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It Has Been an Honor: A Word from President Gerald Brooks



It seems this year has flown by and my term as your president will soon come to an end. I would like to take this opportunity to say a few things about my presidency.

I cannot begin to express what a privilege it has been to serve as your president. At conference, I thanked my dream team, which includes many of you. I use the term “dream team” because never in my wildest dreams did I think that I would one day be elected to lead the charge for all libraries across this state. It is one of the highest privileges that I have ever received, and I am grateful and humble. I have learned a great deal, and I am extremely pleased with what we have accomplished.

Each year we are faced with a new challenge. This year it was the governor’s budget cuts. Our valiant efforts this year in this regard – advocacy and awareness – continue to expand, as they must in today’s political and economic climate. Our job, however, is not finished, and it won’t be until the monies that are so desperately needed by libraries are released. If you are interested in learning more about how you can contribute, I urge you to contact a member of the board or Legislative Committee.

Your association accomplished a number of important goals this year, including:

- Increasing both individual and organizational membership
- Finalizing all paperwork for the 2015 joint annual conference with the Kansas Library Association
- Collaborating with the new secretary of state to work toward common goals for the betterment of all libraries
- Continuing to build and expand the MLA’s handbook, our association’s terrific guiding document
- Being more inclusive of the board’s members-at-large by giving them more responsibility

I extend my congratulations to all the newly elected members of the executive board. I am very excited about the selections made by the membership. There are some incredibly talented and dynamic board members coming in to take the helm. And without a doubt we will be in very good hands with our 2015 president Christina Prucha.

Thank you to my fellow board members for your engaged and far-sighted leadership. I lost count of how many e-mails we have exchanged this year. It has been a lot, and I am extremely proud of the way everyone came together to address MLA issues and goals as a true collective. It has been a collaborative process – and an enjoyable one at that. I am most grateful to Christina for her support and encouragement all year, and I look forward to being part of MLA under her leadership.

I want to thank Carol Smith, who always took my calls when I needed her advice. I hope I can be as helpful to Christina as Carol has been to me.

Others I would like to thank include our talented association management service and their representatives, Tracy Byerly, Keith Gaertner and Linda Elkow. Also, our amazing 2014 conference coordinators Lauren Williams and Angela Scott and their army of assistants who made the event such a great success.

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Notice of MLA Bylaws Vote: November 21 – December 19, 2014

Voting on the 2015 MLA Bylaws Changes will take place electronically and by paper between November 15 and December 13, 2014. A voting link will be emailed to all eligible MLA members. Members who requested a paper ballot on their registration form will be mailed the ballot when the election opens. Voting will conclude on December 13th at 11:59 pm. All electronic and paper ballots must be received by then. Eligible members will vote on the following changes:

Correction 11/18/2014: Due to technical difficulties, the bylaw vote has been postponed until Friday, November 21st. It will be open from Nov. 21 - Dec. 19. If you requested a paper ballot, you will receive it in the mail this week. All others will receive a link to the ballot on the 21st and may vote anytime during that four week period.

2015 Proposed Bylaws

Side-by-side tabular comparison of the current (2014) bylaws language with the proposed 2015 revised language.

Current MLA Bylaws	Proposed Changes	Rationale for Changes
<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 1. Nominations: The Nominating Committee shall present its slate of nominees to the Board at least 90 days prior to the Annual Business Meeting. Names of nominees nominated by the Nominating Committee shall be communicated to the membership at least 75 days prior to the Annual Business Meeting.</p>	<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 1. Nominations: The Nominating Committee shall present its slate of nominees to the Board <i>for approval</i> at least 90 days prior to the <i>opening date for elections</i>. Names of nominees <i>submitted</i> by the Nominating Committee shall be communicated to the membership at least 60 days prior to the <i>opening date for elections</i>.</p>	<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 1. Nominations: Changing the language ties the nomination process to the election date and not the Annual Business Meeting date.</p>
<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 2. Additional Nominees: Additional candidates may be added to the slate of nominees by self-nomination or nomination by any current MLA member. A nomination by an MLA member must include a statement by the nominee agreeing to be a candidate. The names of additional candidates must be submitted to the Board at least 45 days prior to the Annual Business Meeting.</p>	<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 2. Additional Nominees: Additional candidates may be added to the slate of nominees by self-nomination or nomination by any current MLA member. A nomination by an MLA member must include a statement by the nominee agreeing to be a candidate. The names of additional candidates must be submitted to the Board <i>at least 30 days prior to the opening date for elections</i>.</p>	<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 2. Additional Nominees: Changing the language ties the additional nomination process to the election date and not the Annual Business Meeting date.</p>

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Most importantly, I want to thank every Missouri Library Association member. You are the reason for our existence. We as board and committee members are here to serve you and the libraries you represent and serve across the state. Thank you for being a member and thank you for the hard work you do year-round for your communities.

