WISL PRIDE
A RAINBOW OF FUN IN WISCONSIN SMALL LIBRARIES

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Pride Quotes

“People should just be allowed to look in the mirror and see all kinds of possibilities.”
M-E Girard, Girl Mans Up

“I suppose that a lifetime spent hiding one's erotic truth could have a cumulative renunciatory effect. Sexual shame is in itself a kind of death.”
Alison Bechdel, Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic
WLA Conference Scholarship

An opportunity to make you "WISL!"

Calling all Wisconsin Small Librarians! We want you to join us at the WLA Annual Conference—and are providing one or two librarians the chance to do so with a scholarship. The scholarship is in the amount of $400 for lodging, registration, meals and mileage (may be divided into two $200 awards if the full award is not needed.)

This annual scholarship is available to applicants meeting the following criteria:

- Employed by a Wisconsin library or information agency with 4 FTE or less or have a service population of under 6000 people (Grade II or Grade III Certification).
- Must be willing to communicate knowledge gained, especially how this knowledge can be applied to small libraries and to fellow WISL members.
- Must be a member of WLA and the Wisconsin Small Libraries Section at the time of application.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of:

- Need and desire for scholarship.
- Small and rural library leadership potential.
- Previous conference attendance opportunities (Previous attendees of the WLA Annual Fall Conference or scholarship recipients are encouraged to re-apply).

Scholarship recipients will be expected to:

- Attend the entire conference for which the scholarship has been awarded.
- Attend a combination of at least 2 WISL meetings/programs while at the conference.
- Submit a newsletter article to WISL While You Work (WISL newsletter) sharing what the recipient learned from the conference.

Applications will be evaluated by a committee of the Wisconsin Small Libraries Section Board. Applications are due on August 1st, 2021.

The application link is online at:
https://www.wisconsinlibraries.org/wisl-scholarship
RAINBOW ACTIVITIES

Decorate Your Own Sunglasses

You'll need:
- Sunglasses
- Rainbow cutouts (Free downloadable pdf)
- Hot glue, glue, or double sided tape
- Glitter
- Pompoms
- Tassels
- Glitter glue
- Gemstones
- Feathers
- Anything rainbow!

Decorating tips:

This is a great opportunity to use leftover craft supplies from other programming.

Dot glue only around the edges of sunglasses to avoid blocking your vision.

Nothing is too much! The whole point is to have fun and make a statement.

For more project tips, check out https://bit.ly/3bXUtpq

Photos courtesy of Hallmark Think. Make. Share. Blog
Walking Water Rainbow Experiment

Supplies Needed:
- Small plastic cups or glasses
- Paper towels
- Food coloring in primary colors
- Water

1. Place 7 cups in a row and pour water in the 1st, 3rd, 5th, and 7th cup. Fill about 3/4.
2. Add 5 drops of red food coloring to the 1st cup and the 7th cup.
3. Add 5 drops of yellow food coloring to the 3rd cup.
4. Add 5 drops of blue food coloring to the 5th cup.
5. Make sure you add the same amount of food coloring to each cup.

Doing the Experiment:

1. Take a half sheet of paper towel and fold it in half lengthwise and in half again lengthwise.
2. Trim off some of the length so that there isn’t too much excess paper towel that will stick up in the air between each cup. This will make the water walk more quickly.
3. Place one half of a rolled paper towel in the 1st cup and place the other half in the cup next to it. Then another paper towel from 2nd cup and into the 3rd cup. This continues until you have placed the last paper towel that drapes over from the 6th cup to the 7th cup.
4. Stare at the cups and watch what starts happening. You should quickly be able to see the colored water begin to crawl up the paper towel.

Watch the full experiment video: https://funlearningforkids.com/rainbow-walking-water-science-experiment-kids/?jwsourc=cl

Photos courtesy of Fun Learning for Kids Blog
In loco parentis: Latin for "in the place of a parent," refers to the legal responsibility of a person or organization to take on some of the functions and responsibilities of a parent.

Use in a sentence: "Determining what content is appropriate for minors is the job of the parent, as libraries cannot act in loco parentis while adhering to the ALA Bill of Rights."

ALA Bill of Rights

V. A person’s right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.

As we celebrate Pride in our communities, we remember that LGBTQIA+ content continues to be the #1 reason books are banned or challenged in libraries. Reading extends our viewpoints beyond our experiences, and it has never been more important to provide access to stories that connect us.
PET PRIDE

Jasper the Wonderdog shows his rainbow pride. A good boy such as this is a unicorn indeed!

This issue is dedicated to legendary author and illustrator Eric Carle, who passed away May 23, 2021.

Does your library have news to share in the next WISL Newsletter? Send your library updates, events, and pictures to Aubrey Huff at huffa@uwstout.edu.