



Build a Better World Summer Reading Workshop

Featuring Sherry Norfolk

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Tuesday, February 28, 2017

Place: Gateway Civic Center-Oberlin, Kansas

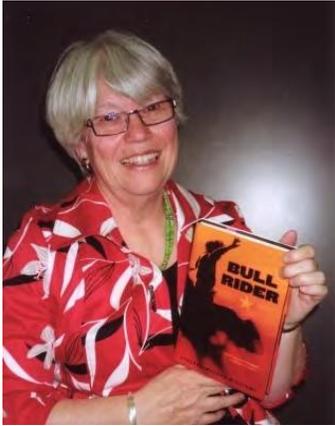
Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

AGENDA

- 9:00-9:30 —Registration-Snacks
- 9:30-11:00 —Morning Session
- 11:10-11:25 —Break
- 11:25-12:30 —Wrap up Presentation
- 12:30-1:30 —Lunch (provided)**
- 1:30-3:00 —Breakout Sessions



Authors' Workshops: Suzanne Morgan Williams and Terri Farley Coming to NW Kansas Schools



Suzanne Morgan Williams is the author of the middle grade novel *Bull Rider* (Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2009) and 11 nonfiction children's books with more on the way. From the time she wrote her first book, *Made in China: Ideas and Inventions from Ancient China* (Pacific View Press, 1997), to the present, her work has taken her into classrooms to connect with students, to universities and museums to work with experts, and to communities to share experiences.

Growing up in Los Angeles and San José, California didn't keep Terri Farley from saving her allowance for rides at nearby stables. Terri has always loved horses and wide-open spaces. Terri's experience hiking, mountain biking, witnessing wild horse round-ups, and riding on cattle drives sparked hundreds of stories in her imagination. She began writing the adventures she longed for as a city girl.

Now, Terri is the best-selling author of the Phantom Stallion series for young readers and *Seven Tears into the Sea*, a contemporary Celtic fantasy nominated as a YALSA best book. She was honored by the Nevada Writers Hall of Fame and her books have sold more than two million copies in 28 countries. Terri is an advocate for the West's wild horses, and she works with young people learning to make their voices heard. *Wild at Heart: Mustangs and the Young People Fighting to Save Them* is her first work of non-fiction. Chosen as a Junior Library Guild selection, *Wild at Heart* came out from Houghton-Mifflin-Harcourt in September 2015.



Back in August, I emailed our NW Kansas school librarians to let them know we would be hosting authors **Suzanne Morgan Williams and Teri Farley** for school visits on **March 9th and 10th**. Hoxie, Oberlin, Triplains/Wallace County and Weskan Schools all responded with interest in hosting a workshop. **We may be able to include two more schools!** Please contact me as soon as possible to see if we can fit your school into the schedule. Schools are asked to provide \$200.00 in matching funds to help cover some of the costs for this wonderful opportunity.

Can't wait to see you!

Mary Boller, NWKLS School & Children's Consultant, tbook@nwkls.org

Legislative Day!

NWKLs will once again be heading to Topeka for Kansas Library Association's Legislative Day. This year, several Systems will be hosting a READ Poster station in the Capitol for the legislators to come and get their pictures taken in solidarity with the amazing libraries of Kansas! We will also create goodie bags as we have in the past, so do send anything to [M eagan](#) that you would like to be included in those bags.

Also, we are still in search of library stories — impactful tales of how the public library in your area, the State Library, and the Regional Systems work together to provide some of the best library service in the nation. Some of these are already being compiled in a booklet that our new legislators will have hand-delivered on Legislative Day. If you have a story, send it to [M eagan](#). We are always looking for illustrative examples of how lives are transformed by libraries, how we fill the holes that other government entities leave open, and how we provide educational opportunities for all Kansans, no matter their background. The library is a lifeline for people in our small communities. Tell us how your library has enriched your patrons' world!

If you have not yet contacted your legislators, wish them a happy New Year and much luck in accomplishing our shared goals in the coming session!

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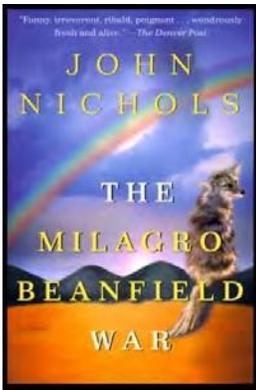
Please let us know before 1/18/2017 if you can come to Legislative Day (1/26/2017) so that we can set aside room accommodations for you. Email [M eagan](#) (consultant@nwkl.org) with questions, stories, or commitment to attend!

The Kansas Library Association is an advocacy organization for all the libraries of Kansas. The Government Affairs Committee is responsible for organizing KLA Legislative Day; George and Meagan are both on this committee. For more information about joining KLA, visit their webpage: <http://kslibassoc.org/>





***The Milagro Beanfield War* (John Nichols)**

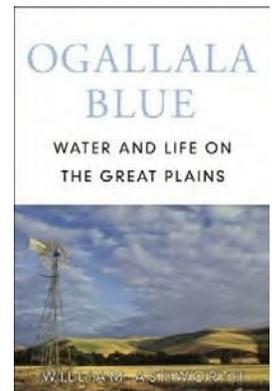


“Joe Mondragon, a feisty hustler with a talent for trouble, slammed his battered pickup to a stop, tugged on his gumboots, and marched into the arid patch of ground. Carefully (and also illegally), he tapped into the main irrigation channel. And so began—though few knew it at the time—the Milagro beanfield war. But like everything else in the dirt-poor town of Milagro, it would be a patchwork war, fought more by tactical retreats than by battlefield victories. Gradually, the small farmers and sheepmen begin to rally to Joe's beanfield as the symbol of their lost rights and their lost lands. And downstate in the capital, the Anglo water barons and power brokers huddle in urgent conference, intent on destroying that symbol before it destroys their multimillion-dollar land-development schemes. The tale of Milagro's rising is wildly comic and loving, a vivid portrayal of a town that, half-stumbling and partly prodded, gropes its way toward its own stubborn salvation.”