I am proud to be a part of this member-driven association and to have served you to the best of my ability. Thank you for giving me this opportunity of a lifetime. I look forward to continuing that service next year as a member of the Legislative Committee. **It Has Been an Honor.**

Sincerely,
Gerald S. Brooks



President, Missouri Library Association

2014 MLA Conference Wrap-up

Here's what we learned at the 2014 MLA Conference: You all play a mean ukulele. There ain't no dance party like a librarian dance party. Everything is better with more cowbell. And most importantly, Missouri libraries are thriving and innovative! From strategies for community engagement and ideas for creative programming, to developing e-book platforms and redesigning digital branches, your colleagues and coworkers are responding to rapid change in inspiring ways. We hope all who attended came away with ideas that can be explored and implemented at their organizations. We thank all of the presenters, volunteers, vendors, performers and attendees who made this year's conference such a success. And thank you to the MLA Board for trusting us with this task. We had an amazing time serving as conference coordinators.

MLA By the Numbers

Our final number of registered attendees for this year's conference was 372. Fifty-four vendors exhibited at the trade show. Fifty-six volunteers and a 23-member conference arrangements committee made sure the 88 sessions and events ran smoothly. We are so amazed by what a volunteer-run organization can accomplish!

Evaluations!

Help next year's conference coordinators make this annual event even better, and share your ideas for 2015's joint conference with KLA. Fill out an overall conference evaluation and then the breakout sessions evaluation, one time for each session you attended.

Overall conference evaluation: <http://goo.gl/KdhKyt>

Breakout sessions evaluation: <http://goo.gl/eYZ0yS>

A Final Thanks

We couldn't have done this without our "Team Awesome," this year's Conference Arrangements Committee. We want to sincerely thank these volunteers for their planning, organization and mad trouble-shooting skills. We learned so much from each of you during this process and were honored to work with each of you.

Your 2014 Conference co-coordinators,

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Updates On the Upcoming MLA and KLA Conference

Another great conference is in the books! Lauren and Angela, along with their army of volunteers, put together a wonderful conference experience for everyone involved. If you were in attendance, you were present at one of the best (if not *the* best) events throughout the year to meet other librarians, gather ideas, and see how our state association works! Next year, our annual conference moves to Kansas City, where we will join with the Kansas Library Association to produce a conference to be remembered!

Come join us September 30 through October 2, 2015 at the beautiful Kansas City Convention Center for *Libraries Without Borders!* This is the first joint conference between Kansas and Missouri since 1961, and we are working to ensure this will be a great experience for conference newcomers and veterans alike. It will be a rare opportunity to experience the national breadth of sessions and ideas, but on a local scale. If you are an LIS student, there is no better time to join MLA and/or KLA. Shoot, if you are or know someone working in a library, there's no better time to join. Reap the benefits of being part of a huge network of library professionals!

We will see you in Kansas City!

Submitted by Your 2015 Joint Conference Coordinators:

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Missouri Digital Newspaper Project Adds Over 350,000 Pages, Prepares for Statewide Bookmark Blitz

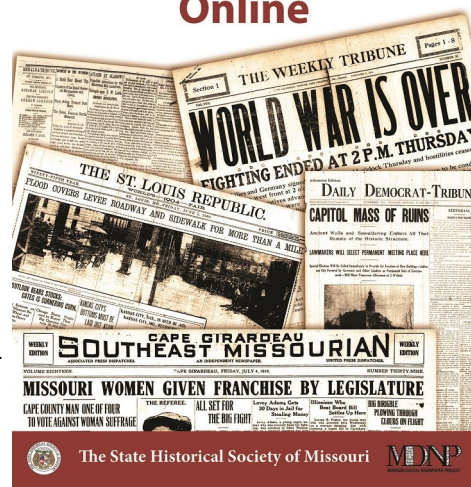
The State Historical Society of Missouri (SHSMO) is gearing up to get the word out. Libraries in St. Louis and each of the 71 counties that are home to these historic newspapers have received care packages containing posters and bookmarks to promote the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project and Chronicling America as resources for library patrons. The materials feature newspaper headlines from influential moments in American history. If you would like to request bookmarks and posters for your area, contact SHSMO at shsofmo@umsystem.edu or 573.882.7083 for details. Shipping charges may apply.

About the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project and Chronicling America

The Missouri Digital Newspaper Project was created to coordinate the digitization of historic Missouri newspapers. The goal is to provide a free, searchable database of newspapers from every county. Papers currently accessible on SHSMO's website (<http://shs.umsystem.edu/newspaper/mdnp>) have been digitized with support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library. Many of Missouri's digital newspapers are also available through the Library of Congress's Chronicling America site (<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>).

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Historic Newspapers Online



A poster for the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project

Storytime at Adult Daycare Centers

Libraries are always looking for ways to get out into their communities to serve patrons. We accidentally happened on a new service opportunity. While canvassing daycare centers to find those interested in having our children's programmer present storytime sessions at their locations, we called Rainbow Activity Center in Union. The name led us to believe that it is a daycare center for children. The director of Rainbow was excited about our call and very interested in having us visit to provide programs for her clients – who are developmentally disabled adults. For two years now, we have taken the same books we use for children's storytime to two adult daycare centers in Union and the clients love our visits. For more information about this program, people may contact Lauren Young at lyoung@scenicregional.org.

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Missouri Evergreen Update

Missouri Evergreen continues to work on its catalog improvement project, define best practices and workflows as well as conduct strategic and financial planning for the future of the consortium. The consortium will upgrade to Evergreen version 2.7 on October 28, which will add some new features and fix some bugs in the system. Implementation of the Acquisitions module of Evergreen for interested libraries is also underway, for a January 2015 start date. Schuyler County Library has begun cataloging in the Missouri Evergreen database, as part of their automation process, and will be set to go live once they are finished.

