

## President's Message



Earlier this week, I watched the live webcast of Dr. Carla Hayden's Senate confirmation hearing for Librarian of Congress. Throughout Dr. Hayden's testimony, she provided numerous examples of how libraries have an impact on their communities and patrons, including herself. She shared a tale about the moment she realized she wanted to become a librarian after witnessing a storytime session for autistic children. I think this is something near and dear to us. That a-ha moment when we recognized that our calling was to serve in the library field.

For me, I was in my second semester at East Central College, when I was frantically talking with my English professor after class about my realization that declaring social work as my major might have been a mistake. He asked me what I really enjoyed in high school, and I reflected on my experience as a library aide at the elementary school. I enjoyed helping the children pick out books to read. I enjoyed helping the librarian create displays. I enjoyed helping my high school classmates with research tips I learned from the librarian. I enjoyed being surrounded by all that knowledge and helping people discover it. That was my a-ha moment when I realized I wanted to become a librarian, and I never looked back.

I know each of us arrives at that moment in different ways, but our destination is the same. We are called to this profession because we want to make an impact in the lives of our communities and patrons. Who knows, maybe someday, one of us will be confirmed as the next Librarian of Congress. To quote Dr. Hayden, "Of all the titles I've had in my professional career, I'm most proud to be called a librarian."

In case you missed it, you can view a recording or read transcripts of Dr. Carla Hayden's testimony at on [C-SPAN](#). Also, feel free to join the discussion and share your a-ha moment on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

Yours in service,

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## Missouri Candidates Win ALA elections

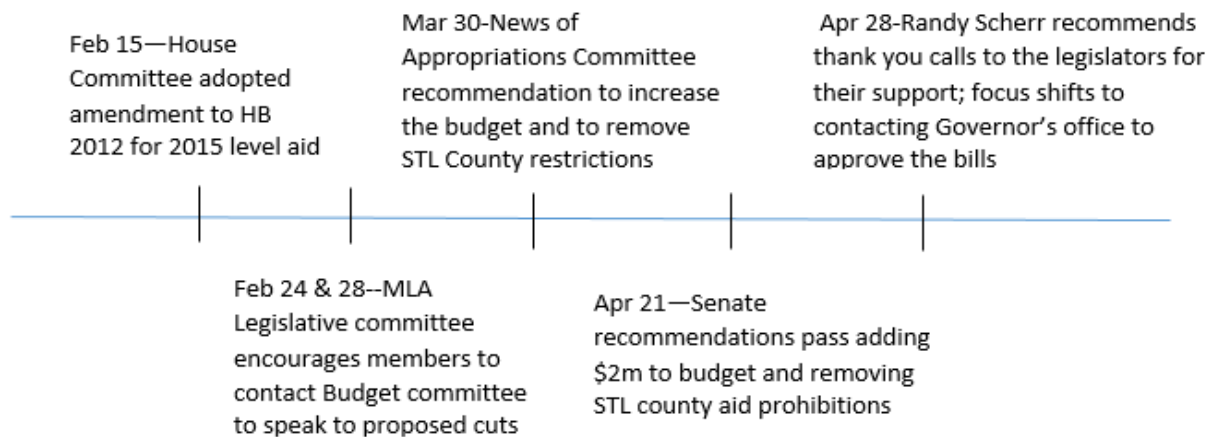


Chris Le Beau, Assistant Teaching Professor for SISLT and Research and Instruction Librarian for UMKC has been elected president of RUSA. She will assume the president-elect role in June 2016 and presidency in June 2017.

Dr. Stephanie Tolson, Dean of Learning Resources and Academic Support for St. Charles Community College has been elected ALA Councilor. She will begin her Councilor-elect role immediately and shift to Councilor June 2016 until 2019.



## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES



Thank you to everyone for contacting government officials and sharing their stories of the importance of libraries.

Gerald Brooks

Chair, MLA Legislative Committee

## MLA Awards Committee seeks nominations



### Public Relations Achievement

#### Recognizing outstanding public relations

Sometimes a library amazes its community with a public relations campaign that reaches all residents with the good news about what libraries have to offer. If you know a library that had a public relations project in the past year with a specific purpose or goal, nominate it for the Public Relations Achievement award. Pictures, newspaper articles, and/or the library's own written account of the project may be submitted. The [nomination form](#) is due by July 1.

