



# BLDing Success

Bureau of Library Development: Providing Proactive Support for Florida's Libraries

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Welcome to the June 2015 edition of [BLDing Success](#).

Summer's here, and many of our patrons are on the hunt for good reads. The Division of Library and Information Services cosponsors the Florida Book Awards, which honors the best Florida literature and books about Florida each year. Next time a patron asks for your recommendation, consider sharing [this year's list of winners](#) with them.

We continue to work to fill vacant positions in the Bureau of Library Development. We currently have the following openings:

- Chief
- Grants Consultant
- E-Government and Outreach Consultant
- Administrative Assistant I

Please continue to let us know how we may assist you in your work for Florida's libraries.

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## E-Government



June 1 is the start of hurricane season, and you can help your patrons who are small business owners be prepared with tools provided by the United States Small Business Administration. These tools can help small business owners identify critical business systems, create emergency communications plans and build disaster preparedness kits. More information can be found at the U.S. Small

## Contact My County's Liaison Consultant

### Quick Links:

[E-Government](#)

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Grants](#)

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Program](#)

[Florida Memory](#)

[Leadership Institute  
\(SSLLI\)](#)

[Professional Resources](#)

[WebJunction Florida](#)

### Upcoming Events:



#### [Do More With Career Transitions!](#)

June 9  
11:00 a.m. Eastern  
Emily Mageski

#### [Transport Your Users With Your FEL Gale Resources](#)

June 15  
2:00 p.m. Eastern  
Emily Mageski

#### [Public Library Directors' Online Meeting](#)

June 17

Business Administration's [Emergency Preparedness](#) website.

For more information on E-Government in public libraries, contact Dorothy Frank at [dorothy.frank@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:dorothy.frank@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6631.

## Grants Spotlight



The Division of Library and Information Services' Senior Managers' Meeting to review the 2015-16 Library Services and Technology Act applications will be on June 3 at 1:00 p.m. The senior managers will send their recommendations to the Secretary of State for final funding approval. Grant applicants will receive information on funding decisions after the Secretary's approval.

If you have questions, please contact Marian Deeney, Grants Coordinator, at [marian.deeney@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:marian.deeney@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6620.

## New Public Library Directors

### Fall Orientation

The 2015 New Public Library Directors' Orientation will be held on Tuesday, October 27 in Tallahassee at the R.A. Gray Building. Look for more information about the orientation in late summer.



### Checklist for New Directors

The Bureau has [a checklist](#) for new directors on our website. You can browse questions on financial issues, planning, policies, legal issues and more. Additional information on the site is split between directors new to Florida and directors employed in their first director job.

For more information about the orientation or library administration, contact Sandy Newell at [sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6624.

## 2015 Florida Public Library Directors' Meeting

Mark your calendar! The Public Library Directors' Meeting will take place October 28-29 in Tallahassee. Invited attendees include directors of administrative units and cooperative member libraries, deans of schools of library and information sciences, and the executive director of the Florida Library Association. Registration will begin in September. Presenters are John Huber, Stacie Ledden and Lourdes Acavez. This will be a great opportunity to spend time with the new Florida Department of State's Division of Library and Information Services director, Amy Johnson, and Bureau of Library Development staff members.

If you have any questions about the Directors' Meeting, please contact Jill Canono at [jill.canono@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:jill.canono@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6648.

## Florida Libraries as Mental Nourishment

It's no secret that libraries are no longer just about books. Patrons want to cultivate their minds beyond the written

11:00 a.m. Eastern  
Sandy Newell

[Starting a Small Business in Florida: Working With Libraries to Help Their](#)

[Patrons](#)

June 18

10:00 a.m. Eastern  
Blake Robinson  
Gina McLeod  
Lee Yarbrough

[Florida Libraries as Mental Nourishment Using Your FEL Gale Resources](#)

June 19

10:00 a.m. Eastern  
Emily Mageski

[Get to Know Your New FEL Gale Virtual Reference Library Science Titles](#)

June 25

12:00 noon Eastern  
Emily Mageski

[Florida Libraries as Mental Nourishment](#)

June 25

2:00 p.m. Eastern  
Katrice Stewart  
Aaron Blumberg

[Jump In! Water Safety Initiative Through DCE](#)

June 26

10:00 a.m. Eastern  
Jana Fine  
Niki McKinnell



Once you enter your email address, you will be asked to choose what information you want to receive from the Division, such as:

**Continuing Education;  
Florida Memory;**



word.

