides ideas and resources for developing positive healthy eating and physical activity choices for all preschool age children. Get ready to get up and move, taste, and explore healthy eating and physical activity from the eyes of a preschooler! You'll experience a fun but full

Upcoming Workshops (cont.):

six-hour training and take home resources assembled to form a library eating and activity "toolkit". You'll have the opportunity to explore a checklist of program ideas for your library. Your Healthy Kids Challenge trainer will provide you the time and guidance to consider what you might want to go back and add into your programs and help you develop a simple action plan to get started.



Tech Tool: Textorizer

Textorizer is a program that allows you to make pictures formed with text. There are two ways to use textorizer. Run the text going across the picture, or scatter the text around to outline an image. Download textorizer at: <http://tinyurl.com/36njma> or <http://lapin-bleu.net/software/textorizer/>. For printing, be sure to save the image as a .png file. If you have any questions, feel free to call us and we'll try to help!



To be satisfied with a little, is the greatest wisdom; and he that increaseth his riches, increaseth his cares; but a contented mind is a hidden treasure, and trouble findeth it not.

Akhenaton

(This is the quote I used in the above graphic. You can change font and size and colors...)

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