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January 2013



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## Upcoming Events

### Greetings!

Welcome to the January BLD newsletter.

I am thrilled to be able to tell you that we will have all the professional positions within BLD filled by the end of January 2013! Read further in this issue to be introduced to new staff and to read about existing staff who have been promoted.

Please let me know what we can do to assist you in your work for Florida's libraries.

Happy New Year!

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Congratulations Melissa Hooke



Trends and Issues in E-Government Services  
January 8 @ 2:00 p.m.

FLYP Workshop - Tallahassee (Leon County)  
January 10

It Takes Two to Tango! Building Partnerships as a Library Director: Part 1  
January 10 @ 10:00 a.m.

FLYP Workshop - Maitland (Orange County)  
January 16

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January 17 @ 10:00 a.m.

FLYP Workshop - Oldsmar (Pinellas County)  
January 18

E-Government in Florida Public Libraries: Resources for Florida Veterans  
January 23 @ 11:00 a.m.

FLYP Workshop - Delray Beach (Palm Beach County)  
January 31

Online Meeting for Public Library Directors: Medium-Size Libraries  
January 31 @ 10:00 a.m.

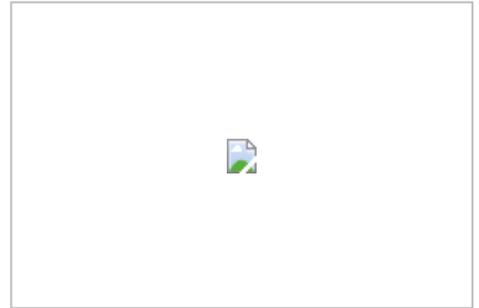
FLYP Workshop - Miami (Miami-Dade County)  
February 1

FLYP Workshop - Daytona Beach (Volusia County)  
February 5

Alternative Funding Online Discussion  
February 5 @ 10:30 a.m.

It Takes Two to Tango!

Melissa was recently promoted to an Administrative Assistant III position and will be providing support for Bureau technology. In this role she will continue to support the Continuing Education program, including many of the production aspects of the Division's webinar programming. She will also provide Florida Electronic Library technical support and assist BLD consultants with social media. Melissa has been with the Division of Library of Information Services for five years and many of you may recognize her name from her work with Construction Grants.

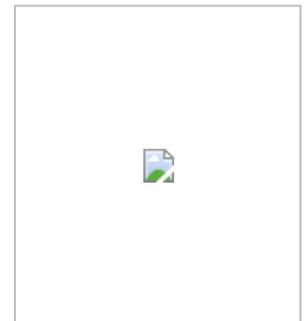


When she isn't at work, she spends her time trail running, horseback riding, kayaking, hiking, creating art, and spending time with her husband.

Melissa can be reached at [melissa.hooke@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:melissa.hooke@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6632.

## BLD Welcomes New Staff Member

BLD is pleased to announce that Cynthia Leigh Welch has joined our team as the Continuing Education Consultant. Cindy received a Bachelor of Science in Animal and Dairy Science from Mississippi State University and a Master of Library and Information Studies from the University of Alabama. She was inducted into Beta Phi Mu shortly after graduating.



She has been involved in many aspects of public library life, including branch manager, director, and regional director. She is passionate about lifelong learning and continuing education. She takes courses about anything and everything in her spare time. Cindy can be reached at 850.245.6636 or [cynthia.welch@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:cynthia.welch@dos.myflorida.com).

## New FEL Contract

The Division has recently signed a new, five-year contract with Gale that will allow us to continue



Florida Electronic Library

providing statewide access through the [Florida Electronic Library](#) (FEL) to sixteen databases and a collection of over 50 eReference titles in the Gale Virtual Reference Library. The new contract includes access to Career Transitions, a major update to the Florida Database, and a reassessment of the GVRL eReference titles.

Access to the FEL is available in Florida's public libraries, state universities and colleges, and public K-12 libraries as well as anywhere with a Florida IP address.

[Subscribe to the FEL Updates](#) to receive information about these and

[Building Partnerships as a Library Director: Part 2](#)  
February 6 @ 10:00 a.m.

