Alabama School Library Week Activities List (Suggestions)

These examples are just a few of the ideas generated by your AIMA representatives. Ideas for helping to celebrate and advocate for your school library program during ASLW is only limited by your imagination! Below are suggestions (some with links) for more information and resources that can be adapted to most school library programs K-12.

GAMES & CONTESTS IDEAS
Library Scavenger Hunts, Website Scavenger Hunts,
Library Games (board games and online games)
"Survivor" Library Game
Contests—Trivia, Favorite Books, Library Quotes, Poetry, Photo, Literacy Characters, etc.

EVENTS & ACTIVITY IDEAS
Library Mystery Events
iPod Learning in Your School Library
Poetry Rap
Author Visits or Guest Readers
Movie Events
Costume Dress-Up Days, Face Painting,

RESOURCES
Book Resource: *A year of programs for teens* / Amy J. Alessio, Kimberly A. Patton; Chicago : American Library Association, 2007.
Resources for purchase: Library games— http://www.librarygames.com/
Resource: Download activity guide *"The name of the game is library fun"* from the KY Library Media Association (Word document)
http://www.kysma.org/Handouts/The%20Name%20of%20the%20Game%20is%20Fun2.doc.
Teen Programming Ideas (Public Library)
http://www.onebooknewjersey.org/young-adult/resources.html?cat=ideas

Activity Suggestions
Scavenger Hunts (Some library specific—others are academic oriented)
    How to plan: http://www.ehow.com/how_2190817_plan-library-scavenger-hunt.html
    http://www.education-world.com/a_lesson/02/lp261-05.shtml
    http://mowyn.com/scavenger/ (online)
    http://mowyn.com/scavenger/printable.htm (printable)
    TechTreckers Links to more! http://www.techtrekers.com/scav.htm (some links are broken, mostly for K-6)
    http://www.scribd.com/doc/25645/Library-Scavenger-Hunt
    http://www.ebscohost.com/uploads/thisTopic-dbTopic-278.pdf
    Library of Congress http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/hunt.cgi/es
    http://www.sdst.org/shs/library/libscav.html
    http://www.chiff.com/entertain/scavenger-hunt.htm
    http://www.scavengerhuntideasblog.com/
    http://www.creativekidsathome.com/games/scavenger_hunt.shtml

Cyberhunts from Scholastic
http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/search/?query=cyberhunt
Information Literacy Game (downloadable) http://library.uncg.edu/game/
Library Skills Game http://www.ccsd.edu/bardonia/learninggames/libraryskills/
Game Links from Multnomah Library http://www.multcolib.org/kids/games.html
Library Survivor
    How to play: http://www.ehow.com/how_4509855_play-library-survivor.html
    http://www.cplrmh.com/survivor.html
Contests (Many of these ideas can be adapted or modified)
    National Library Week (can be adapted)
http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/mall/nlw.pdf
    Resource guide   http://pdfs.voya.com/VO/YA2/VOYA200608NutsBolts.pdf
    YouTube Library Commercial http://www.wclibrary.info/teens/contests.asp
    Poetry Contest (with the word library or about the library)
    Photo Contest (with celebrating school libraries as the theme)
    Contest Ideas from public library http://www.aadl.org/events/contests
    Favorite Fiction Book Contest (voting either paper ballot or an online survey)
    Favorite Fiction Book Character
    Trivia Contests (many are available online from Harry Potter to Twilight, and in-between)
    Library Trivia Quiz http://www.quibblo.com/quiz/FrjOm2/Library-Trivia-1
    Trivia Links from IPL http://www.ipl.org/div/subject/browse/ref90.00.00/
    Humorous ideas for questions http://blogs.uww.edu/library/archives/374

Library Mystery Event (a number of these can also be purchased as kits)
    http://apps.carleton.edu/campus/library/about/infolit/mystery/
    http://www.merrimysteries.com/tmm/kits/library.htm
    http://www.librarymysteries.com/

iPod Learning in the Library Event—*Bring your iPod to the library and the librarian will show you how to download audiobooks or educational podcasts/vcasts from iTunes including the University of South Florida's Lit2Go Project and iTunes U.*
    http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/
    (Download iTunes, open iTunes and go to the Store and click on iTunes U)
    Poetry Rap Event—Invite students to submit a poem that involves the school library. These can then be read aloud, or hold a contest, or have the poems illustrated either digitally or through a drawing.
    Ideas for poetry rap:
    http://www.readinga-z.com/poetry/lesson_plans/rap/rap_print.html
    http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/englishC7.htm
    http://www.poetryoutloud.org/
    http://www.arts.wa.gov/education/poetry-out-loud.shtml

Author Visits
    Planning: http://teacher.scholastic.com/authorsandbooks/visitkit/
    http://www.education-world.com/a_curr/curr374.shtml
    http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com/article/CA287118.html

http://www.kidsbooklink.org/success.html
http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/profawards/hayesaward/tipsforvisitplanning.cfm
Authors/Illustrators: http://www.authorsillustrators.com/
Author list by state: http://authorbystate.blogspot.com/
http://childrensbooks.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?zi=1/XJ/Ya&sdn=childrensbooks&zu=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.author-illustr-source.com%2F

Movie Event
Legal issues: Public Performance Rights http://www.movlic.com/
"Now Showing" Movie Event—Could use a variety of film or film clips—Even make your own library commercial or film study.
View this public domain version of "The Librarian" from the 1940's and have viewers debate its relevance to our libraries of today. (There are also comments on the link that may help).
Free movies: http://www.archive.org/details/movies

Costumes/Literary Character Dress-up Day
Any kind of "impersonation" of people (fiction or nonfiction) or imaginary-type characters (like Franklin, the turtle).
100 Most Popular: http://www.costumzee.com/popular-costume-ideas/
Ideas: http://answers.yahoo.com/question/index?qid=20070406072733AANU9dy
Face painting: http://www.facepaintingdesigns.co.uk/
http://www.face-painting-fun.com/
http://www.squidoo.com/simplefacepaintingdesigns