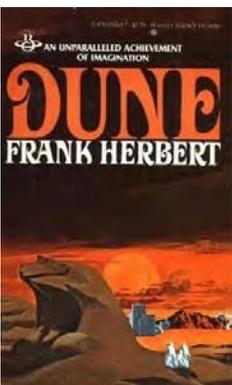
(From: http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/39242.The_Milagro_Beanfield_War)

***Ogallala Blue – Water & Life on the Great Plains* (William Ainsworth)**

“Hidden below the eight states that compose the Great Plains lies a vast ocean known as the Ogallala Aquifer. Supporting 14 million acres of crops that represent one-fifth of the country's total agricultural harvest, this primary source of groundwater affects everything from the food we eat to the clothing we wear. Deep enough to fill Lake Erie nine times over, it is immense, but it is not infinite, and this precious aquifer is going dry. It is a question of when, not if, and the management of this essential resource will be one of the most daunting challenges of the twenty-first century.” (From: Amazon.com Editorial Reviews: American Library Association. All rights reserved.)



***Dune* (Frank Herbert)**



“*Dune* has been called the ‘first planetary ecology novel on a grand scale.’ After the 1962 publication of Rachel Carson’s *Silent Spring*, science fiction writers began treating the subject of ecological change and its consequences. *Dune* responded in 1965 with its complex descriptions of Arrakis life, from giant sandworms (for whom water is deadly) to smaller, mouse-like life forms adapted to live with limited water. The inhabitants of the planet, the Fremen, must compromise with the ecosystem in which they live, sacrificing some of their desire for a water-laden planet to preserve the sandworms which are so important to their culture.” (From [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dune_\(novel\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dune_(novel)))

Bye Bye, Zinio!

We regret to inform you that Zinio will no longer be available from NWKLS. We are unable to continue to justify the expense for so few patrons using the service. We are happy to entertain digital magazine options in the future, should the opportunity arise. Thank you for allowing us to serve you in this way—**BUT WAIT!**

What's all this

hoopla

about a new service from NWKLS???

You heard right!

Sometime in February, NWKLS will open a new platform for citizens of the NorthWest Kansas Library System. We are so excited to offer this digital service through Midwest Tape. Through your library, your patrons will have access to more eBooks, audiobooks, music, television shows, movies, and graphic novels. Many of these are not available anywhere else! The easy-to-use app will be available on iOS and Android platforms as well as on PCs or laptops.

Stay tuned for more!



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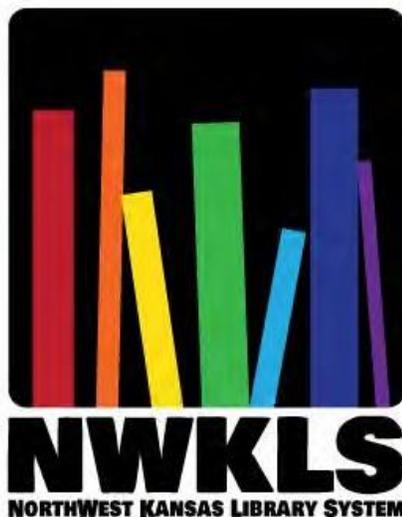
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Rexford
Colby
Davis
Brewster
NWKTC
Goodland
- 11 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(ZOOM, 4:00 PM)
- 12 SCHOOL ROTATION —
Colby
Heartland
Sacred Heart
Brewster
Goodland
- 17 ROTATION—IST STOP, 8:30 AM
Jennings
Selden
Oakley
Wallace
Weskan
Sharon Springs
- 19 SCHOOL ROTATION —
Golden Plains
Oakley
Triplains
Wallace
Weskan
- 24 ROTATION—IST STOP, 8:30 AM
Norcatur
Oberlin
Bird City
St. Francis
- 26 SCHOOL ROTATION —
Oberlin
St. Francis
- 31 ROTATION
Norton

February

- 7 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
WaKeeney
Quinter
Lenora
Almena
- 8 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(ZOOM, 4:00 PM)
- 9 SCHOOL ROTATION—
Northern Valley
Norton Schools
- 14 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Hoxie
Grainfield
Gove
Grinnell
- 16 SCHOOL ROTATION —
Hoxie
Wheatland
Quinter
- 21 ROTATION
Norton Correctional Facility

March

- 7 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
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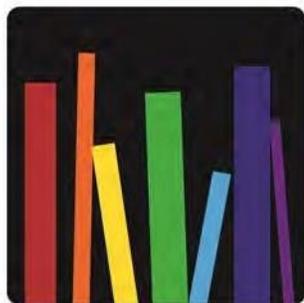


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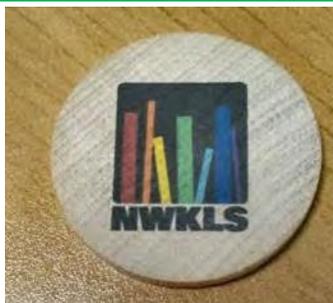
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April/May/June 2017

DO take Our Wooden Nickels!!

How cool are these? Ever hear that phrase... “We don’t take any wooden nickels here!”

Well, at NWKLS, we want you to start accepting these! Pictured on the right, NWKLS will start giving away these wooden nickels at community events— things like health and career fairs, workshops, and organizational meetings! When you receive them back from a patron, return them to NWKLS, and **we will reimburse yo u** for whatever efforts you’ve made. Want to forgive a few dollars in fines? How about last year’s summer reading prizes? Did you make a few too many t-shirts for that event last spring? Any high-quality book donations? Thanks & **HAVE FUN!**



Repaying My Debt

Go Cubs!



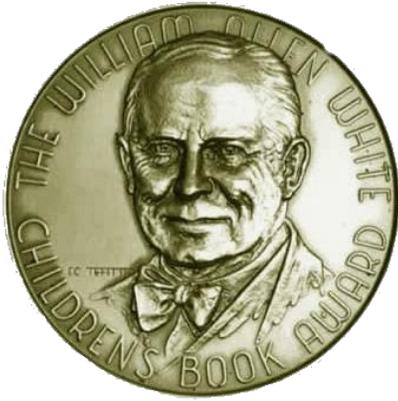
During the World Series last year, I made an unfortunate bet with Karen Gillihan (Director at Goodland Public Library) that the Cleveland Indians would beat the Chicago Cubs. I made this bet because I am a lifelong Indians fan and Karen is a lifelong Cubs fan. Well, the Indians lost, so here is the result of that bet. All I can say is that I hope we can make this same bet again this year!! —George Seamon

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NWKLS presents:

THE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE BOOK PROGRAM



Librarians,

Northwest Kansas Library System is pleased once again to offer the 2017-2018 William Allen White Books to our participating member schools.