The consortium now contains 1,362,687 items, 941,931 bibs, and 223,002 patrons. Member libraries borrow and lend materials within the consortium using the already-existing courier delivery service and patrons can place holds on materials from member libraries in the same way they can from their local systems. The Missouri Evergreen website, <http://libraries.missourievergreen.org>, contains more information about the consortium, including member libraries and borrowing/lending statistics.

The mission of Missouri Evergreen is to provide a shared integrated library system to increase resource sharing among Missouri public libraries. Administered by MOBIUS, it is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

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Leslie Hayes Joins Staff of Forest Institute of Professional Psychology

Leslie Hayes joined the staff of Forest Institute of Professional Psychology as a full time Library Assistant on September 2 of this year. Previously, Leslie was a Librarian II at Potosi Correctional Center. She received her MLS from the University of Missouri in 2012, and received an MA in English Literature from Missouri State University in 2008.

The Forest Institute of Professional Psychology is an institution of higher education located in Springfield, Missouri, with a satellite site in St. Louis. It is dedicated to providing professional education and community service focused in the social and behavioral sciences. Forest Institute of Professional Psychology's library includes a collection of over 29,000 titles, including monographs, ebooks, journal subscriptions, and multimedia, with a focus on graduate-level research in counseling and clinical psychology.

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Current MLA Bylaws	Proposed Changes	Rationale for Changes
<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 3. Elections: Ballots and statements of professional concern shall be distributed to all voting members at least twenty-one days prior to the beginning of the Annual Business Meeting. Only ballots received by the designated deadline shall be counted. A committee of three selected by the Executive Board shall count the ballots prior to the Annual Business Meeting and announce the results at the Annual Business Meeting normally held during the Annual Conference. A plurality vote shall elect. In the event of a tie vote those eligible Members present at the Annual Business Meeting shall vote to determine the outcome.</p>	<p>Section 3. Elections: Ballots and statements of professional concern shall be distributed to all voting members <i>in a timely manner in order to permit notification of the winners</i> at least twenty-one days prior to the beginning of the Annual Business Meeting. Only ballots received by the designated deadline shall be counted. A committee of three selected by the Executive Board shall count the ballots prior to the Annual Business Meeting and announce the results at the Annual Business Meeting normally held during the Annual Conference. A plurality vote shall elect. In the event of a tie vote those eligible Members present at the Annual Business Meeting shall vote to determine the outcome.</p>	<p>ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections Section 3. Elections: Changing the language clarifies the flexibility that the Board has in setting the election date and specifies that the date shall be chosen in order to permit timely notification of election results to the candidates.</p>

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Access Services Community of Interest

The Access Services Community of Interest (ASCI) sponsored nine breakout sessions during the 2014 MLA conference. Among these sessions was *The Future of Access Services Lightning Talks*. The talks included “Mobius-Expanded” by Katherine Bohnenkamper of Drury University, “Media Vending Solutions for Branch Libraries” by Samantha Hellman of Springfield-Greene County Public Library, “Free and Easy: Taking Your Employee Manuals Online” by Ellie Kohler of Rockhurst University, and “Shifting Math” by Joshua Lambert of Missouri State. Joshua Lambert, Chair, and June DeWeese, member Emeritus, talked with several people during the Meet and Greet about the CI. The annual business meeting was productive and many exciting ideas for topics for next year were discussed. Ellie Kohler, Rockhurst, was elected Recorder for 2015.

Remember ASCI is open to anyone who works in Access Services, which many include Circulation, Interlibrary Loan, and Reserves, to name a few. You only need to mark your membership renewal form indicating interest to join ASCI.

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Amigos Updates

Amigos online conference “Discovery Tools Now and in the Future” features outstanding sessions, new non-member pricing

Don't miss the Amigos November 18 online conference, “Discovery Tools Now and in the Future.” The schedule features a number of interesting and informative sessions. Three concurrent sessions are offered throughout the day.

Public and academic libraries will be interested in Marshall Breeding's “The Advancement of Discovery through Openness and Interoperability,” while Eddy Smith's session, “Implementing Discovery in a Consortium,” will interest library consortiums. Academic libraries should check out Ken Varnum's session, “Library Discovery: From Ponds to Oceans to Streams.”

As always, Amigos members can attend free of charge as a benefit of membership. We're also happy to announce new, lower pricing for our online conferences. An individual non-member can attend for \$89.99, while a group can register for \$149.99.

See the [conference website](#) for session descriptions and registration.

Amigos to host fellowship program online informational session

The Amigos Fellowship and Opportunity Award Program supports library innovation, development, and research. Through a competitive selection process, up to \$10,000 is available annually to Amigos member libraries and their staff. Funding may be requested for projects that will advance the services of the library or promote the growth and development of individuals or teams.

Join Amigos staff online on November 11, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. CST to learn about the award program, hear how you or your library can apply for funding, and find out what projects may qualify. Also, get tips on writing a successful proposal and ask questions about the process.

This one-hour session is open exclusively to Amigos members and is free of charge.

