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Changes from, by, and for MLA Members



I recently attended a conference where I was told that the only one who likes change is a wet baby. However, in the Missouri Library Association, we have come to embrace change as a means of revitalizing and reinvigorating the organization.

Last fall the MLA Board took the fiscally responsible step of removing all staff support for the organization. While this has created a great deal of work for the many MLA volunteers, there have been related positive benefits in terms of an actively participatory membership and renewed interest in the organization and the services it provides.

Earlier this year, MLA took a correlated step in closing the MLA office. Operating without a permanent address has also created difficulty for the volunteers as we try to maintain both internal and external communication links. Fortunately, since we are relying more on electronic communication, this is less of a problem than it might otherwise have been.

As fiscal necessity has driven us to revitalize and renew MLA, we have also been involved in a strategic rethinking and reinvention of the organization. In 2008 the MLA Board surveyed the entire membership, solicited member opinions at the annual convention, and generally sought to articulate necessary changes for MLA. In 2009, the MLA Board established the MLA Task Force on Structure, Organization, and Governance to consider options and recommend a more permanent solution.

The impetus for changes in MLA clearly came from the membership, and the Task Force appointed by the Board consists of enthusiastic MLA volunteers who are clearly trying to design structures which will benefit MLA's members.

The Task Force has carefully prepared and proposed a new set of bylaws to make MLA more representative of and beneficial for its members. The Task Force is recommending that the new bylaws be adopted at this annual meeting, with full implementation in January of 2012. There will be time for the membership to discuss and recommend changes during the times set aside for this purpose at this year's annual convention. There is also ample time over the next few months for members to consider thoughtfully how this organization should be shaped to best serve its members.

At this point, we, the membership, are clearly obligated to carefully consider these recommendations and respond, so that the resulting changes are implemented in a way which ensures a strong future for MLA of which we can all be proud. Please do go to the Task Force website (<http://mlataskforce.wordpress.com/>), read the proposed bylaws and provide your input and opinions.

As we move forward in this time of change for MLA, remember that the five characteristics of your changing organization remain constant: (1) MLA supports legislation as a lobbyist. (2) MLA is your link to ALA and other state associations. (3) MLA provides networking opportunities and conferences. (4) MLA is efficiently and responsively developing an online presence. (5) MLA is flexible, adaptable and responsive.

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ALA Councilor Report

ALA Sets Up 'Text' Donations to Help Rebuild Libraries in Haiti

It now only takes two minutes to donate \$10 to help rebuild libraries in Haiti. ALA has set up an option to easily donate through your mobile phone. To donate to the ALA Haiti Library Relief Fund, simply text "alahaiti" to 20222, and a \$10 one-time tax-deductible donation will be added to your mobile phone bill or deducted from your prepaid balance.

All charges are billed by and payable to your mobile service provider. Service is available on most carriers. Donations are collected for the benefit of the ALA by the Mobile Giving Foundation and are subject to the terms found at <http://mobilegiving.org> (click on "For Donors"). You can unsubscribe at any time by replying STOP to short code "20222"; reply HELP to "20222" for help.

Only six months have passed since the devastating January earthquake killed over 200,000 in Port Au Prince, Haiti leaving 1.5 million homeless, and destroying countless cultural institutions. Ten public and community libraries were destroyed, and many others were damaged. Major academic and research libraries/archives housing the Patrimony of Haiti also collapsed, or suffered major structural damage.

ALA is raising funds to rebuild three libraries in Haiti destroyed during the earthquake in January 2011. They are the Petit Goave Public Library, the Centre Culturel Pyepoudre Community Library, and the Bibliothèque Haïtienne des Pères du Saint-Esprit, which was founded in 1873 and holds resources documenting the history of Haiti, French colonization, slavery, and emancipation.