The 2017-2018 Master List of books are now being ordered for our member school libraries. If your school has not participated in the past and would like to receive this fabulous gift from NWKLS, please contact Mary Boller, tbbook@nwcls.org.

NWKLS began this grant in 2013-2014, 17 member schools currently participate in the program. Each year NWKLS has provided the opportunity for students, teachers, and staff to meet the yearly winning authors and participate in all the festivities of the annual award weekend. The William Allen White committee recently recognized NWKLS for making a distinct difference in the ability of our rural schools to participate and attend the William Allen White Award ceremony each year.

All we ask of school libraries and their students is to participate in the William Allen White Book Award program and be part of the yearly voting. We also offer an additional travel grant for you and your students to attend the annual award ceremony in October. <http://nwcls.org/forms/grant-forms/william-allen-white-ceremony-grant-application/>

If you need further information about the William Allen White Award program and how to initiate it in your school, you can find that information online at: <https://www.emporia.edu/libsv/wawbookaward/>

Looking forward to hearing from you!

~Mary Boller

Hoopla Launch: April 20th, 2017

Hoopla! It's so easy!

1. To register for Hoopla, you will need:
 - An e-mail address
 - Your library card # and PIN
 - For instructions on how to discover or correct yours and your patrons library PIN, call our office anytime.
2. Go to hoopladigital.com or install the mobile app on your device.
3. Enter your email address twice, then create a password that is at least 8 characters long; enter it twice.
4. Select the library you will be using for Hoopla. It may be one of the libraries in the top; you may have to select it from the drop menu.
5. Input your library card # and your PIN.
6. Click Submit, then click "Sign me up!" and then "Done."
7. Begin borrowing!

You can browse by media type and in categories, search by author or title or subject, etc., or view recommended titles.

Each patron gets five items per month!

Visit nwkls.org to find a tutorial on Hoopla. If you need further assistance, we are available during regular business hours: 1-800-432-2858.

Also, we are interested in hearing from you! Email consultant@nwkls.org to share about your experience. Thanks!

3-Step Sign-up

- 1 Download the app or go to hoopladigital.com
- 2 Log in with your library card
- 3 Borrow free digital movies, music, eBooks and more with no late fees!

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Ever feel like it takes forever to work through the Ingram platform? Wonder if you will ever have time to do anything **besides** ordering books? Did you figure out how to make Ingram work for you, finally, only to have an update **change everything**?

FEAR NOT.

We've got a workshop for that. An Ingram Expert will be here to answer ALL your questions.

Thursday, April 27th, 10 am — 3 pm

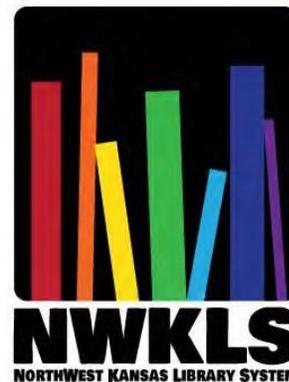
No rto n Community Room

Beginners' Section will start at 10 am.

More advanced training will be offered at 1 pm.

Feel free to come to either or both sessions.

Register with this [fo rm](#) . Lunch will be provided. Nonmember libraries may attend for a fee.



Mrs. Sherlock Holmes, By Brad Ricca

Review by Kristy Towne

This true crime nonfiction story depicts New York City's first female detective, Mrs. Grace Humiston, also known as "The woman in black." The story takes place in early 1900s during a time when women weren't involved in murder investigations or even allowed to vote. Dubbed "Mrs. Sherlock Holmes" due to her investigating prowess, she was one of only one thousand female lawyers in the country in 1905 and became the first female district attorney in the United States. She defended impoverished immigrants, investigated modern day slavery, and pursued missing girl cases. Her most captivating case was that of the disappearance of 18-year-old Ruth Cruger. After NYPD declared it a cold case, Grace took it upon herself to solve it on her own.

The book not only focuses on Mrs. Sherlock Holmes life and what made her famous but it also discusses important themes such as police indifference, modern day slavery, and how an important icon in history has all but since been forgotten. This was an emotional hard to put down read and I would recommend it not only to readers who enjoy nonfiction or biographies but for anyone who enjoys suspense, thrillers, or history. After reading it I realized there were parts in the beginning that didn't quite fit together until the end of the book. Now, I feel if I went back and read it a second time the whole story would fit together perfectly and I am sure there are things I missed. Definitely a book that requires full attention and focus to get the most out of it.

The Couple Next Door by Shari Lapena

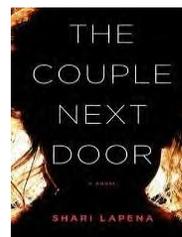
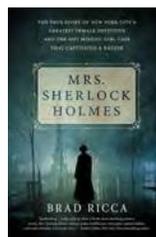
Review by Kamal

There's no denying that this is a **compulsive page-turner**. At the heart of the story is a frenzied pulse running rampant and it's addictive. Ending chapters with shocking revelations, casting doubt and making me waver on my belief of who was behind it all, time and time again. It was pure magic. For a thriller fan, this book will keep you guessing.

In the Company of Women: Inspiration and Advice from over 100 Makers, Artists, and Entrepreneurs by Grace Bonney

Review by Kamal

This is a very diverse and well-chosen collection of creative women and entrepreneurs with lovely photographs and good advice throughout. It is a beautifully styled book. It is not a business advice book, but more about each woman's personal drive to achieve and their experiences as a creative woman in the business world. I checked this book out so my daughter and I could read it together: to show her that with hard work and determination a woman can achieve a successful career.



