Good morning. I hope that all of you are doing well and staying safe.

In this week's digest you will find information about music programming, Digital Inclusion Week, book and workforce news, and grant and scholarship opportunities.

Please let me know if you have any questions about any of the items listed in this message or anything else related to adult services and workforce development. I will do my best to help you.

May you have a great day and week.

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Programming
- The Dance Music Archive is a digital resource for everything related to dance music, and it launched in August 2021. This year is also the 40th anniversary of MTV, and the American Libraries' Call Number podcast had an episode on libraries and hip-hop. I know that some of your libraries have already had programming around MTV's anniversary or other music-related programming. If you need more ways to celebrate music and culture, here are some ideas.
    - Share about the Dance Music Archive and other music-related sites (like AllMusic) with your community members, and promote your library's materials about dance music, other music genres, and musicians from your community, Kentucky, and abroad.

    - The most recent issue of *American Libraries* has an article related to music-programming that may be useful as well, Stream On: Amplifying Local Sounds by Bill Furbee.

- Podcast about veterans and libraries: Serving our veterans American Libraries Call # podcast. The first half features an academic librarian who is also an U.S. Air Force veteran, and the second half of the podcast is with the library director of the Barr Memorial Library at Fort Knox, KY. The library director at Barr Memorial Library shares a few programming ideas during the podcast.

- I know some of you are participating in the 9/11 poster display. The latest *American Libraries* has articles related to 9/11 that you may want to highlight as well. Scroll down the page and click on "More Stories" to see the 9/11-related articles. One of the articles is Defenders of Patron Privacy: After challenging the Patriot Act, four librarians reflect on privacy in the digital age. The authors of the article talk with four public librarians who defended the privacy of patrons, something that you all continue to do today.

- Exploring Genealogy You may be able to adapt these programs, which are offered at the Springfield-Greene Co. Library in Missouri, for your library.

- As the holidays approach, consider offering programs about holiday spending on a budget or homemade gift options. Contact your local Cooperative Extension office for ideas or to have the extension agent present a virtual or in-library program.

- [National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week](#) will be held from September 19-25, and you can find ideas on how to participate in this week [here](#). There is also an [advocacy guide](#) with links to other sites related to adult literacy and education.
    - For those of you who work with English Language Learners, here is [a video tutorial](#) about finding content in other languages on PBS LearningMedia.

- Digital Inclusion Week is October 4-8. Find resources on programming and how to promote digital inclusion at this [site](#).

Health-related information
[Mental health resources for library workers and patrons](#) (National Library of Medicine, August 3)
There are several links at the site above, including links for disaster distress helpline, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, and the Veteran's Crisis Line.

[Building Community with Dementia Services webinar](#)
As part of this year's Virtual ALA Conference, there was a program offered called **Building Community with Dementia Services.** Free access to this 51 minute webinar is available via [this link.](#)

The [Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion](#) (part of the U.S. Department for Health and Human Services) has a [toolkit for the updated dietary guidelines](#). The toolkit is designed for health professionals, however there are fact sheets designed for the public within the kit. This is a free resource.

Workforce programming
Information Technology
-Share and promote any library materials related to computer science, coding, programming, network administration, smart phone apps, etc.
-If your library has a makerspace, host an open house or a 'get to know' your makerspace. This can be a virtual event. You can use this opportunity to explain the technology that is there and how your community members can use the equipment. The open house can be an avenue for encouraging your patrons to explore the makerspace and the possibilities that exist within the technology industry. The Madison County Public Library recently [shared about their Maker Lab](#) with The Berea Citizen.
-Ask if your IT Administrator is willing to be interviewed about their role and how they got into this career path. If you aren't able to interview your IT Administrator, see if there is another IT professional (Network Administrator at a local health care facility, Computer Science faculty member at your local high school or university, or a programmer who is working remotely) in your community or region who is willing to be virtually interviewed. Some of the questions can include: what training and/or education do you have, how did you get into this career, what do you like about the IT field, what tips would you share with someone who is interested in this field, what are some of the neat and/or unusual experiences you have had in this career?

Resources and news to share with your patrons:
- [Code Kentucky](#)

- Commonwealth Coders
  https://www.nkytribune.com/2021/07/northern-kentuckians-can-get-free-training-through-new-code-kentucky-software-development-program/

https://southcentralworkforce.com/index.php/commonwealth-coders/

- KET's Careers in Demand on Business and Information Technology

- Simmons College of Kentucky partnering with Apple to teach coding to broader communities

- O*Net and Occupational Outlook Handbook resources:

    O*Net: Computers

    O*Net: Information Technology

    Occupational Outlook Handbook: Computer and Information Technology occupations

News

The Before Columbus Foundation announces the Winners of the Forty-Second Annual AMERICAN BOOK AWARDS
(Before Columbus Foundation, August 24)

Best Debuts: 37 Key Summer and Fall 2021 Titles (Barbara Hoffert, Library Journal, August 16)

Call Number Podcast: Serving Our Veterans (American Libraries, August 20)
        *The podcast features the library director from Barr Memorial Library in Fort Knox, KY.