Thanks to a generous donation from Sirsi/Dynix and hundreds of library supporters, \$18,000 was raised as of early June, but much more is needed. For more information on ALA's Haiti Library Relief effort, including how libraries can also 'adopt' a library in Haiti, go to: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/iro/iroactivities/haitirelieffund.cfm>

ALA Responds to Texas Curriculum Standards Revision

ALA President Camila Alire has written to the Texas State Board of Education to express ALA's deep concern about the recent changes to social studies and history curriculum standards in Texas public schools. Her comments are based on a document prepared by the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee, and question the recent actions of the State Board members who made significant changes to standards that had been prepared by professional educators. These are changes "that appear to emphasize particular viewpoints while de-emphasizing or deleting competing viewpoints, at the expense of balance and accuracy," and that do not "reflect the diversity of people and ideas in our society."

The June 8, 2010 entry on the "Curriculum Matters Blog" at *Education Week* online has some interesting speculation on how the current and next few elections cycles in Texas may impact the political makeup of the State Board of Education; its URL is: http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/curriculum/2010/06/change_is_afoot_for_controvers.html

Some Good News from California on Library Funding

Sara Flowers, Councilor at Large and YALSA President-Elect has posted some welcome news on the California library funding crisis created by the recession. In elections on June 8 in Marin County, voters

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passed three measures to support libraries. All three measures were for \$49 annual parcel taxes, and each required a 2/3 majority to pass. Marin County Library's measure won with 74% of the vote. San Anselmo Public Library's measure won with 74% of the vote. San Rafael Public Library's measure won with 69% of the vote.

In Santa Clara County, the North County Library Authority (Los Altos & Los Altos Hills) passed (77%) a measure to continue taxing themselves an additional \$76 per parcel annually to provide augmented hours and services for their libraries. In all instances library supporters waged intensive information and get-out-the-vote campaigns.

Former Librarian Loses Religious Discrimination Suit

A federal judge has rejected a lawsuit by a former Ohio State University librarian who accused the University of being hostile to his Christian beliefs. U.S. District Judge William Bertelsman ruled June 7 that Scott Savage did not prove that Ohio State had made his working conditions intolerable. Savage said he was forced to quit in June 2007 after continued personal and professional attacks on his character two years after he recommended that all in-coming freshmen read an anti-gay book.

To read more go to the article in the Columbus (OH) Dispatch online at:

http://www.dispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2010/06/08/osu-librarian-loses-lawsuit.html

YALSA Sponsors Summer Webinars

Find out the latest and greatest in YA nonfiction—and how to get it into teens' hands—during YALSA's "Back to the Facts: YA Nonfiction" webinar, hosted by Angela Carstensen. The webinar will take place August 19 at 1 p.m. Central time.

"Risky Business: Taking Risks to Improve Teen Services" will help participants smartly and effectively take risks to improve services and programs for teens in their communities. The webinar will take place July 15 at 1 p.m. Central time. There are member and nonmember and group registration rates. For information and registration go to:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/onlinecourses/webinar.cfm>

ALA Annual Conference Council Report

Because of *MO INFO* publication deadlines, I will post my ALA Council report from the Annual Conference in Washington DC to the MLA Membership e-list.

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Conference Poster Session and Table Talk Applications

Poster Session and Table Talk applications are now being accepted for the Missouri Library Association Annual Conference, Oct. 6th-8th, at The Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake Ozark, MO. You will find the applications at the MLA website by clicking on the "Conference" tab, or you can get there directly by using this URL: <http://molib.org/Conference.html>.

Applications are due July 30th, 2010. If you have any questions about poster sessions, please email Carolyn Dietz at cdietz@slpl.org. For questions about table talks, please email Brandy Sanchez at bsanchez@dbrl.org.

Thanks!

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Mountain Plains Library Association 2010 Unsung Hero Award

Susan Burton, Executive Director of the Kansas City Metropolitan Library & Information Network (KCMLIN) and Valerie Horton, Executive Director for the Colorado Library Consortium (CLiC) were awarded the Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA) 2010 Unsung Hero Award. The award was given for their development of COKAMO, a low-cost physical delivery system between Colorado, Missouri, and some libraries in Kansas and Wyoming. Horton and Burton received their award at the joint conference of the Oklahoma Library Association and Mountain Plains Library Association, April 19, 2010, in Oklahoma City, OK.