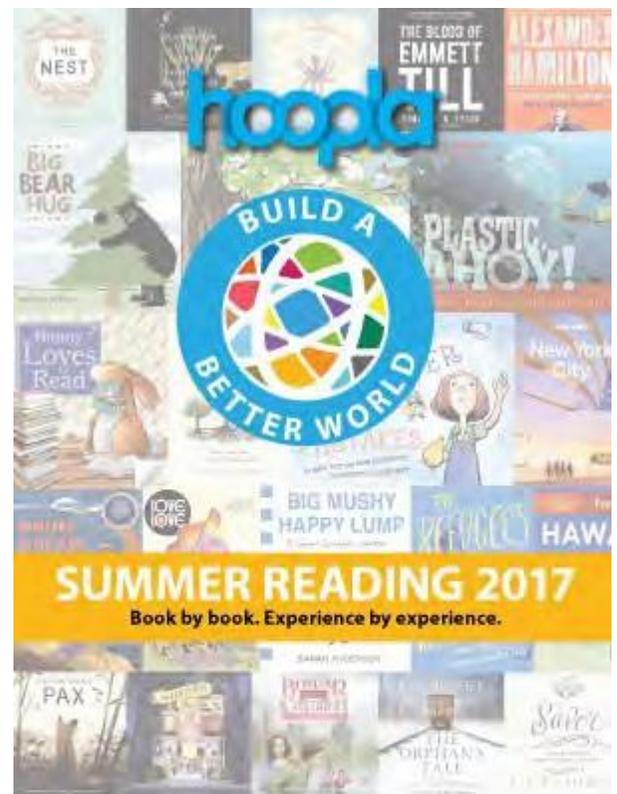
Summer Reading Workshop a Huge Success



Sherry Norfolk brought enthusiasm, love of story, and a contagious spirit to our 2017 Summer Reading Workshop in Oberlin, Kansas on February 28th. Special thanks to Capstone for their wonderful prizes and to the Gateway Civic Center for another terrific venue and meal. Remember, I am always happy to help you with your Summer Reading programming as a guest presenter or as a helper for the day.

I know the **Build A Better World!** theme will be a fun and interactive experience for all your patrons this summer.

~Mary Boller
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George's Update:

There are a lot of exciting things going on at NWKLS and across the state...

- Kansas Library Association (KLA) is moving to Northwest Kansas. The process has begun to move the physical location of the KLA office to Northwest Kansas Library System, which will also act as the executive secretary of the organization. We are extremely excited about this opportunity to make this important organization a part of western Kansas.
- NWKLS staff are going to try our hand at being stack movers. WaKeeney City Library and H.F. Davis Memorial Library at Colby Community College are both installing new carpet and need to have the stacks moved to get this accomplished. NWKLS is going to borrow stack movers from Central Kansas Library System and give it a go. Wish us luck!
- We are excited to announce our upcoming schedule of workshops:
 - April 27th -Ingram Training (see page 4)
 - June (TBA-online) -WordPress
 - August 8-10th — SAVE THE DATE!!! —Two-Day Retreat for Full System
 - Mental Health First Aid
 - Networking Opportunities
 - Much more...
 - September-STEM
 - October-Bus Tour and KLA Conference
 - November-Tech Day
- Please look at the Book Giveaway List again. We still have a lot of items that need a new home.

Remember, we are here to serve you, so please do not hesitate to call if you have questions!

St. Francis Public Library hosted their first ever author event last month when Terri Farley and Suzanne Morgen Williams came to NWKLS. Folks of all ages crowded the meeting room to try out the new technology (screen and projector) and share some writing tips. Thank you, Terri and Suzanne! And thank you, Michelle Wolfe for working so hard on the event!



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Norton Correctional Facility
- 27 INGRAM TRAINING I0-3 (CDT)
Norton Community Room
Norton Public Library

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Heartland
Sacred Heart
Brewster
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Hoxie
Wheatland
Quinter
- 3 *SCHOOL ROTATION PICK UP*—
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Oakley
Triplains
Wallace
Weskan
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Northern Valley
Norton High School
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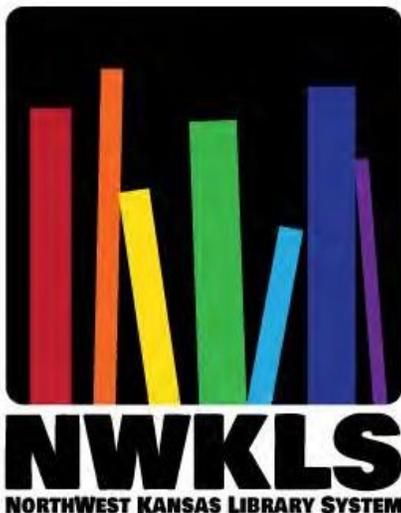
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Norton Correctional Facility

*School Rotation is delivered directly to the school and will be picked up from the school. Please do not send rotation books on courier or deliver to your local library, unless you are asked to do so on specific occasions. Please check your email for messages from Mary regarding any changes in the schedule or updates to procedures. Contact Mary if you need other accommodations regarding pick-up or drop-off.

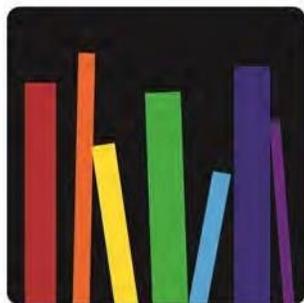
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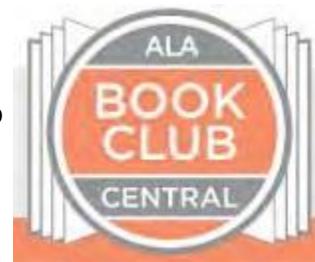
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NORTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM

July/August/September 2017

Report from ALA!

Meagan Zampieri and Kristy Towne were able to attend ALA in Chicago in order to bring innovation and information back to the NorthWest Kansas Library System. We are excited to get to share with you some of the amazing ideas, technology, and services we encountered when we come together at our retreat in August!



In the meantime, check out this beautifully designed set of resources from ALA as they launch the new project [Book Club Central](#) with the first book *No one is Coming to Save Us* by Stephanie Powell Watts. This debut novel is a recapturing of F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic *The Great Gatsby*, set in today's South. Watt's writing has been called lyrical, and critics hail her as a new voice that our literature was previously missing. She has won numerous awards, including a Whiting Award, a Pushcart Prize, and the Southern Women's Writers Award for Emerging Writer of the Year.

At Book Club Central, you will find librarians doing what librarians do best—talking about books and teaching others how to talk about books! The website has tips about starting, finding, developing, or being in a book club. You can sign up to receive newsletters, opening up access to author interviews and other



fantastic resources for your library. The blog provides “read next” type articles and “in the news” suggestions. Check them out!