### Literary Award

*Not to be confused with the Missouri Author Awards that will be awarded for the first time this year* - The MLA Literary Award recognizes a Missouri writer or an individual who has written an outstanding book on **some aspect of Missouri life**. The Award may be given for a body of work or for an outstanding book written during a specific year. Deadline for nominations is July 1. The [nomination form](#) is available on our webpage.

Direct questions on either award to Diane Disbro, 2016 Awards Committee Chairman, [ddisbro@scenicregional.org](mailto:ddisbro@scenicregional.org)

## Little Bits Make Big Fun at Kirkwood Public Library



Teen Tech Week provided the perfect opportunity for our teens to preview the Little Bits Workshop Kit, acquired through the Summer Library Programs grant through the Missouri State Library.

Little Bits are small electronic circuits that snap together using magnets allowing kids to make anything from a simple buzzer to more complex electronic creations. Teens quickly learned how to use the bits, made some interesting devices and had a blast doing it. Planning is underway for a series of Little Bits programs for children and teens this summer at Kirkwood Public Library.

-Lynn Bosso, Dir. Programming and Youth Services

## MIZZOU LIS NEWS



**Congratulations** to LIS student Alex De Santiago, recipient of the 2016 Sharon Willis Memorial Scholarship! Presented at the 2016 MASL Conference.

### Applications are currently in progress for Fall 2016 enrollment in SISLT LIS Program

The application deadline is July 15 and admission decisions are made continuously until student capacity is met. For more information on admissions criteria visit: <http://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/library-and-information-science-master-of-arts/> or call (877) 747-5868.

### LIS Program Celebrates it's 50th Anniversary

The School of Information Science & Learning Technologies is proud to announce that we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of our Library and Information Science Program. Be sure to watch for invitations and notices of our celebration activities and upcoming events

### MU Spring 2016 Commencement Ceremonies

Masters and Educational  
Specialists  
May 14, 2016 | 12:00 PM  
Mizzou Arena

Hoarding Ceremony for Doctoral  
Candidates  
May 15, 2016 | 6:00 PM  
Jesse Auditorium

College of Education | SISLT  
Graduate Reception  
May 14, 2016 | 8:30 – 10:30  
AM  
Townsend Hall Lobby

-Shannon Cary, Communications



**Student Conference**

The University of Missouri’s Library and Information Science Graduate Student Association recently hosted their annual spring conference. Our conference is unique in that it is completely student organized, designed and coordinated and over 75% of its content is presented by students. Held on Saturday, April 9, 2016 at Mizzou’s campus in Columbia, MO this free conference brought in over 50 student, faculty and professional attendees and featured keynote speaker, Emily Weak of hiringlibrarians.com

Attendees were treated to a mix of presentations, posters and a panel discussion fitting into the theme of “Spring Fling into Library Careers.” Special guest Ann Campion Riley, current ACRL President and acting director of the UM Libraries, shared close to an hour of her time speaking of library involvement in universities and answering questions from a very enthused group!

The conference ended with a celebration acknowledging the University’s upcoming 50th anniversary of the LIS Program.

The LISGSA Board would like to thank MLA for continuing to support and promote student events and student participation in all things library as we continue our education and careers into this worthwhile profession.

Thank you!

- Julie Blatt, President
- Sara Moesel, Vice President
- Jeff Corrigan, Treasurer
- Meagan Hicks, Secretary
- Sarah Colbert, Student Representative

For further information about LISGSA, please follow our social media accounts:

- E-mail: [mu.lisgsa@gmail.com](mailto:mu.lisgsa@gmail.com)
- Twitter: @MizzouLISGSA
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LISGSA>



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- Amanda Sebaugh, LIS Advisory Board Distance Student Representative

## Mid-America Library Alliance

### Upcoming Workshops and Library Tour

MALA's lineup of in-person workshops is open for registration!

- May 19: [Improve Your Ability to Serve Those with Disabilities](#)
- Jun. 10: [Problem Solving and Communication for the Front Line Professional](#)
- Jul. 28: [MALA Library Tour](#) - Johnson County Library Central Resource Branch and Kansas City Public Library Main

For more information, please contact Mary Puhr at [marypuhr@mid-americalibraryalliance.org](mailto:marypuhr@mid-americalibraryalliance.org) or (816) 521-7257.