Download the Guidelines for Application and start the application process now by submitting your intent to apply. You will then receive a username and password to access the full application packet. Final applications are due March 15, 2015.

For more information, contact Pamila Carter, opportunity@amigos.org, or call 800-843-8482, ext. 2883.

New collections care classes added to Amigos fall course schedule

Good news for those seeking the training and expertise to care for your collections! Some fantastic online courses have recently been added to the Amigos fall schedule for those interested in preservation and collections care. These courses cover a wide variety of topics that will be useful in extending the life of your collections.

In November, we will offer “Protect Your Collection From Mold and Pests.” In December, join us for “Preservation of Photographic Materials,” “Emergency Preparedness: Response and Recovery,” and “Introduction to Preservation: Issues and Practices.” See the [class schedule](#) to register or for more details.

Upcoming Amigos online training classes

[Web Publishing: The Basics](#)

December 1 - 4

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CST

[Preservation of Photographic Materials](#)

December 2 & 9

1:30 - 3:30 p.m. CST

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Upcoming Amigos online training classes

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[Cataloging & Classification Basics](#)

December 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CST

[Emergency Preparedness: Response and Recovery](#)

December 4 & 11
1:30 - 3:30 p.m. CST

[Web Publishing: Introduction to Style Sheets 1](#)

December 8 - 11
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. CST

[Web Publishing: Introduction to Style Sheets 2](#)

December 15 - 18
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. CST

[Introduction to Preservation: Issues and Practices](#)

December 16 & 23
1:30 - 3:30 p.m. CST

Visit the Amigos Continuing Education [Trainig Schedule](#) for a complete list of scheduled training.

Amigos members get special pricing on Infobase eBook databases, Films on Demand, Facts on File

From now until December 31, 2014, Infobase Learning is offering Amigos members [discount pricing](#) on their award-winning Films on Demand, Facts on File, and eBook databases.

Libraries receive 25% off all new Films on Demand subscriptions. The features include:

- 310,000 video clips and 19,000 full-length videos
- Videos from reputable producers like A&E, History Channel, TED, and National Geographic
- New content frequently added at no extra cost

Infobase Learning is also offering 35% off any five Facts on File databases. You have the freedom to create your own package from 20 databases. Subjects range from careers, literature, language, science and health. A complete list of the available databases can be found [here](#).

Additionally, Amigos members receive 25% off Infobase Learning's Academic or Literary Classic eBook collections.

The Academic eBook Subscription features:

- More than 1,800 titles in a variety of subjects
- Exclusive unlimited, simultaneous use, on or off site
- Full texts of titles from award-winning imprints such as Facts on File, Ferguson's, and Bloom's

The Literary Classics eBook Collections contains full text of more than 800 classic works featured in Bloom's Literary Canon. The collection includes:

- The essential works of the most important authors, such as Euripedes, Thoreau, da Vinci, Proust, and Tolstoy
- MARC records
- Notetaking and highlighting features

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Amigos members get special pricing on Infobase eBook databases, Films on Demand, Facts on File

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For more information or a free trial, contact Liz Wardlaw, wardlaw@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2802.

McGraw-Hill's eBook Library offers 30% savings to Amigos members

During this special year-end offer, Amigos members can save 30% on [McGraw-Hill eBook Library](#) collections in key subject areas, such as test preparation, AP exams, technical, computing, medical, language, and business.

As a librarian, you want to offer the most trusted, current, high-value selection of information possible with special consideration of your library's budget. The McGraw-Hill eBook Library will make a valuable addition to your library.

For pricing and trial information, contact Christopher Burke, burke@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Amigos members, get two months of Mango Languages free

[Mango Languages](#), an easy-to-use interactive linguistic learning tool, is offering new Amigos customers two months of free service and a 10% discount when signing a one year contract. If a multi-year agreement is signed the discount increases to 20% discount.

Mango offers remote online access, allowing your patrons the ability to learn at their convenience. They also offer [webinars](#) to provide additional information.

For pricing and trial information, contact Christopher Burke, burke@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Amigos, [DeGruyter](#) announce Amigos Journal Package

Amigos and [DeGruyter](#) are excited to announce the Amigos Journal Package, containing 198 journal titles to which current Amigos members currently subscribe. New subscribers are eligible for savings of more than 70% off list price.

Subjects include:

- Classical and Ancient Near Eastern Studies
- Literary Studies
- History
- Law
- Mathematics
- Medicine
- Natural Sciences
- Philosophy
- Social Sciences
- Theology, Jewish Studies, Religious Studies

For pricing information and a complete title list, contact Liz Wardlaw, wardlaw@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2802.

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Mid-America Library Alliance Updates

Reserve Annual lynda.com Licenses through MALA

We are preparing for the March 1, 2015, rollout of annual lynda.com licenses; MALA is taking reservations now. These individual licenses (one user per license) will allow each subscriber unlimited access to all the lynda.com content for a year, starting March 1, 2015. Contact us right away to reserve your spot!

Why reserve now? Because there are limited seats available! Why purchase through MALA? Because we can offer the benefits of consortia purchasing. The average savings of an annual license purchased through MALA is \$275.00 per license! For groups of 20 or more, we may be able to offer an even greater savings.