CPE, Kentucky Stats Center launch college cost comparison tool (Aaron Mudd, Bowling Green Daily News, September 2)

A Community Engagement Revolution: How Paying Program Participants Can Make Your Library More Equitable
(Hannah Arata, Programming Librarian, August 18)

Goodwill to bring a high school for adults to Louisville (Dakota Sherek, WDRB, August 17)

Gov. Beshear Announces Newest Kentucky Work Ready Communities (Diane Dyer, BeechTreeNews, August 24, 2021)

Gov. Beshear awards $75M to Vocational Education Centers (Miya Andrews, KFVS 12, September 1)

IFLA: Working Together for a Better Future (Raymond Pun, American Libraries, August 25, 2021)

July 2021 Kentucky unemployment rate holds steady at 4.4% (The Lane Report, August 19)
        State releases county unemployment data (KYStats, August 26)

Kentucky Programs Powering Skills Training for 18,000-plus Kentuckians (Press release, August 19)

National survey finds libraries play expanded role in digital equity, bridging gaps in access to technology (American
Library Association, August 31)

Serving the Incarcerated During the Pandemic (Douglas Crane, Public Libraries Online, August 30)

[Velvet Was the Night](#) by Silvia Moreno-Garcia was released on August 17. If you have people clamoring to read this author, KDLA has a book discussion kit for *[Mexican Gothic](#)* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia, and the kit can be requested [here](#).

[We Asked, You Answered: Your 50 Favorite Sci-Fi And Fantasy Books Of The Past Decade](#) (Petra Mayer, NPR, August 18)

Webinars/Trainings
Please note that some of these training opportunities are fee-based. Also, an inclusion here does not equal an endorsement.

[Building Career Pathway Programs for English-Language Learners](#) (KET and EnGen)
September 8, 2021, 2:30pm, Eastern; Free

[The New Credential Finder: An Example of What is Possible](#) (Credential Engine)
September 15, 2021 at 2:00pm, Eastern; Free

[Design and Marketing for Libraries](#) (ALA's RUSA)
September 20-October 18, 2021;
$130 for RUSA members
$175 for ALA members
$210 for non-ALA members
$100 for student members and retired members

[Howard L. Bost Memorial Health Policy Forum](#)
September 20: 12:30-5:00pm, ET; Free
September 21: 9:00am-2:30pm, ET; Free
The two-day virtual forum, hosted by the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky and presented by Aetna Better Health of Kentucky, will explore growing vaccine hesitancy in America and in Kentucky. While the topic includes vaccines in general, it is especially relevant in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.
Additional topics include:
· The influence of policy measures on vaccine rates
· Improving Kentucky's vaccine registry
· Vaccine research, development and approval
· Vaccines in schools
· Vaccine hesitancy
· Messaging campaign successes
· Early childhood, youth and adult vaccines

[Fostering an Antiracist Library Culture: Online Workshop and Guest Speaker Program](#) (Library Journal)
September 28, October 5, and October 12; 2:00-4:00pm, ET; Registration fees range from: $225 – $289

[Skills in the States Forum 2021](#) (National Skills Coalition)
October 5-6, 2021; 12:00pm-3:15pm, ET; Free
The Skills in the States Forum will bring together workforce advocates, researchers, practitioners, and others from across the country to discuss state skills training policies and how they can advance economic opportunity and racial equity. The event will explore policies and strategies to drive equitable opportunity and investments for workers and businesses across states.

[Reaching Your Community with Targeted Marketing Workshop](#)
October 6; 2:30-4:00pm, ET;

$79.00 for nonmembers
$71.10 for ALA Members
Group rate registration also available for $279.00

[Evaluating, Auditing and Diversifying Your Collections](#) (Library Journal)
October 19, 26, and November 2; 2:00pm-4:00pm, ET; Registration fees range from $85 - $289

[From Collection to Action: 'Read Woke' Mini Course with Cicely Lewis](#) (Library Journal)
November 9, 10:00am-1:30pm, $85

Grants and Scholarships
The Institute of Museum and Library Services is now accepting FY 2022 proposals for [National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG-L)](#) and the [Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian program (LB21)](#).
Applicants have through **September 24, 2021**, to submit their two-page preliminary proposals.

The American Library Association announced the [Let's Talk about It: Women's Suffrage](#) grant. Applications will be accepted from September 1 to December 1, 2021. Library workers can apply online at [ala.org/ltai](#).
- Let's Talk About It (LTAI): Women's Suffrage is a reading and discussion project that will spark conversations across the United States about the women's suffrage movement.
- Led by libraries in their communities, participants will read a series of books, curated by humanities scholars, and discuss the people and events from this important part of U.S. history.
- Twenty-five libraries will be selected in 2022 to receive materials and funding to lead the first Let's Talk About It: Women's Suffrage discussions.
- LTAI: Women's Suffrage is a humanities discussion project supported by the [National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)](#).

The American Library Association also announced that [scholarships are available](#) for those pursuing a graduate degree in library science.

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