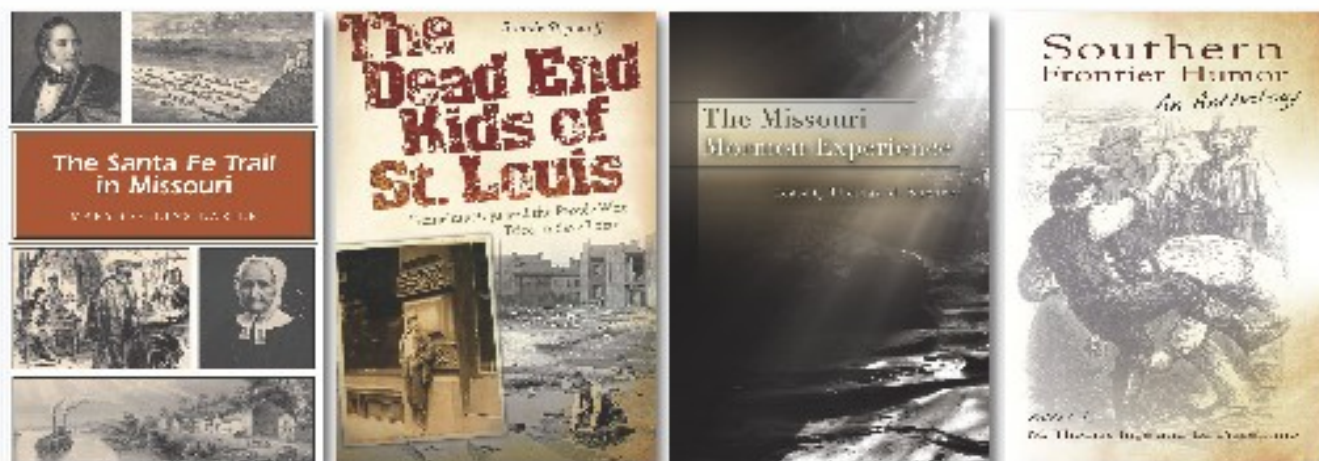
"The MPLA **Unsung Hero Award** is given to any library individual(s) or group(s) in the MPLA region who have worked on a special project that has some significance to a community but which has not been eligible for a library award, or which has for other reasons specified by the nominator not been recognized to the degree that it merits, by any library organization." (<http://www.mpla.us/committees/awards/awardsinfo.html>)

2010 Rethinking Resource Sharing Innovation Award

COKAMO, a library courier delivery service serving Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Missouri libraries, was selected to win a 2010 Rethinking Resource Sharing Innovation Award. The Awards review committee was impressed with the project's scope, collaborative nature, and creative thinking.

"The Rethinking Resource Sharing (RRS) Innovation Awards recognizes and honors an individual or institution for changes they made to improve users' access to information through resource sharing in their library, consortium, state or country. It is hoped that the award will encourage libraries and librarians to make changes in how they do resource sharing to improve service to users. RRS looks for efforts where people didn't wait for the profession to provide better services for users.

KCMLIN's and CLIC will share the \$1,000 cash award for the COKAMO project. Susan Burton, KCMLIN Executive Director and Valerie Horton, CLIC Executive Director plan to utilize the funds to continue to improve the COKAMO project. The award will be given out at the 2010 ALA Conference.



New from University of Missouri Press

The Santa Fe Trail in Missouri

Mary Collins Barile

This book offers an easy-to-read introduction to Missouri's chunk of Santa Fe Trail, providing an account of the trail's historical and cultural significance. Barile tells how the route evolved, stitched together from Indian paths, trappers' traces, and wagon roads, and how the experience of traveling the Santa Fe Trail varied even within Missouri. Readers will also encounter some of the major people associated with the trail, such as William Becknell, Mike Fink, and Hannah Cole, with quotes that bring them and their era to life.

