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## News Release

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### **Ider Public Library Joins In The Big Read**

*Ider, AL* – On March 9, 2010 at 5:30PM, the Ider Public Library will host their Kick-Off Event for *The Big Read: Alabama Reads*. Mayor Hannah will read the first page of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain. There will be a drawing to give away copies of the book and other promotional items.

On March 27, 2010 at 1:00PM, there will be a program oriented toward younger children that will include crafts and a skit put on by two of our local high school students.

*The Big Read: Alabama Reads is a statewide program addressing literacy in Alabama and encouraging the use of public libraries in local communities. This year, Alabama Reads is partnering with The Big Read through the National Endowment for the Arts, reading Mark Twain's The Adventures of Tom Sawyer.*

*The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and bring the transformative power of literature into the lives of its citizens. The Big Read brings together partners across the country to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment.*

Contact your local library for more information and visit [www.AlabamaReads.org](http://www.AlabamaReads.org)