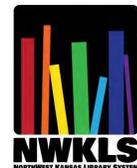
From an early age, books were my constant companions and my local library a place I could find a new friend on every shelf.

— Sarah Jessica Parker,
Honorary Chair for Book Club Central

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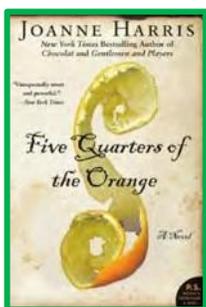
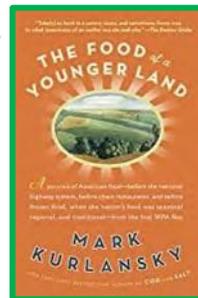
Top left: A large group of readers enjoyed the “Build a Better World” summer reading program at the Selden Public Library. Each child received a t-shirt at the final session on June 26. **Top right:** Vincent Taylor tosses the “discus” on the visit to Greece where the children tried out several Olympic games including javelin, discus, long jump, and weight lifting at the Selden Public Library on June 26. **Bottom left:** Brookelynn Vahling and Sidney Taylor assemble their mini-pizzas at the Italy visit on the last day of summer reading at the Selden Public Library. Participants were able to travel the world to learn about various countries to help them “Build a Better World.” (Three photos by Judy Rogers) **Bottom right:** Parker Vahling gives the piñata a good whack at the Mexico stop on the tour of countries at the Selden Public Library’s final meeting on June 26. They were all excited to break the piñata to get to the candy and toys inside (photo by Kaylie Schaben).

Selden Public Library, building up their kids to build a better world!



Join our own Meagan Zampieri and Melany Wilks as we work through this fall's selections from HPPR Radio Readers Book Club! Meagan is serving as Discussion Leader for the first book, and Melany will be on the air assisting the discussion in the month of September! We'll see you on the radio!

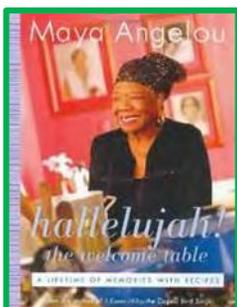
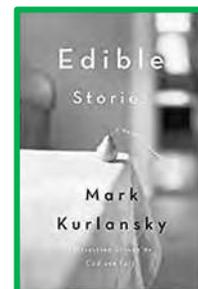
***The Food of a Younger Land* by Mark Kurlansky** The full title of this work describes the theme: *The Food of a Younger Land: A Portrait of American Food--Before the National Highway System, Before Chain Restaurants, and Before Frozen Food, When the Nation's Food Was Seasonal*. This portrait of American food before World War II is authored by Mark Kurlansky as taken from the 1930's New Deal's Federal Writers' Project chronicle of the eating habits, traditions, and struggles of people across the U.S. were collected by writers like Zora Neale Hurston and Eudora Welty. "America Eats" was abandoned in the 1940s, but Kurlansky has unearthed the literary and historical treasure in this work.



***Five Quarters of the Orange* by Joanne Harris** Author Joanne Harris sets our second selection in the small-town, postwar French village about which she wrote in *Chocolat*. Framboise Dartigan, tart despite being named for a raspberry, is the proprietor of a café in her home village but she is reluctant to talk about her past childhood during the German occupation. Food is a metaphor throughout this exploration of siblings who traded on the black market with the Germans – a distraction from a grim home life with a troubled mother and a father who had been killed in the war.

***Edible Stories* by Mark Kurlansky**

Kurlansky's love for and knowledge of food shines through these stories which address the ways bonds can hold people together or tear them apart. Whether it's vegan foods like a bean curd tofurkey, a hot dog, or Alaskan fish soup, a cast of characters honor the past and come to forgiveness. The range of foods is complemented by a range of emotions: laughter to sadness to understanding.



FOOD FRIDAYS! *Hallelujah! The Welcome Table: A Lifetime of Memories with Recipes* by Maya Angelou

Maya Angelou's renown extends beyond writing to her skills as a chef, shared often with a wide circle of friends. We'll celebrate this memoir each Friday with stories and posted recipes from Radio Readers Book Club members through Food Friday BookBytes! Enjoy reading of Angelou's life spiced with recipes and connection and then create your own memoir with recipes for posting!



An on-air, online community of readers, exploring themes of common interest to those who live and work on the High Plains.

More info at hpprradio.org

Live, on-air book discussion on November 18, 2017! Don't miss out!

NWKLS Full System Meeting and Retreat

Featuring

Lauren Hays, Co-Director of the Center for Games & Learning;

Romalyn Tilghman, author, *To the Stars Through Difficulties*;

and

Kevin Rabas, Kansas Poet Laureate, 2017.

August 9-10, 2017

Mount Sunflower Bed and Breakfast

Sharon Springs, KS

Including a Tour of the Brand-new

Sharon Springs Public Library.

We can't wait to see you!



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Wednesday August 9th (all times are MDT)

9:30am Registration & Coffee

10am-12pm Lauren Hays presents a "Gaming in Libraries" mini-conference.
12-1pm Executive Committee Meeting

1pm

Lunch

2-3pm

Full System Meeting

3-4:30pm

Networking Break

Book Discussion-To the Stars Through Difficulties
by Romalyn Tilghman

4:30-5pm

Book Discussion-An UNbook group

5-6pm

Networking Break

6-7pm

Dinner

7-9pm

Romalyn Tilghman, author
NWKL-Play!

Thursday August 10th

7:30am Coffee/snacks

7:45 am Geocaching at the park

9:30 am Break

10-11am Brunch

11am-12:30pm *Advocacy*, presented by George

12:30-1:30pm Table Talks

1:30 pm Chair Yoga

2-3 pm Sharon Springs Public Library Tour

3-4 pm Collection Development, presented by Meagan
4-5 pm Early Supper

5:30pm Kevin Rabas, Poet Laureate of Kansas 2017

Register [here](#) by August 2, 2017.

Or call 785-877-5148

HEAD-Treat!

Lauren Hays

“Lauren Hays is the Instructional and Research Librarian at Mid America Nazarene University and Co-Director for the Center for Games & Learning. She holds an undergraduate degree in education, a masters in library science, a masters in educational technology, and a graduate certificate in online teaching and learning. She was awarded the 2014 Beginning Professional’s Award from the College and University Library Section of the Kansas Library Association, and regularly publishes articles and presents at conferences.”