[FLYP Workshop - Gainesville](#)  
(Alachua County)  
February 7

[FLYP Workshop - Jacksonville](#) (Duval County)  
February 11

[FLYP Workshop - Naples](#)  
(Collier County)  
February 21

[Dragonfly Effect Online Book Discussion](#)  
March 15 @ 10:00 a.m.



Once you enter your email address you will be asked to choose which information you want to receive from the Division.

**Continuing Education  
Florida Memory  
Workforce Recovery  
Youth Services  
and more...**

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other ongoing enhancements to the FEL.

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## E-Rate Window Dates Announced

*Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Begins July 1, 2013, and Ends June 30, 2014*

The FY2013 application filing window for the FCC Form 471 opened at noon EST on Wednesday, December 12, 2012, and will close at 11:59 p.m. EDT on Thursday, March 14, 2013. The window will be open for 93 days.

If you are just starting the application process, you should first review the FCC Form 470 and Instructions and the FCC Form 471 and Instructions. You can find these forms and instructions on the [Forms](#) page of the USAC website. You should also review the [FY2013 Eligible Services List](#) to verify that the services you want to request are eligible for discounts.

Check out the section of [Helpful Tips and Reminders](#) in the [Special Edition of News Brief](#), then explore [USAC's website](#) for important do's and don'ts.

For additional information, contact [Dan Lhotka](#), E-Rate Consultant, at [dan.lhotka@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:dan.lhotka@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6625.

## Looking Forward to *Digging into Reading*

The 2013 FLYP Summer Reading Workshop is now open for registration. The following are the dates and locations of each workshop.



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January 10	Tallahassee (Leon County)
January 16	Maitland (Orange County)
January 18	Oldsmar (Pinellas County)
January 31	Delray Beach (Palm Beach County)
February 1	Miami (Miami-Dade County)
February 5	Daytona Beach (Volusia County)
February 7	Gainesville (Alachua County)
February 11	Jacksonville (Duval County)
February 21	Naples (Collier County)

The workshop features numerous books and activities that focus on the Collaborative Summer Library Program's (CSLP) themes: *Dig into Reading*, *Beneath the Surface* and *Groundbreaking Reads*.

For additional information, contact [Jana Fine](#), Youth Services Consultant, at [jana.fine@DOS.MyFlorida.com](mailto:jana.fine@DOS.MyFlorida.com) or 850.245.6629.

## Statewide Webinar Program

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## Missed a Florida Library Webinars live event? Watch the recording!



Did you miss a Florida Library Webinars webinar that you really wanted to attend? We have the answer for you!

All [Florida Library Webinars](#) events are recorded and made available for viewing after the live event. If you registered for the live event and want to access the recording, go back to the information page you used to access the live event and the recording will be there. If you didn't register for the event, you can access all of our webinars virtually from the [On Demand](#) section in the Workshops listing on this site.

For more information about the Florida Library Webinar program, contact Cindy Welch, Continuing Education Consultant, at [cynthia.welch@DOS.MyFlorida.com](mailto:cynthia.welch@DOS.MyFlorida.com) or 850.245.6636.

## Construction Grant Program Spotlight



### 2013 Guidelines and Application Available

Grant application forms and guidelines are available for the Public Library Construction Grant Program. The grant application deadline is April 1, 2013.

The Public Library Construction Grant program provides state funding to governments for the construction of public libraries. This includes the construction of new buildings and the acquisition, expansion or remodeling of existing buildings to be used for public library service. The maximum grant is \$500,000 and the minimum grant is \$10,000. The minimum project size is 3,000 square feet.

[Guidelines and forms](#) are available on the Division of Library and Information Services' website.

If you have additional questions about this program, please contact [Marian Deeney](#), Library Program Administrator, at [marian.deeney@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:marian.deeney@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6620.

## FEL Received Governor's Savings Award

The Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services and Gale Cengage Learning received a



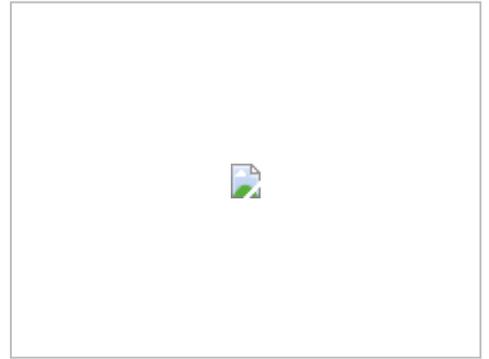
Florida Electronic Library

Governor's Savings Award for the substantial cost savings realized through the renegotiation of the Florida Electronic Library Contract.