Libraries are constantly reinventing themselves to meet their patrons' needs. Florida Libraries as Mental Nourishment explores the unique, mind-expanding services and programs libraries offer, such as:

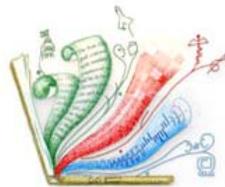
- Makerspaces, which provide patrons with places to gather and share ideas and with tools to bring those ideas to life
- Seed libraries patrons can borrow from to start their own gardens
- Interest-based gatherings, such as comic/nerd conventions, where patrons can network with like-minded people

Please join Aaron Blumberg, Continuing Education Coordinator with the [Southwest Florida Library Information Network](#), and Katrice Stewart, State Data Coordinator with the Division of Library and Information Services' Bureau of Library Development, on [Thursday, June 25 at 2:00 p.m. for an exciting webinar](#) highlighting some of these mind-cultivating activities.

For additional information, please contact Katrice Stewart at [katrice.stewart@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:katrice.stewart@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6608.

## News From the State Library

The State Library is working with Florida State University's College of Law Research Center on an exciting project. DLIS has partnered with FSU to digitize the *Laws of Florida* from 1862 to 1996. The State Library is providing the material and FSU is doing the digitization. The digitized *Laws* will be added to the State Library's catalog and made available on our [website](#) as well as [FSU's website](#).



## Florida Electronic Library



Did you know that the [Florida Electronic Library](#) has added new Gale Virtual Reference Library titles to our e-book shelf? The Florida Electronic Library's [Gale Virtual Reference Library](#) (GVRL) has been updated with 39 new or updated e-books about math, history, culture, law -- even world holidays! These titles are cross-searchable and easily used on mobile devices. Whether you are helping a student with homework, looking for a business plan or researching holiday traditions from far-off locales, the Florida Electronic Library's e-books can meet your needs.

For more information about the Florida Electronic Library, please contact Dorothy Frank at [dorothy.frank@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:dorothy.frank@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6631.

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### On-Demand Training From WebJunction

Staying on top of what's new is a tough job that Florida library staff take seriously. Fortunately, [WebJunction](http://webjunction.org) is here to help!



As a WebJunction member, you have access to [many self-paced courses](#) and two [new webinars](#) every month. The courses and webinars allow you to pick up the training that you need throughout the year, keeping your personal portfolio up to date. And thanks to funding from the Library Services and Technology Act through the Institute of Museum and Library Services, WebJunction courses and webinars are available to Florida library staff for free.

Course topics include Adobe applications, customer service, library services (from children to reference), management, Microsoft Office, operating systems and technology.

#### Not a member? Come join us!

If you don't already have a WebJunction account, [signing up is easy](#) and only takes a minute. To be eligible for an account, you must be an employee of a public, academic, special or school library in Florida.

Start exploring the [WebJunction](http://webjunction.org) site today, and be sure to come back regularly. We feel confident that you'll like what you see.

If you have questions, comments or concerns, contact Patrick Milas, Continuing Education Consultant, at [patrick.milas@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:patrick.milas@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6636.

## Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute (SSLLI)



**Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute Year 11** participants will meet on June 16 (Palm City) and June 18 (Marianna) for their ninth session, "Empower Others to Act." Graduation will be in July, when mentors will join their mentees to share and celebrate together.

**Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute Year 12** applications will be accepted until **June 15**. Information about the upcoming year can be found on the [SSLLI webpage](#). Meeting sites are in Manatee and Volusia Counties. Linda Bruno will facilitate Year 12 sessions.

For more information about the program, contact Jill Baldwin Canono at [jill.canono@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:jill.canono@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6648.

## Online Meetings for Directors

The next [online meeting](#) for public library directors is Wednesday, June 17 at 11:00 a.m. This meeting will be a follow-up to the 2015 Academy. You can use the registration form to add any topics or questions you want to discuss at the meeting.

For more information, contact Sandy Newell at [sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6624.

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## Florida Libraries as Early Learning Resources

What a child learns in their first three years will lay the foundation for all that is to come in their life. Early education and encouragement and support from caring adults can play a critical role in a child's development.



Throughout July, we'll share information about the early learning, emergent literacy and school support offerings from libraries throughout Florida. Get inspired by stories of what others are doing to promote early learning.

For additional information, please contact Jana Fine at [jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6629.

## What's Your Story?



If you've been following our Florida Libraries as... campaign, you already know that we've been asking libraries [to share their stories with us](#). Take a look at our newest additions:

- [Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library as Small Business Incubator](#)
- [Okaloosa County Public Library Cooperative as Disaster Response Center](#)

We've got more stories coming soon, and we're still looking for new ones. We could especially use stories about Florida Libraries as:

- [Workforce Recovery Centers](#)
- [People's University/Learning Centers](#)
- [Information Portals](#)
- [Mental Nourishment](#)
- [Publishers](#)
- [Health Information Providers](#)

To submit your library story or for more information, contact Sandy Newell at [sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6624 or Karen Joslin at [karen.joslin@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:karen.joslin@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6637.

## Florida Library Youth Program Updates



Summer is upon us! Please remember to keep track of your summer program statistics. A story from your patrons would be a wonderful addition to your library's newsletter or website. If you missed our webinar about keeping summer statistics, visit our [YouTube page](#) to see the recording.

### 2015 Summer Water Safety Campaign

This year, the Florida Division of Library and Information Services and the Florida [Department of Children and Families](#) are partnering with many state and local organizations and corporations to teach water safety to children. This initiative will present water safety tips and activities at elementary schools, bookstores, child care centers, libraries and summer camps. Planned activities include reading water safety books, performing a



puppet show, handing out coloring sheets and hosting special speakers who can interact with the children. All items are free of charge. If you are interested in hosting a program at your library, register by using the Department of Children and Families' [Water Safety Request-a-Presentation form](#).

The puppet show script, puppet show video, and coloring sheets are available for download from the Florida Library Youth Program [webpage](#).

For more information about the initiative, please contact Jana Fine, State Youth Consultant, at [jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6629.

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## Florida Library Jobs Website

The [Florida Library Jobs](#) website is a great resource for posting position openings and finding quality candidates. If you're hiring or looking for a position, make *Florida Library Jobs* one of your first stops.

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[Florida Library Webinars](#) (FLW) provides online training for almost every aspect of the library world. Here are just a few exciting courses offered this month:

- [Using YouTube to Enhance Your Marketing](#)
- [Winning Library Grants](#)
- [What Is The Internet of Things and How Can We Use It?](#)
- [STEAM at Your Library](#)
- [Y/A Must-Reads of 2014](#)

Are you busy but still need to squeeze in high-quality, valuable training? No worries. *FLW* offers hundreds of [on-demand training opportunities](#), with more added each day.

Did you know *FLW* is social? Join the group on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#) to keep up with the latest news.

[Join](#) the *Florida Library Webinars* email list to receive the latest updates.

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Come visit, like, chat and share with us at [Florida's Bureau of Library Development](#). We can't wait to share what we're doing here at the Bureau. We're especially excited about sharing what YOU are doing!



Please contact Melissa Hooke at [melissa.hooke@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:melissa.hooke@dos.myflorida.com) or 850.245.6632 to submit programs, pictures or cool stuff you would like us to share about your library.



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