--Mid America Nazarene University

<http://www.mnu.edu/resources/center-for-games-and-learning/about.html>

Romalyn Tilghman

“Straight out of graduate school, Romalyn was hired as Executive Director of the Association of Community Arts Councils of Kansas and was lucky enough to work with rural arts councils throughout the state. From there, she went on to work for the National Endowment for the Arts as Regional Representative, eventually serving a territory that stretched over the Dateline, over the Equator, and over the Arctic Circle. For more than twenty years, she has worked as a freelance consultant in the arts – conducting strategic planning, initiating audience engagement projects, and assessing grant programs for nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and private foundations. She has served on the boards of Americans for the Arts, Association of California Symphony Orchestras, and Western Arts Alliance, as well as on numerous national panels. She lives in Long Beach, California.

To the Stars through Difficulties is Romalyn’s first novel, which won the Independent Publishers (IPPY) Book gold medal award for contemporary fiction. It was inspired by the 59 Carnegie libraries built in Kansas in the early 20th century and has been described as ‘a love letter to libraries.’”

--Bio Submitted by Author to Washburn University

<http://www.washburn.edu/referenc/cks/mappin/g/tilghman/index.html#bio>

Kevin Rabas

“Kevin is a poet, jazz musician, and professor who teaches poetry and playwriting at Emporia State University. He also chairs the Department of English, Modern Languages, and Journalism. His collection of poems, *Lisa’s Flying Electric Piano*, was a Kansas Notable Book in 2010 and a winner of the Nelson Poetry Book Award. He is the winner of the Langston Hughes Award for Poetry, the Victor Contoski Poetry Award, and the Jerome Johanning Playwriting Award, among others. His most recent poetry collection, *Songs for My Father: Poems & Stories*, was published by Meadowlark in 2016.”

--Kansas Humanities Council

<http://kansashumanities.org/programs/poet-laureate-of-kansas/>

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2017 NWKLS CALENDAR

July

- 5 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Rexford
Colby
Davis
Brewster
Goodland
- 11 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Jennings
Selden
Oakley
Wallace
Weskan
Sharon Springs
- 12 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(PIONEER MEMORIAL, 3:00 PM)
- 18 ROTATION
Norcatur
Oberlin
Bird City
St. Francis
- 25 ROTATION
Norton

August

- 1 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
WaKeeney
Quinter
Lenora
Almena
- 9 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
12 PM MT. SUNFLOWER B & B;

FULL SYSTEM MEETING AND RETREAT [SEE P. 5 FOR DETAILS](#)
- 15 ROTATION—IST STOP, 8:30 AM
Hoxie
Grainfield
Gove
Grinnell
- 22 ROTATION
Norton Correctional Facility

September

- 5 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Rexford
Colby
Davis
Brewster
NWKTC
Goodland
- 7 SCHOOL ROTATION
Colby
Heartland
Sacred Heart
Brewster
Goodland
- 12 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Jennings
Selden
Oakley
Wallace
Weskan
Sharon Springs
- 13 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(PIONEER MEMORIAL, 3:00 PM)
- 14 SCHOOL ROTATION
Golden Plains
Oakley
Triplains
Wallace
Weskan
- 19 ROTATION
Norcatur
Oberlin
Bird City
St. Francis
- 21 SCHOOL ROTATION
Oberlin
Cheylin
St. Francis

We at NWKLS love serving you, and one of the things we love to do is MAKE KITS. We've recently had a request for more outdoor activity YT! Kits. **Do you have any ideas?** We would love to hear about programming successes, failures, and problems you're having. Maybe we can come up with a solution together!

Call or email with suggestions or questions!

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October/November/December 2017

FINAL ISSUE!

Greetings, NorthWest Kansas. As you know, we are constantly updating our job descriptions and our skills to bring you the service you require. One of these services that you have come to enjoy is this newsletter. The *Vertical Files* will be going on hiatus for the foreseeable future in an attempt to modernize our communication with you. We will be updating our website with regular blog posts and articles of interest to you. Due to the time constraints of doing that work more often, there won't be time to create this pretty copy.

There are a few things we hope this accomplishes. First, we hope that it is more current. Waiting three months to tell you the news of our System's work is a long time! We are excited to be able to include video updates, like when we moved stacks at the libraries in July! We can live-blog our trips to see you. Links to workshop pics can be in your inbox when you get back to the library the next day—which means that you can include them in your director's reports or your own newsletters and websites! If someone sends me a compelling consulting question, I can not only write an answer that might be useful to everyone around, I can also include the resources that I used to answer it! We want this to be a more dynamic communication tool, and we are confident it will be.

We can sign up your library email accounts to receive updates when we post. This will allow us to keep you posted, but it will also keep us conscientious about junking up your inbox and not posting TOO much.

I have really enjoyed creating this newsletter quarterly for the last three years. I have honed some abilities and developed some new ones. I am looking forward to putting those skills to work in digital format at nwks.org, starting in January. If you have questions about our plan, please don't hesitate to call or email.

Thank you for letting us serve you!

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Full Steam Ahead!!
The STEAM workshop was a success! Pat and Marcy (left) share their wisdom with the crowd, and Judy and Steve (right) practice engineering ramps! FUN DAY!



St. Francis, you look pretty! Northwest Kansas Library System had the pleasure of assisting Michelle Wolff and the staff and trustees at SFPL. We rented the stack movers, moved the shelves, waited for the new carpet to be laid, and moved the shelves back! St. Francis now has a mess-resistant meeting room, where they can have storytime and crafts. Michelle decided to arrange the shelves in a fancy fan shape after she saw the work that Tara Schroer, her crew, and NWKLS did at HF Davis Memorial Library in Colby! Librarians On Rotation is a successful program so far! What ideas are you gonna get when you head on out on the van??