Would you like to try out lynda.com before then? We have a few short-term licenses left for only \$45.00 per license. These individual licenses allow access to all of the lynda.com content and features through February 28, 2015.

Offering training your way and on your schedule, lynda.com is an award-winning provider of rich, relevant and educational materials with an ever-expanding library of thousands of media-rich online tutorials in a variety of topic areas.

Apply what you can learn at your library:

- Assist Patrons asking about Microsoft, Adobe and Apple/Mac applications!
- Keep your IT Staff current on the latest products and versions!
- Expand your Social Media presence effectively and Reach New Audiences!
- Engage Youth and Teens with new skills in Video, Music, and Animation!
- Energize your Displays with Photography and Design!
- Leverage Mobile Apps to reach Patrons in new ways!
- and much more, **all for just \$45.00 per license!**

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If your organization is already a member of MALA -- you are eligible. Otherwise, it is easy to become a [MALA Educational Affiliate Member](#) today in order to take advantage of this great training opportunity. Please visit the membership page of our website to learn more about becoming a MALA Educational Affiliate member.

Visit our website at www.mid-americalibraryalliance.org or contact Kirsten Myers by email at [kirstenmyersHYPERLINK "mailto:kirstenmyers@mid-americalibraryalliance.org"@mid-americalibraryalliance.org](mailto:kirstenmyers@mid-americalibraryalliance.org) or by phone at 816-521-7266 for more information.

New MALA All-Access Pass for Webcasts

Have you been limited in registering for *all* the MALA webcasts you *really* want to watch? What about the topics that would be fun to watch, but you can't justify the expenditure? Now you can watch them all -- for a year! -- for one affordable price.

We know that library budgets are tight. And even with MALA's affordable rates on individual webcasts, you have had to make choices and prioritize. To fill this need, we have created the new MALA All-Access Pass for Webcasts!

This annual subscription provides you access to ALL MALA webcasts past, present and future during your subscription year for one rate (\$89.00 for MALA Members and \$189.00 for Non-Members).

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New MALA All-Access Pass for Webcasts

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Yes, that's right, all the new topics we add to our ever-expanding body of library-specific webcasts during your subscription period will be available to you, too!

Some of the upcoming topics include:

- The Impact of Personality Types at Work
- Seasonal Writing Programs for Your Library
- Tactical Marketing: Your Library's Future Depends On It
- Your Library Can Be a Dangerous Place: Mitigating Encounters with Threatening/Violent Patrons

If you would like to see which topics are available now, please visit our [webcast](#) page in our Professional Development section. Please note, the MALA All-Access Pass does not include Harassment Prevention Training for Library Staff and Supervisors.

[Register now](#), or for more information, contact Kirsten Myers by email at kirstenmyers@mid-americalibraryalliance.org or by phone at 816-521-7266 or toll-free 877-600-9699.

November and December MALA Workshops

MALA's lineup of in-person workshops is open for registration. For descriptions and pricing, please click the workshop link for more information.

Reader's Advisory:

11/6/2014: [Young at Heart - YA Books For Adults](#) – Kim Patton

Supervisory/Management/Leadership:

11/21/2014: [Fundamentals of Coaching, Counseling & Discipline in Your Library](#) – Tiffany Hentschel

Library Programs and Trends:

12/3, 12/10 and 12/17: [How to Accomplish More in Less Time and with Less Effort and Stress](#) (3-week series of 90-minute webcasts)

Group Seating Tickets for Kansas City Broadway Series Shows

The Mid-America Library Alliance (MALA) has blocked a group of tickets for our MALA members and their guests to some of the most exciting shows to visit the Music Hall and Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts. See all five Kansas City Broadway Series Shows and two special engagements. There are a limited amount of tickets available for purchase, and orders will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment must be made by credit card at the time of purchase. No checks will be accepted.

If your organization is not a MALA member, you can join as an [Educational Affiliate member](#) to participate in these special events!

The shows/dates listed below have tickets available for purchase now. To purchase tickets, please click on the show title:

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The 417 Librarians: Changing Faces, Going Places

The 417 Librarians have continued meeting, eating, and networking online while the faces of some of our leaders have been changing. First, Heather Cottle-Dillon (Springfield-Greene County Library) took on other responsibilities and was succeeded by Miranda Stringer (Springfield-Greene County Library). Then Rebecca Clarke (formerly of Springfield-Greene County Library and now at St. Louis County Library) accepted a new job out of the area. Chelsea Estes Shoemake (Marshfield R-1 Schools) was able to step in and help lead briefly, and now she has been succeeded by Sara Stubbins (semi-retired school librarian). Andrea Miller (Missouri State University) has continued to help lead throughout these changes.



Passage to paradise at Café Cusco (curtained doorway)

This year, a joint dinner with the local Student Library Science Association was enjoyed at the stunningly beautiful Café Cusco, which boasts jaw-dropping woodwork and delicious Peruvian cuisine.

After an Italian dinner at Bambino's, we returned to the Springfield Art Museum for a docent-led tour of the Watercolor USA exhibition, which featured its first 3-D piece. Missouri State University offered a behind-the-scenes tour of its Special Collections and Archives. Among many treasures related to the Ozarks and

MSU, we saw the oldest book in the library (1502), as well as *The Historie of Foure-Footed Beastes*, which has inspired a [Facebook](#) page. A 1930 yearbook picturing first graders at MSU's laboratory school [using saws](#) while working on a school project showed how much times have changed. We also viewed an exhibit of Mesoamerican and Native American art which was the product of a collaborative effort between Special Collections and an art history professor.



