

Lawrence Public Library \$10 covers breakfast and lunch from Wheatfields
As part of the training, we will discuss *In the Time of the Butterflies*, so please read it before the event.
<http://www.totalboox.com/book/In-the-Time-of-the-Butterflies-4983457041565138347>

A DOUBLE FEATURE WITH BECKY SPRATFORD



February 10 2017

8:30 to 9 am – Registration and Breakfast

9 to 10:30am - RA Rethink: From Quaint and Comfortable to Cutting Edge:

You can live without a 3D printer, but without readers' advisory, you're not doing your job. Readers' advisory belongs in every library, no matter your budget or size. A robust and modern program that embraces whole collection discovery is one that inspires staff, engages patrons, and builds stronger library communities. Reconnect with this core service and empower staff at all levels to connect users with your collection. RA expert Becky Spratford will offer "rethinks" that will harken back to the basics of this core service and incorporate 21st Century possibilities.

10:30-10:45 - Break

11:00 - 12:00: Recharge Your Book Club for Librarians:

Becky has been leading book clubs for 14 years and has seen it all. She will share her tips and tricks for success. All book groups go through their ups and downs, but re-energizing your group is not as hard as it may seem. Learn how to confidently identify and utilize the best resources for leading a book discussion, pick books that will engender the best conversations, lead a more interactive discussion even with the most jaded of groups. Let her show you how to take control, shake things up, and rediscover why you started the group in the first place.

12:00 - 12:30: Lunch and Becky's Booktalks

12:30-1:00pm: Networking: Share your favorite book club read - a chance to use the book talk skills we just learned in a supportive environment!

1:00-1:15: Break

1:15-2:15 - Book Discussion for Book Discussion Leaders:

Leading a book discussion group is one of the most personally and professionally rewarding things we do at work; however, it is an extremely challenging job too. Join Becky, and a room full of your book discussion colleagues, as we discuss *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez. This program will give you the chance to sit back and enjoy being a discussion participant while also offering a forum for sharing questions and practical solutions to the problems and concerns of book group leaders.

2:15-3:00 - Networking, Troubleshooting and Success Sharing