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Banned Books Week Set for Sept. 23-29



Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read.

Typically held during the last week of September, it spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools. Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community — librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers — in shared

support of the freedom to seek and express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

[ALA's Office of Intellectual Freedom website](#) shares:

- Display Ideas
- Coloring Sheets
- Lists of Banned and Challenged Books
- More

There are several ways your library can celebrate Banned Books Week this year. Take a look at a few of the links below.

[Banned Books Week](#)

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"Active Threat" Workshop Set for October 4



Responding To Active Threat in the Workplace

Thursday, October 4; 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Presented by: Eric Anderson, CVTC

Workshop Location: Neillsville

3 contact hours

Did you know 47% of active threat incidences occurred in businesses? What actions would you take?

According to the FBI, Active Shooter Incidents are on the rise. Workplace violence is a growing concern in both the public and private sectors. This instructor-led course is designed to bridge the gap between responding officers and businesses in an active threat situation. It is not about fear mongering. It is about empowering individuals. You learn how to prevent, report, and protect yourself and your employees from an active threat during the critical moments while waiting for a police presence to arrive and what to expect from the officers once they are on scene.

In this presentation, you will:

- Learn actions to take when confronted by an active shooter situation
- Learn how to cause distraction to the threat
- Establish proper practice for an active shooter, the modern fire drill

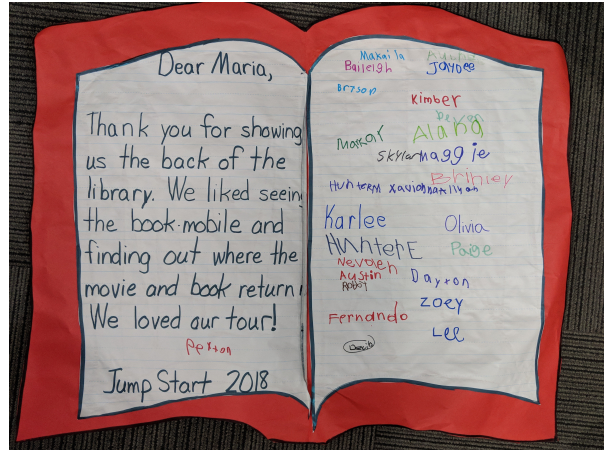
[Register](#)

Eric Anderson is the Director of Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement Academy and Jail Academy at CVTC. His experience in the United States Marine Corps, law enforcement, training and education spans over 30 years. He served a six-year assignment as a special agent with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS); is a Gulf War veteran and served in Southwest Asia during Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm and the Liberation of Kuwait.

Antigo Gives Behind-the-Scenes Tours

The Antigo Public Library recently gave over 60 Jumpstart students a behind-the-scenes tour. Jumpstart is the summer school version of Headstart or Pre-K.

This was the first tour for the library for the school year, and they plan to do several more over the next few months. Kids love learning how the library works.



"People can always see the public areas of the library, but it's the working areas which make these tours special," said Director Dominic Frandrup. "As a staff, we are big geeks, so our work spaces have fun things and are great conversation starters about books that kids can read."

Frandrup said he has been asked to give a similar tour to the Antigo Rotary Club and would consider doing them for other adult groups.

"We are all about sharing knowledge and helping our community, so giving behind-the-scenes tours are a fun way to do that," he said.

For more information, you can reach Frandrup at 715-623-3724 or dfrandrup@antigopl.org.

10 Things You Now Know About...Kay Heiting



Kay Heiting is starting her fifth year as the Director of the Granton Community Library, a combined library that serves the school district and community. She loves that her library shares resources between the school and the public library, because they can offer great materials for their small town.

Here are 10 more things to know about Kay.

- 1) Milk, water, or orange juice? *Water*
- 2) The funniest thing I have ever seen a kid do in the library is... *After I read*

"Brown Bear, Brown Bear" to a bunch of preschoolers, one little girl checked it out and "read it" to the class. But, she had to make sure they were paying attention. "Class, make sure to answer me? What did he see?" I don't think I said that when I read it.

3) Which celebrity chef would you like to make you dinner? *Gordon Ramsey*

4) The last bridge I drove over was...*The one that goes over the GRANTON Pond.*

5) Favorite book from your childhood? *"The Little House" by Virginia Lee Burton*

6) An App I can't live without is ? *I really like Feedly. It is a way to organize blogs and articles. You can read the articles in sort of a magazine style, flipping through the ones you aren't interested in and saving the ones you want to read later. I also CAN'T live without Pokemon Go, Candy Crush and the three different email Apps.*

7) Favorite family tradition: *When we put up the Christmas tree, we make snacks and listen to Christmas music as we decorate. This usually happens the weekend after Thanksgiving.*

8) What are your two favorite hobbies. *Spending time with my family and traveling*

9) Quote that you live by? *Everything happens for a reason.*

10) If I wasn't a librarian, I would be a ? *Are you kidding me? Being a librarian is my dream job!*

Madison Children's Performer Visits Gilman



Summer Library Programs at libraries have wrapped up in conjunction with the "Libraries Rock" theme. What better way to incorporate the theme than to have a singer and storyteller visit the library?

This summer, Madison-based children's entertainer David Landau visited the Western Taylor County Public Library. In 2016, Landau was voted the Children's Performer of the Year by the Madison Area Music Association. Landau incorporates dancing, singing and storytelling into his performances.

The Gilman community had a great time dancing and singing with Landau.

3 Reasons You Should Attend the WLA Conference



Last week, [registration opened for the 2018 WLA Conference](#) in La Crosse, scheduled for Oct. 23-26.

Early bird registration rates are available until September 28, so the next few weeks are the perfect time to register. Why should you try to attend?

1) You get a lot of bang for your buck.

The WLA Conference spans two and a half days of programs to attend. The registration rates for WLA members and non-members at \$185 and \$350 are of great value.

2) You receive contact hours.

For librarians who need contact hours for re-certification, attending the entire conference provides 15 of them. This means that almost 20% of the 100 contact hours needed in a five-year-period may be received in just over two days!

3) You can make or renew connections.

There are plenty of opportunities at lunch, dinner, and during breaks to connect with over 800 library colleagues from around the state. You can meet new people, or reconnect with people you have met at conferences.

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