Too much of a good thing is never enough! (shelving in archives)

Later we went out on our first dinner and a movie, *The Fault in Our Stars*, in a quest to "research" the perennial question—which was better: the book or the movie?



You can't get a librarian's goat! (goat)

Fall is in the air, and so are ears of corn thanks to the corn cannons at Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park's Fall Fest. We toured the farm's barnyard and pumpkin patch.

We also hosted a gathering for all the statewide Librarians Who Lunch groups at the Missouri Library Association's Conference.

We hope you can join us online on the [417 Librarians](#) Facebook page, which now has over 245 followers, or at our future events, which will be posted to the MLA, SWRASL, and SISLT listservs, and a private email group (email mirandas@thelibrary.org to join).

If you have any questions or would like more information, feel free to contact any of the co-facilitators:

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MU Libraries Updates

MU Librarians Author Chapters in New Library Instruction Book

Shelly McDavid, a library information assistant at the Veterinary Medical Library, and Rebecca Graves, the educational services librarian for the Health Sciences Library, co-authored two chapters, "Introduction to Learning Theory" and "Introduction to Instructional Techniques," which appear in *Curriculum-Based Library Instruction: From cultivating faculty relationships to assessment* (Medical Library Association Book Series), 2014. The book has just been released and was co-edited by Amy Blevins, a graduate of the MU School of Information Science and Learning Technologies.

MU to Open Census Bureau Research Data Center in Ellis Library

The University of Missouri has received approval from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to become a satellite location for the new Research Data Center (RDC) to be located in Kansas City, Mo. Now, researchers from MU and around the Midwest will be able to access millions of files of census bureau data for research projects ranging from public health issues to economics. Hank Foley, senior vice chancellor for research and graduate studies at MU, says this new center will further position MU as a leading research institution in the region.

The University of Missouri has dedicated \$1 million from the general operating budget to finance the new facility, which will be located in Ellis Library on the MU campus; fund the salary of a census bureau employee to operate the RDC; create small grants for faculty to receive federal approval to use the RDC; fund several doctoral fellowships to train students in using the database; and begin a seminar series promoting the types of research in which the RDC is capable of assisting. The primary RDC, located in Kansas City, is funded by the Kauffman Foundation. While the MU RDC is technically a satellite center, it will allow the same access to census bureau data as the primary RDC in Kansas City. Chris Wickle, a professor of statistics at MU, says the new RDC will be a valuable resource for all kinds of research.

The date in which the MU RDC will be opened has not yet been named, but Heflin believes it should be operational within the next year.

Traveling Exhibition Tells the Story of Abraham Lincoln's Struggle to Meet the Constitutional Challenges of the Civil War

"Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War," a traveling exhibition that opened at the MU Law Library on September 18, 2014 examines how President Lincoln used the Constitution to confront three intertwined crises of the Civil War—the secession of Southern states, slavery and wartime civil liberties. The MU Libraries and the MU Law Libraries are co-hosting the exposition.

Lincoln is widely acknowledged as one of America's greatest presidents, but his historical reputation is contested. Was he a calculating politician willing to accommodate slavery, or a principled leader justly celebrated as the Great Emancipator? This exhibition provides no easy answers. Rather, it encourages visitors to form a nuanced view of Lincoln by engaging them with Lincoln's struggle to reconcile his policy preferences with basic American ideals of liberty and equality. This exhibition develops a more complete understanding of Abraham Lincoln as president and the Civil War as the nation's gravest constitutional crisis.

Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States in 1860, at a time when the nation was on the brink of war. Lincoln struggled to resolve the basic questions that divided Americans at the most perilous moment in the nation's history: Was the United States truly one nation, or was it a confederacy of sovereign and separate states? How could a country founded on the belief that "all men are created equal" tolerate slavery? In a national crisis, would civil liberties be secure? President Lincoln used the Constitution to confront these three crises of war, ultimately reinventing the Constitution and the promise of American life.

"We are delighted to have been selected as a site for this exhibition," said Jim Cogswell, Director of Libraries. The Director of MU's Law Library, Randy Diamond is equally pleased with the opportunity to co-host this exposition. "As a new president, Abraham Lincoln was faced with enormous challenges. This exhibition shows how Lincoln struggled with issues of secession, slavery and civil liberties—all questions our country's founding charter left unanswered. Each section of the exhibit features information about a different aspect of Lincoln's presidency. For example, the section about slavery examines the various policy options Lincoln once embraced and how his thoughts about slavery evolved over time. Most importantly, the exhibit helps visitors understand why Lincoln's struggle with the Constitution still matters today."

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Springfield-Greene County Library Updates



Staff and Patrons Mug for Free To Read Fest

The Springfield-Greene County Library celebrated Banned Books Week with a Free To Read Fest September 23-27. Creative banned books displays at various branches were so enticing that librarians had trouble restocking the book displays. Staff members and patrons took Get Caught Reading mugshots and posted them on the District's Facebook page. The final event at the Library Center, A Banned Performance, featured theater students from Ozarks Technical Community College performing selections from banned and challenged writings under the direction of OTC theatre instructor Jon Herbert. Jon led discussions about the issues of censorship and freedom of information during performances.