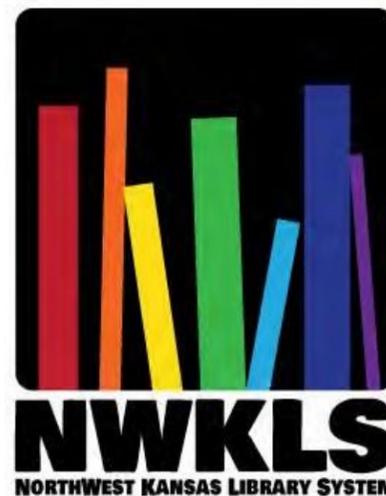


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October

- 3 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
WaKeeney
Quinter
Lenora
Almena
- 10 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9:30 AM
Hoxie
Grainfield
Gove
Grinnell
- 17 ROTATION
Norton Correctional Facility
- 25—27 **Kansas Library Association Annual Conference, Wichita, KS**
- 31 SCHOOL ROTATION
Colby
Heartland
Sacred Heart
Brewster
Goodland

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November

- 7 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
Rexford
Colby
Davis
Brewster
NWKTC
Goodland
- 8 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (PIONEER MEMORIAL, 3:00 PM)
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Jennings
Selden
Oakley
Wallace
Weskan
Sharon Springs
- 16 SCHOOL ROTATION
Golden Plains
Oakley
Triplains
Wallace
Weskan
- 17 **NWKLS TECH DAY!!!**
HF DAVIS MEM. LIBRARY,
COLBY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
10 AM TO 3 PM
- SCHOOL ROTATION
Oberlin
Cheylin
St. Francis
- 21 ROTATION—IST STOP 8:30 AM
Norcatour
Oberlin
Bird City
St. Francis
- 28 ROTATION
Norton

December

- 5 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9 AM
WaKeeney
Quinter
Lenora
Almena
- 7 SCHOOL ROTATION
Northern Valley
Norton
- 12 ROTATION—IST STOP, 9:30 AM
Hoxie
Grainfield
Gove
Grinnell
- 13 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ZOOM, 4 PM
- 14 SCHOOL ROTATION
Hoxie
Wheatland
Quinter
- 19 ROTATION
Norton Correctional Facility

NWKLS Librarian on Rotation is a PERMANENT ADDITION to our practice. If you or a member of your staff or board would like to ride along with Kristy on Rotation, contact Kristy at [ro tatio n@nwkl s.o](mailto:rotatio n@nwkl s.o) or just call the office.

We'll pay your mileage to the meeting point, and you'll get to see the BEAUTIFUL LIBRARIES of NorthWest Kansas!

WWI - Perspectives

2018 Spring Read Booklist

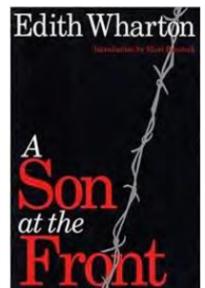
War Horse (Michael Morpurgo) Through the narration of Joey, an English farm horse, this novel depicts unspeakable slaughter of soldiers on all sides of a brutal war. Readers explore the battles through the words in many languages of men overheard by this valiant animal by doing so, understand the conflict from the front lines. The book is categorized as young adult fiction in that it is set against the strong connection between Albert, the son of the farmer who is forced to sell Joey to the army. Some have suggested that the book is sentimental, but even so, set against the noise and fury of guns and battles, the book holds an eloquent message about peace.



Burning Beethoven (Erik Kirschbaum) The full title of this nonfiction book is *Burning Beethoven – The Eradication of German Culture in World War I*. Given the fact that Russian and German immigrants had revolutionized wheat production in the southern plains, and that the substantial reservoir of their labor contributed significantly to the settlement of the Great Plains, this exposé on a dark chapter of American history is particularly interesting. During World War I, what had been a flourishing German culture in the United States was wiped out by a fury of anti-German hysteria during which the German language, schools, churches, and newspapers were eradicated and immigrants and citizens became targets of hate, persecution, and even lynchings and vigilante hangings.



A Son at the Front (Edith Wharton) Wharton portrays those left behind during war, the devastated parents who are forced to go on living at the cost of their own flesh and blood. The novel chronicles the effects of WWI on painter John Campton and his only child, George. Despite his parents' efforts to keep him away from battle, to keep him safe, son George has his own ideas about serving. By understanding the son against his father and parents, Campton learns the value of his son and the empathy and sensitivity of one who cares about more than himself and his immediate family.



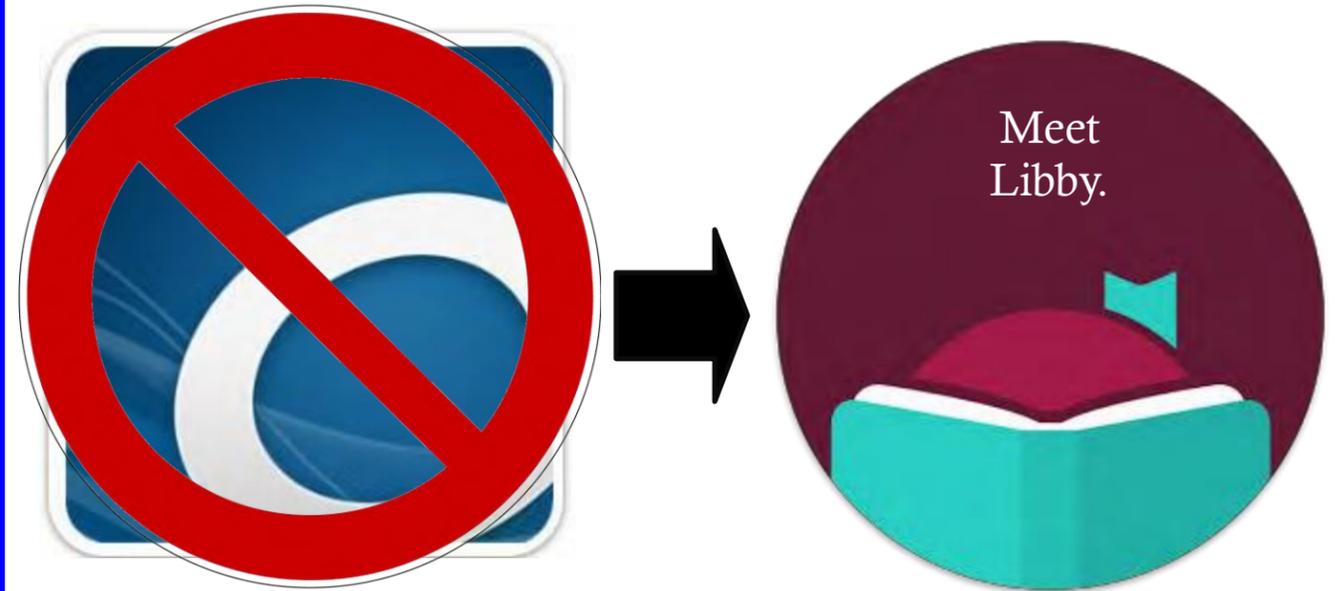
Above the Dreamless Dead: World War I in Poetry & Comics (Chris Duffy, ed.) As the catastrophic death toll of World War I rose, the Trench Poets emerged. Soldier-poets dispatched verse from the front line rejecting war as a romantic or noble enterprise. Paired with drawings from notable cartoonists working today, this work is a tribute to those who fought and died in World War I.



