



BCLS UPDATE

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SUMMER LEARNING FUN!

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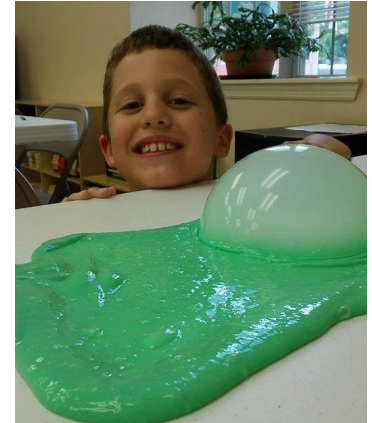
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Koinobori in Williamsburg



Slime in Tyrone



Legos in Martinsburg

8 libraries



1 fun summer!



Suzanne Black from the Blair County Conservation District in Claysburg

BCLS LIBRARIES

ALTOONA AREA PL
TEL: 946-0417

BELLWOOD-ANTIS PL
TEL: 742-8234

CLAYSBURG AREA PL
TEL: 239-2782

HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA PL
TEL: 695-5961

MARTINSBURG CL
TEL: 793-3335

ROARING SPRING CL
TEL: 224-2994

TYRONE-SNYDER TWP. PL
TEL: 684-1133

WILLIAMSBURG PL
832-3367



Bird boxes in Altoona

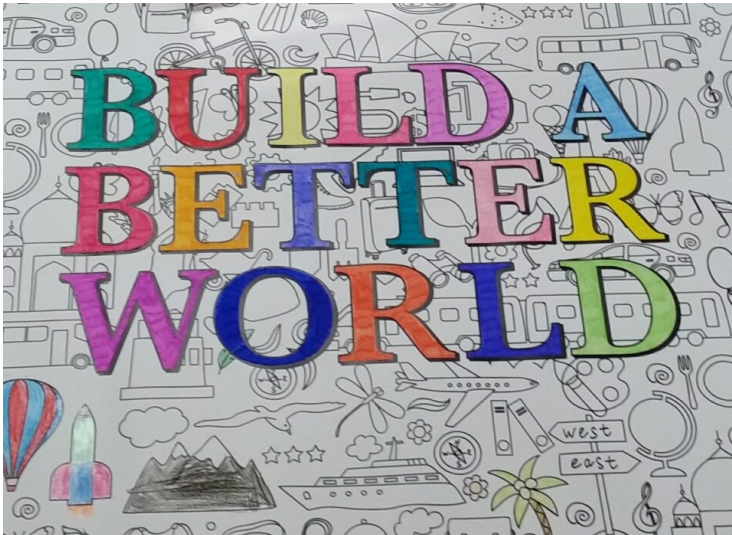


The Cat in the Hat and WPSU's Carolyn Donaldson

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) is a consortium of states working together to provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults at the lowest cost possible for their public libraries. CSLP began in 1987 when ten Minnesota regional library systems developed a summer library program for children, choosing a theme, creating artwork and selecting incentives that public libraries in the regions could purchase and use.

Every year libraries around the country use CSLP's theme—this year it was **Build a Better World!**



Martinsburg participants colored this banner.

FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMMING

Citizens Bank partnership:

Citizens Helping Citizens Manage Money

Citizens Helping Citizens Manage Money is a program dedicated to giving our fellow citizens the resources, tools and tips to make informed financial decisions and to help gain financial confidence.

In April 2017, Citizen's Bank announced a \$1.4 million commitment to organizations throughout our footprint to support programming to help individuals, families, and small businesses improve their financial acumen. Our contributions, coupled with our 400 colleagues who are trained to teach financial literacy, will reach more than 260,000 people across our footprint and provide them with the resources and tools to help them manage their money.

Libraries throughout Blair County are participating in this initiative, here are some of our current offerings:

Claysburg, September 26th: Identity theft and credit scores
Roaring Spring, September 19th: Retirement & Estate Planning
Martinsburg, August 29th: College Planning and Student Debt



Libraries and Financial Literacy: Libraries can help citizens become informed consumers and guide individuals, small businesses, and other organizations to contribute to the economic vitality of their community through innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic development.

Dash for the Stash: Money Smart Week

This spring, several libraries hosted a “Dash for the Stash” program. Sponsored by Money Smart Week & the Investor Protection Institute, this event allows participants to learn about retirement planning with fun trivia games and prizes!

To play, participants visit a participating location, read the content on each poster, scan the unique QR code to access that topic's quiz question, and submit their answer via smartphone, tablet, laptop computer, or public computer available at the participating location.



*An investing educator at Claysburg Area
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