ISBN: 978-0-8262-1880-3

160 pages, 35 illustrations, \$16.95 paper

Missouri Heritage Readers Series

The Dead End Kids of St. Louis

Homeless Boys and the People Who Tried to Save Them

Bonnie Stepenoff

"An admirable work. . . The organization, writing, passion for the subject, and research make this a valuable treatment of St. Louis social history unavailable anywhere else." —Lawrence O. Christensen, author of *A History of Missouri: Volume IV, 1875 to 1919*

"Artfully written and well researched. Their poignant stories offer a unique perspective on urban life and the American underclass." —William E. Foley, author of *Wilderness Journey: The Life of William Clark*

This book tells the story of "lost" boys who struggled to survive on the streets as St. Louis evolved from a booming late-nineteenth-century industrial center to a troubled mid-twentieth-century metropolis. Small, loosely organized bands from the tenement districts wandered the city looking for trouble and often found it. Geography also provided for unique accommodations—sometimes boys found shelter in the interconnected caves underneath the city. Stepenoff traces the history of several efforts aimed at assisting the homeless boys and details how historical events such as industrialization, economic depression, and wars affected this vulnerable urban population.

ISBN: 978-0-8262-1888-9

184 pages, 18 illustrations, \$29.95 cloth

The Missouri Mormon Experience

Edited by Thomas M. Spencer

Shortly after Joseph Smith proclaimed Jackson County the site of the "New Jerusalem," Mormon settlers began moving to western Missouri, but Mormons and Missourians did not mix well—the three-month "Mormon War" in 1838 was capped by the Haun's Mill Massacre. The Missouri persecutions greatly shaped Mormon faith and culture; this book of essays reexamines Mormon-Missourian history within the sociocultural context of its time. The contributors unearth the challenges and assumptions on both sides of the conflict, as well as the cultural baggage that dictated how their actions and responses played on each other.

ISBN: 978-0-8262-1887-2

200 pages, 10 illustrations, \$34.95 cloth

Southern Frontier Humor

An Anthology

Edited by M. Thomas Inge and Ed Piacentino

"Throughout the volume, [the editors'] shrewd judgment and critical acumen are apparent, and the reader of this volume comes away with a balanced sense of both the range and the accomplishment of frontier humorists." —Scott Romine, author of *The Real South: Southern Narrative in the Age of Cultural Reproduction*

"Scholars of American humor cannot fail to be intrigued and informed by this collection, which offers a new configuration of best writers from a fascinating era of our literary history. Teachers whose American literature or American studies courses include the antebellum period should consider this excellent anthology as a textbook." —James E. Cason, author of *Mark Twain: Unsanctified Newspaper Reporter*

This first new collection of humor from the Old South published in fifteen years—and the first fresh selection of sketches and tales to appear in over forty years—adds Twain, the only major American author to contribute to and emerge from the movement, to all of the major writers represented, from Augustus Baldwin Longstreet to Thomas Bangs Thorpe. The anthology also includes several writers only recently discovered to be a part of the tradition and features authors previously overlooked. Selections are timely, reflecting recent trends in literary history and criticism sensitive to issues of gender, race, and ethnicity.

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LSTA Grant for the *Show Me the World Get Connected Courier Delivery Service*

The State of Missouri has renewed the LSTA Grant for the *Show Me the World Get Connected Courier Delivery Service* to connect public libraries in the State of Missouri. The *Show Me the World Get Connected Courier Delivery Service* project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

The *Show Me The World Get Connected Courier Delivery Service* Project Grant provides eligible public libraries with free courier delivery service two days per week to over 550 libraries in Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado. The Missouri State Library will continue to fund two day per week service as the appropriation allows. Currently, 113 Missouri Public Libraries participate in this program. For 2011, the State has authorized adding 20 more Missouri Public Libraries to the service.

The first year of the grant was extremely successful, and we plan for the project and resource sharing to continue to grow during the second year of the project.