The Department of State created cost savings by renegotiating a contract to provide online database support for the Florida Electronic Library's internet resource over the next five years. In addition to the \$1,575,000 in savings, the agency negotiated the inclusion of Career Transitions, a database valued at \$350,000, to be added to the new contract at no additional charge. This new database will improve

essential career service resources for students, graduates and veterans who are transitioning to new careers in the Florida workforce.

"The Florida Department of State is committed to being responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars," said Secretary of State Ken Detzner. "The Florida Electronic Library remains a tremendous service to Floridians for its access to a wide variety of digital information resources, and we are honored that it has been recognized for its significant cost savings and its new workforce recovery database."



*The Governor's Savings Award* honors state government employees and partnering private-sector companies that work together in the interest of identifying cost savings and avoidances while increasing the effectiveness of government operations. Since its launch in mid-October 2012, 10 agencies and more than 25 private sector businesses have been lauded for their efforts, which have resulted in a total of more than \$92 million in savings and value-added services for Florida's taxpayers. The Governor's Savings Awards were presented to recipients in a ceremony at the Governor's Mansion on December 17, 2012.

## BLD Staff Honored at Department Awards Ceremony

BLD staff were honored during the Department of State's Sunshine Awards Ceremony held on December 18.

**Service pins** were distributed to Department employees reaching employment milestones. BLD staff recognized were: Melissa Hooke for five years of service; Sena Heiman for 15 years of service; and Marian Deeney for 25 years of service.



In addition the following awards were received by BLD staff:

**T.E.A.M. Award (Together Each Achieves More)** The entire Bureau was recognized for collectively redesigning the Bureau's approach to work across specialty areas and increasing the collaborative culture among all staff.

**Visionary Award** Stephanie Race was recognized for her work in the Continuing Education and Communications areas of BLD. Specifically lauded was Stephanie's leadership in designing the Continuing Education area of the Bureau both in the production of webinars and the expansion of online learning tools such as WebJunction that are available at no cost to library staff across the state. In the Communications area Stephanie led the Bureau in initiating, designing, and organizing a coordinated approach to Bureau communications. This newsletter is one result of Stephanie's tireless efforts.

## New OpenOffice Courses Available Through WebJunction

OpenOffice is an open-source office software suite that is available free for [download](#). The programs included provide a great deal of the same functionality as MS Office, and can open and edit MS Office documents. The three courses in the WebJunction course catalog cover the Writer, Calc, and Base applications, which correspond respectively to Word, Excel, and Access in MS Office. Each course offers a complete introduction to using one of the applications, containing six to seven hours of content.



These courses can be found in the Other Applications category of the course catalog.

Over [350 self-paced online courses](#) are available through WebJunction for FREE to Florida library staff. Your [WebJunction Course Access](#) must be approved before you can access the courses. If you have a WJ account but can't remember the password try WebJunction (case sensitive) and you'll be prompted to reset your password.

For more information contact Cindy Welch, Continuing Education Consultant, at [cynthia.welch@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:cynthia.welch@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6636.

## E-Government Focuses on Veteran Resources

Resources for Florida's veterans have been a special focus for our E-Government program. In November, we worked with Jana Fine, the Youth Services Consultant, to send out [program suggestions](#) for libraries to use to celebrate Veterans Day. The White Table display as well as the other suggestions received great, positive feedback from libraries all around the state.



John Hopkins Middle School, St. Petersburg.

The November [Workforce Recovery newsletter](#) was filled with online resources, both state and federal, for libraries to use to help veterans find job training, programs that support veteran entrepreneurship and employment. Archived Workforce Recovery newsletters and subscription information are available on the [E-Government website](#).

On January 23, 2013, Steve Murray, Communications Director of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (FDVA), will present *E-Government in Florida Public Library's: Resources and Benefits for Florida's Veterans*. The webinar will introduce Florida library staff to the new outreach initiative from FDVA

that is designed to let all veterans know about the resources and benefits available to them. [Register now for this webinar](#).

For more information, contact [Pam Thompson](#), E-Government Consultant, at [pam.thompson@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:pam.thompson@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6633.

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