Faces from Free to Read Fest

Teens Enjoy Pulling the Plug on Electronics – For a Day

Thirty-two teens participated in the We're Pulling the Plug! teen program on September 25 at the Midtown Carnegie Branch Library. Instead of pitching a fit that they couldn't play Xbox or get on the computers, several kids asked to play Mafia, a progressive story game, and enjoyed an unplugged day of play in the library.



A crowd from We're Pulling the Plug!



Col. Michael Hopkins addresses a Library Center via Skype.

NASA Astronaut Visits Springfield via Skype

NASA astronaut Col. Michael Hopkins made space science alluring as he talked via Skype to about 35 children and adults at the Library Center auditorium on October 3. It kicked off the Library District's World Space Week series, which included a space-themed geocache adventure in Springfield. Hopkins' Skype visit was recorded and uploaded to the Library's YouTube account at youtu.be/h2FQgVb5LkI. As Library Center Reference Librarian Tammy Flippen asked questions provided by staff and the audience, Hopkins discussed his long journey from astronaut training to his 166-day flight and experiments aboard the International Space Station.

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Tattoo Art a Hit with Younger Crowd

A Park Central Branch program “View the Art of Tattoos” on October 3 struck a chord with younger audiences. It featured a Q&A session with the artists from Kaleidoscope Tattoo parlor, and later 52 young adults and adults made their own temporary tattoos.

Abraham Lincoln Actor Draws Living History Lovers

Actor and scholar Fritz Klein, in the character of President Abraham Lincoln, held an audience of nearly 200 people spellbound during a presentation October 14 at the Springfield Art Museum. “State of the Union: October 14, 1864” featured Lincoln’s analysis of the war and his personal sentiments about the lives lost and the war’s turn of events in 1864. His visit was part of a series, “Campaigns & Politics: The Civil War in 1864,” offered on October 8-27, and featured scholarly talks by Civil War historians.



Actor Fritz Klein addresses a Springfield audience as Abraham Lincoln



Springfield author Jan Brett

Springfield Awaits Author/Illustrator Jan Brett’s Dec. 5 Visit

Beloved author/illustrator Jan Brett, of “The Mitten” and “Hedgie” fame, will include the Library Center in her 23-city fall tour on December 5. Brett plans a talk and a drawing demonstration at 5:00 p.m., and at 5:20pm will sell and sign several of her popular children’s books including her newest release, “The Animals’ Santa.” The Library also plans giveaways, drawings, and children’s activities during the event, which is open to all ages.

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Updates for Library & Information Science SISLT, Missouri's iSchool

MU's PuLL Fellows Attend MLA Conference

Who were those lively and intelligent people you saw at the MLA Conference? The first cohort of the Public Library Leadership Fellows!

MU professors Denice Adkins and Jenny Bossaller received a \$347,488 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Studies (IMLS) to begin a new program focused on public library leadership. The primary goal of the MU-SISLT Public Library Leadership Fellows (PuLL) Program is to educate the next generation of public library leaders in Missouri through class work, mentorship and networking.

Classes focus on issues such as working with library boards, legal and financial elements of public libraries, diversity, human resources, and community relations.

Cohort 1, admitted in the fall, is currently taking two classes: *Leadership for Diversity in Public Libraries* and *Public Library Administration and Management*. In the spring, they will take *Community Leadership*, a service-learning course, and will complete a practicum in one of our partner libraries, shadowing and working with experienced public library administrators and mentors. The partner libraries are Daniel Boone Regional Library, Kansas City Public Library, Mid-Continent Public Library, Springfield-Greene Public Library, St. Charles City-County Library, and St. Louis County Library.

Students are funded to attend the MLA and American Library Association Annual meetings during their cohort year. We asked the students what they had learned so far this year. Haley Anthes, from Columbia, said, "I've learned that marketing is a lot more involved than making and hanging posters, and that it is more important to public libraries than most people would think." Cody Croan, from Kansas City, responded, "I've learned how library administrators, especially directors, must have a broad vision of their organization with highly concentrated intentionality in their actions." Ashley Runyon, from St. Charles, said that she as "learned that the diversity of an organization is not just based on the race of its employees but rather the multitude of facets that make up each employee as individual." The other fellows are Amanda Barnhardt (Kansas City), Kathryn Brockmeier (Lincoln, Nebraska), Jill Frasher and Taira Meadowcroft from Columbia, and Claire Presley Marks from St. Louis.

Following three cohorts, SISLT plans to open up the classes to the broader state audience, either through continuing education or as a certificate program. For more information, see <http://libraryleaders.missouri.edu/index.html>. For more information on IMLS, please visit <http://www.ims.gov/>.

Connect with iSchool at Missouri's faculty and students at ASIS&T 2014 Annual Meeting

Faculty and students from SISLT, iSchool at University of Missouri will participate in the [77th American Society for Information Science and Technology \(ASIS&T\) Annual Meeting](#), which will be held October 31-November 5 in Seattle.