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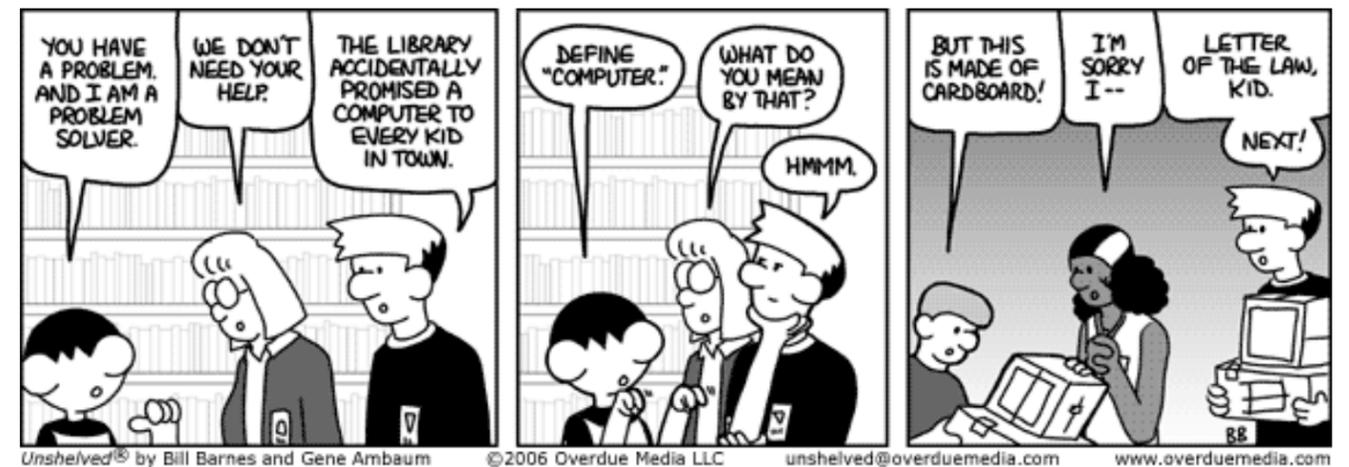
In with the New—Apps Edition!



Overdrive readers! Meet Libby! Users can continue to use the old overdrive app for now; however, you should start learning Libby and introduce *new* eBook customers to Overdrive's new app, Libby for Overdrive. It's super easy, and it works very similarly! NWKLS Academy has an updated tutorial already!



Audiobook readers, listen up, too! Our state library resource, OneClickDigital, has also undergone a makeover! Recorded Books rolled out this update over the summer, and it's a pretty good one. The interface seems to have a better memory for you, and it remains pretty user friendly. Look for an app that looks like this





Cyndie Aumiller, Meritorious Service Award winner, is the school librarian at Hoxie Community Schools, the board chair at Sheridan County Public Library, and a member of the NWKLS Executive Committee. Cyndie has risen to the challenge of juggling dual roles of serving as not only the librarian but also as the preschool teacher. She has tirelessly served the Hoxie Schools for over three years. During her time she has completely weeded and updated both school libraries. From the very beginning, Cyndie made it a point to work closely with the KASL group to improve and assimilate all of the most recent and successful programming for school libraries across Kansas. When NWKLS implemented the William Allen White grants, Cyndie had her students reading, reading, reading and applied for the travel grant to take her students to the award ceremony in Emporia. She has proven to be a leading force in school

media in NW Kansas; it is only fitting she will soon serve as the KASL District president.

Michelle Wolff, New Librarian of the Year 2017, has been the library director at St. Francis Public Library since April 2016. She has started saying YES to loud children, events, learning, and change. During this time, she wrote a grant to renovate an empty storage space into a teen room with gaming systems, comfy chairs, and beginnings of a reading collection. She also renovated the meeting room, making it a space for people to come together with a projector, screen, new tables and chairs, Blue-Ray Player and sound system. She upgraded the computers, wrote new policy or updated old policies, and weeded and organized the books. She did all of this by finding money no one had found before and while working three jobs and taking care of her family. She is dedicated to the library,

which was demonstrated by her 12-hour drive to Wichita and back in one day to complete her requirements for ApPLE.

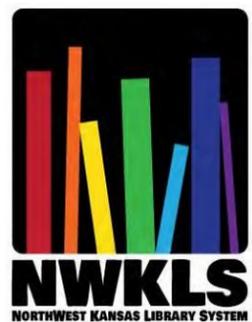
Dian Burns, Librarian of the Year 2017, is the librarian at Bird City Public Library. She has been at the library just over two years. Dian willingly accepts innovative ideas, projects, and technology to better the library and the community. Dian leads by example. She is willing to implement change in her life before she shares it with others. She views the library as being something that extends beyond the four walls of the building. She has bridged the gap between the library and Latinos in her community. Dian has found other funding opportunities to support the library, updated policy, and worked with the previous library director to redo the library and support a smooth transition. She even travels to St. Francis to support Michelle in her efforts.

Sharon Spring Public Library Trustees, pictured above, accepted our recognition for their work as trustees in working together to build their new library. Their collaboration and commitment have made for a phenomenal new space, which we were proud to show off at our Full System Read-Treat. Congratulations, SSPL!

We at NWKLS are pleased and proud to serve—and be served by—the phenomenal members of our community. We continue to be amazed by you and all you do!

Who's AWESOME?

YOU'RE AWESOME!



Tech Day: November 17, 2017

HF Davis Library, CCC

10am — 3 pm
Registration starts Nov 1st