

Programming ideas and resources

[Fiber Art Group: Hammer Dyeing with Flowers](#) (Programming Librarian, May 30)

[How Library Dads Group Promotes Child Literacy and Brotherhood](#) (NBC, May 29)

[Summer Reading Challenges Aren't Just for Kids](#) (The New York Times, May 30)

[Memory cafes offer camaraderie and fun for people with dementia — and their caregivers](#) (NPR, May 31)

- To learn more about memory cafes in Kentucky and resources available through state agencies, view this webinar, [Memory Cafes: Serving Up Support and Connections at the Library](#)

“Have you heard about Memory Cafes but are unsure about what they are or how to offer them in your library? Are you interested in learning about what resources exist at the state level to support patients who have dementia and Alzheimer’s and their caregivers? If so, this webinar will provide information regarding these questions and more.”

- KDLA has a couple of books that may help you in working with patrons and their family members who are affected by dementia.
 - [The 36-hour day: a family guide to caring for people with Alzheimer disease, other dementias, and memory loss in later life](#)
 - [Library dementia services : how to meet the needs of the Alzheimer's community](#)
- KDLA also has programming kits that you can use with older adults. ***Email me if you want to learn more about these kits or ways to use them with your patrons.** 😊



- [Air Travel in Kentucky](#)
- [Automobiles and Highways in Kentucky](#)
- [Child-rearing and Home Life in Kentucky](#)

- [Classic Party Games for Seniors](#)
- [Cognitive stimulation activities for therapeutic recreation](#)
- [Cooking and Food Culture in Kentucky](#)
- [Kentucky Baseball](#)
- [Kentucky Basketball](#)
- [Kentucky Football](#)
- [Senior Trivia Activities](#)

Opportunity

[Building Community Trust Through Libraries](#) (WebJunction and others)

Public libraries are among the most trusted institutions in the U.S., providing spaces where people of all backgrounds can connect, learn, and build a shared future. Yet, in a time of increasing division, libraries play a crucial role in fostering social trust and civic engagement.

To support this vital work, **IREX, the Urban Libraries Council, and OCLC's WebJunction** are launching a **national coalition** of urban, rural, and tribal public libraries. Based on the [Bridgebuilding Resource Hub](#), this initiative will equip library professionals with the tools, strategies, and support they need to bridge divides and strengthen trust in their communities. Join the community of practice at this link: [Building Community Trust Through Libraries](#).

Webinars and training

[Back to basics: Sharpening foundational skills with LiFT](#) (WebJunction)

Library Foundational Training, a refreshed series of courses designed to empower library staff with the essential skills they need to succeed. LiFT builds on the legacy of the ABLE courses, updating and modernizing the content to reflect current best practices. Developed in partnership with the ICfL, LiFT will initially focus on collection management and collection development, one of the top training needs identified in our recent surveys.

[Effective Strategies to Show Off Your Work](#) (National Federation of Families / National Family Support)

June 18; 2pm, ET; Free

We all play a role in communicating about the importance of our work – to funders, agency leaders, peers, and community members. Join us to learn strategies that will make us more effective communicators! This session will help participants think about how they share their work with others, why that matters, and how to create messages that connect with different people. The session will include opportunities to work together, share ideas, and learn from each other.

[Librarian's Guide to Consumer Health](#) (Network of the National Library of Medicine)

July 14-August 8 (self-paced course); Free, but you need to register for an account

[Health Statistics on the Web](#) (Network of the National Library of Medicine)

July 29; 1:00pm, ET; Free, but you need to register for an account

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