All three awards submitted by

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Mid-Continent Public Library Midwest Genealogy Center earns Design Award



On May 6th, 2010, the Springfield Missouri Chapter of the American Institute of Architects presented a Public Recognition Award to Mid-Continent Public Library and Sapp Design Associates for the design of the Midwest Genealogy Center located in Independence, Missouri. The panel of judges selected this project to receive a Special Honor Award which is the highest recognition awarded by the Public Jury. Ralph Rognstad, Jr., the Jury Chair, commented during the presentation that attention to detail in conjunction with the warm and creative use of materials formed an inviting and comfortable environment for the public to enjoy. In addition to these comments, he added that the commanding entry and clear methods orienting patrons through the spaces were some of the principal elements that separated this project from the other entries.

The 52,000 square foot research center opened in July 2008 and houses the largest public genealogy and family history collection in the United States.

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MLNC Has Moved!

Missouri Library Network Corporation (MLNC) is pleased to announce its move to new quarters on July 1, 2010! We are now doing business from 13610 Barrett Office Drive, Suite 206, Ballwin, MO 63021. Just west of I-270 off of Manchester Road, this new space allows MLNC to continue to offer vital services and support to libraries – including training, electronic resources, contract services and OCLC billing – while also fulfilling our goal to operate in a leaner form. The toll-free number 800-969-6562 remains the same but the local number is now 314-394-1320 and our fax number is 314-394-1326. MLNC is looking forward to connecting MLNC and MLA members to upcoming events in our new offices!

Tracy Rochow Byerly, Executive Director
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ALA Councilor Candidate Statement, Wendy McGrane

I am currently the Library Director at Missouri Southern State University. Since joining MLA in 1993, I have been actively involved with a number of MLA Special Interest Groups such as PEER and New Members and am currently serving on the MACRL Ad-Hoc Steering Committee. I am also an active member of MOBIUS and have served on the Executive Committee, advisory committees, and various task forces.

Serving as your ALA Councilor will allow me to contribute to Missouri libraries in a new capacity and learn more about ALA and MLA in the process. My experiences as both a public and an academic librarian support my understanding of the range of issues that impact different types of librarianship. The Missouri Library Association plays an important role in supporting the success of Missouri libraries and librarians, and I am excited to facilitate the partnership that exists between our state and national organizations. I am a strong MLA supporter and will work to ensure that the needs of the membership are addressed as the organization looks to the future.

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Three Requests on Behalf of PEERsig

1. PEERsig is currently in need of two volunteers to fill the leadership positions of Vice-Chair and Recorder. The Vice-Chair will move to Chair in January 2011 and the Recorder will move to Vice-Chair at the same time. Among other charges, PEERsig is responsible for acquiring items for the Bohley Silent Auction, held annually at the MLA Conference as well as recruiting applicants and selecting the recipient of the annual Bohley Scholarship Award. PEERsig's purpose is to pursue issues and serve as an advocate for professionalism, education, employment and recruitment in the library field. <http://molib.org/peersig/bylaws.pdf>
2. PEERsig is in need of items for the Bohley Silent Auction to be held at the upcoming MLA Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. The Bohley Silent Auction raises money to fund the Ronald G. Bohley Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded annually to an individual enrolled in or recently accepted into an ALA-accredited program in pursuit of a Master's degree in Library/Information Science. Gift items, gift baskets, gift certificates, etc. are all welcome and much appreciated! Commitments for contributions are requested by September 1st. If you will not be attending the Conference, you may mail items to me by September 20th (contact me directly for mailing address). Otherwise, please bring your auction items to the booth (number to be determined) by noon on Wednesday, October 6th.
3. We are looking for volunteers to "work" the Bohley Silent Auction table at the MLA Conference. The auction is open during exhibit hours (Wednesday, October 6, 4pm-6pm, Thursday, October 7, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.). This is a great time to network with your colleagues, meet Missouri librarians and check out the auction items yourself! Please contact me directly if you would like to volunteer: candicegoliver@gmail.com

Please contact me with any questions you may have!