Tuesday, November 4

10:30 – 12:00

[Informational and Media Failures and Potential Successes](#)

Professor John Budd, SISLT, iSchool at Missouri, Lai Ma, University College Dublin; Ronald E. Day, Indiana University; Siobhan Stevenson, University of Toronto

2:00 – 3:30

[The Influence of Community Demographics on New Public Library Facilities](#)

Professor Denice Christine Adkins, doctoral student, Kenneth Carter Haggerty – SISLT, iSchool at Missouri with Thomas Michael Haggerty, University North Alabama

SISLT is a cosponsor the [ASIS&T Alumni Reception](#) on Tuesday, November 4, at 6:30 p.m.

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Mid-America Library Alliance Updates

Group Seating Tickets for Kansas City Broadway Series Shows

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[Motown the Musical](#)

Friday, December 12, 2014, 7:30 p.m., Music Hall, Orchestra Seats - \$88.00 per ticket

[Chicago](#)

Friday, January 23, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Kauffman Center for Performing Arts, Grand Tier Seats - \$77.00 per ticket

[Peter and the Starcatcher](#)

Friday, April 3, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Kauffman Center for Performing Arts, Grand Tier Seats - \$77.00 per ticket

[Once](#)

Friday, June 19, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Kauffman Center for Performing Arts, Grand Tier Seats - \$77.00 per ticket

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The 417 Librarians: Changing Faces, Going Places

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MU Libraries Updates

Traveling Exhibition Tells the Story of Abraham Lincoln's Struggle to Meet the Constitutional Challenges of the Civil War

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The National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office organized the traveling exhibition, which was made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH): great ideas brought to life. The traveling exhibition is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the National Constitution Center.

The traveling exhibition is composed of informative panels featuring photographic reproductions of original documents, including a draft of Lincoln's first inaugural speech, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth Amendment.

The libraries are sponsoring [free programs and other events](#) for the public in connection with the exhibition. "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" was on display at the law library until October 31, 2014.

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Saint Louis Regional Library Network Tech Expo 2015 Call for Proposals (Due December 8, 2014)



Purser Center, Logan University

**Chesterfield, MO
February 25, 2015**

What digital learning technologies, tools, strategies, techniques or philosophies are you using in your library? What changes have you made in your library to engage users in learning new technologies? Would you like feedback about new projects or programs that your library has implemented? How are you helping people who use your library to adapt to the changing nature of the information landscape?

The Saint Louis Regional Library Network is **seeking proposals** that answer these questions and more. No matter what type of library you work in, presenting a Tech Expo session allows you to share and learn about effective tools and techniques. More importantly, conducting presentations, sharing new strategies and exchanging ideas opens the door for librarians & staff to discuss what we do best in our libraries. Put this network to use and submit a proposal for the **2015 Tech Expo**.

Possible topics include:

Banned Books/Censorship
Children's Programming
E-readers & Tablets
Gaming
Google/Google Scholar
Learning Management Systems
LibAnalytics
LibGuides & LibAnswers
Library Advocacy
Low budget solutions
Marketing/PR
Mobile Technology
Online Teaching
People with Disabilities
Privacy
Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness
Special Collections
Virtual Reference

Presenters receive complimentary registration to the Tech Expo.

Download the proposal form at <http://www.slrln.org>. Complete and submit by **December 8, 2014** to slrln@amigos.org or fax it to 314-529-1396.

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Professor Moulaison and Doctoral Student Nathan Lawrence Co-author Article

iSchool at Missouri's doctoral student Nathan Lawrence and Professor Heather Lea Moulaison co-authored the article "[Skimming Comprehension in Two Online Document Presentation Environments](#)". *Library Hi Tech*. Find the [entire article here](#).

SISLT Welcomes Bennett Magnino, New Internet Administrator for Project Whistlestop

We are pleased to announce that Bennett Magnino has joined SISLT as the Internet Administrator for Project Whistlestop, the digital library for the Truman Presidential Library. Bennett resides in the [Allen Institute](#) at MU, his responsibilities include website and database management for the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum

Bennett holds an MLIS from the University of Iowa and a BA in English from Grinnell College, and he has work experience in public, academic and school libraries. In his personal time, he enjoys cooking and writing short fiction.

LIS Professor Chris LeBeau Shares her Experience on UCUR Radio Program "Meet The Teachers of Some Unusual Classes at UMKC's Communiversity"

LeBeau's segment is titled: "So You Want To Be A Librarian?"

The business librarian at UMKC, Chris LeBeau, uses her personal experience to help others find their inner librarian. LeBeau describes what it means to be a guardian of these "little cities" of knowledge.

"A lot of people come to us, sometimes refugees from the classroom," LeBeau said. "They've been teaching, and they want to get out of the classroom and they want to stay in education."

Communiversity runs from September 22 until December 13. [Click here to listen to the interview](#)

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Correction

This issue of *MO Info* is a correction of the one first submitted on November 15 2014. The following correction was made:

November 18 2014

- In the article "Notice of MLA Bylaws Vote," a correction was added, stating that the the date of the vote was changed from November 15-December 13 to November 21-December 19. The title of the article was also changed to reflect this correction.

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- Include desired headline and your contact email and role in MLA
- Include digital photos (with captions) and graphics with your articles as desired

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