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2010 Annual Missouri Depository Librarian's Conference

The annual Missouri Depository Librarian's Conference was held at Ellis Library, University of Missouri in Columbia (UM-C) on May 26-27, 2010. The bulk of the conference was a presentation on "Collection Development Strategies for Selective Depository Libraries," which was presented by Ann Marie Sanders, Regional Government Documents Librarian for the State of Michigan. Because so many documents are now online and space is at a premium, many depository libraries are being asked to weed their collections heavily and very quickly. Ms. Sanders demonstrated tools that can be used to help make these weeding decisions. At the end of the presentation, the depository librarians were given time to look at these resources and work with other librarians from their area in order to work collaboratively on their selections. Marie Concannon, Missouri's Regional Librarian, was available to answer questions regarding depository rules set for Missouri.

After this program was completed, two breakout sessions were offered. The first was titled "Q & A on Marcive's Services" and it was presented by Jim Noel, Manager of GPO Services, Marcive. Mr. Noel talked about services offered by Marcive that would help us deal with the transition to a more electronic depository system. The second program offered was "Marcive and Triple I: Revised" and it was presented by Tammy Stewart, Reference and Government Information Librarian at Missouri State University- Springfield. This presentation was a step-by-step guide to editing Marcive records in the MOBIUS/

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On the following day we focused on USGS and mapping data. The first program, "FDLP From the Customer's Perspective and USGS Maps" was presented by Julie Towns-Campbell, USGS Science Center Librarian and John Fouke, Chief in the USGS Science Information and Library Services office in Rolla, Missouri. Ms. Towns-Campbell shared with us the types of materials they collect for their facility and the services provided. Mr. Fouke talked about the work of the USGS facility in Rolla with emphasis on the "Map Locator" on the U.S.G.S Website.

The final program was called "Introduction to Spatial Datasets and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)," and it was presented by Matthew Gerike, Research Specialist at UM-C's Geographic Resources Center and Dr. Shannon White, Geospatial Extension Specialist at UM-C and faculty member at UM-C in the Geography Department and the MU Extension programs. This program included the demonstration of several sites that provide geospatial data including the National Atlas, GEODATA.gov, and Google Earth. The conference adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

On behalf of those attending, we would like to extend our appreciation for this excellent conference, put together by Marie Concannon, Regional Depository Librarian at UM-C and Sandy Scheifer, Government Documents Librarian and to those who made time to give us these wonderful presentations. THANK YOU!

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Task Force Draft Posted

The Task Force to Examine MLA's Structure, Governance and Organization met in May to discuss the final details of the bylaws revision. That draft is now available on the Task Force blog: mlataskforce.wordpress.com. Members of the Task Force welcome any questions regarding the revised bylaws.

The proposed bylaws will be presented to the MLA Board at its meeting on July 23, and a request will be made that they be presented to the membership for approval at the Annual Meeting on October 7th.

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MACRL's Inaugural Webinar

In May, MACRL hosted its inaugural webinar "What the Text is Happening?" Seventy-three individuals registered for this free event, and it reached libraries in Missouri, Nebraska, and Kansas. To see the presentation slides or a full recording of the webinar, please visit: <http://macrl.pbworks.com/Texting-Webinar-May-2010>

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Planning Calendar 2010

DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	LOCATION
July 23	Board Meeting	MLA	Videoconference
July 30	Conference Poster/TableTalk Session Submissions Due	MLA	Online submission
August 15	Articles for September <i>MO INFO</i> Due	MLA	Online submission
August 18	Introduction to WorldCat Resource Sharing	MLNC	MLNC
September 2	Introduction to WorldCat Resource Sharing	MLNC	Mid-Continent Public Library
September 14	Introduction to Digital Preservation	MLNC	MLNC
October 6-8	Annual Conference	MLA	Lake of the Ozarks
November 6	MASL Fall Seminar	MASL	St. Peters
<p>Missouri State Library Continuing Education Calendar: http://mo.webjunction.org/catalog/</p>			