### LEAD the Change Events

The full-day live, interactive Lead the Change workshop brings library thought-leaders, directors, and staff together to learn how today's top libraries are leading change and transforming their communities.

All change starts with a leader taking action and now more than ever, all librarians, regardless of job title, need to see themselves as leaders and change agents. Lead the Change is an interactive workshop that guides attendees through a series of collaborative exercises that will help you harness your ideas, clarify your goals, and create a personal leadership plan.

Register soon – there are a limited number of seats! Lunch is included with this workshop.

- Sept. 20: Lead the Change: What Great Library Leaders Know and Do – **Kansas City area**
  - KC area – Registration for [MO libraries](#) (grant-funded seat request)
  - KC area – Registration for [all other libraries](#) (\$80 per person)
- Sept. 22: Lead the Change: What Great Library Leaders Know and Do – **St. Louis area**
  - St. Louis area – Registration for [MO Libraries](#) (grant-funded seat request)
  - St. Louis area – Registration for [all other libraries](#) (\$80 per person)

### Note to Missouri Libraries:

The Missouri State Library, through an LSTA grant, is funding a limited number of seats for Missouri libraries in this workshop. If you would like one of these available seats (maximum of three per library), please register with one of the MO libraries links. If you need more than three seats, we will have a waiting list. If seats are still available Jun. 1, we will notify the waiting list. Unless you receive an email notice regarding a waiting list, you may assume you have received a grant supported seat.

If the grant seats are full, you will be notified and will have the opportunity to register through the normal registration process. The cost is \$80 per person, and there are a limited number of seats available for purchase for this workshop.

### National Storytelling Conference

Kansas City, MO Jul. 21-24, Marriott Country Club Plaza Hotel

The [National Storytelling Conference](#) brings together National Storytelling Network (NSN) members, as well as individuals and organizations from the community, who are interested in the art and application of storytelling. Members and non-members present material appealing to attendees' variety of interests and developmental needs.

MALA member libraries are eligible for the NSN member rates on the [full conference and day registration rates](#)! A special code for registration is required for MALA members – watch your email for the conference announcement with the code and more information.

-Kirsten Myers, Special Projects Coordinator and Courier Services, Mid-America Library Alliance

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## MU Libraries Acquire Heritage Edition of Saint John's Bible



*The Saint John's Bible* is the only handwritten and illuminated Bible commissioned by a Benedictine Monastery since the advent of the printing press more than 500 years ago. The Heritage Edition is a work of art in itself, a fine art reproduction of the original manuscript created under the direction of Donald Jackson, the artistic director of the original manuscript. Only 299 sets of the Heritage Edition were created.

During the 2015/2016 academic year, the MU Libraries have been celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ellis Library. To mark this anniversary, the Libraries have purchased the Heritage Edition of *The St. John's Bible*. This purchase is made possible through gift funds provided by several generous donors.

The Heritage Edition offers a rare opportunity for MU students, faculty, and independent scholars to have access to this important and monumental work of art which will inspire and delight future generations

### Ellis Library Extends Hours to 24 Hours, 5 Days a Week

Starting on Sept. 8, Ellis Library will be open continuously from Sunday at noon until Friday at midnight and from 8 a.m. until midnight on Saturday. Previously, the main library was closed most nights at 2 pm and at 8 pm on Saturdays. The library will close off access to its upper floors at midnight when it is open overnight, allowing students to use the ground floor and first floor. The library's hour extension applies only to the building and not to library services. Additional security staff will be hired and lighting will be installed to ensure the safety of patrons who are visiting the library late at night. These changes were made because students have consistently requested longer library hours

### Ann Campion Riley Named Acting Director of MU Libraries

Starting July 1, 2015, Ann Campion Riley became the acting director of the MU Libraries. She will serve in this capacity until a national search takes place for the next library director. Riley has served as the associate director for access, collections, and technical services for the MU Libraries since 2006. Riley has been active in local, state, and national library associations and is currently serving as the president of the Association of College and Research Libraries. She is a past president of the Missouri Library Association and served as an Association of Research Libraries Leadership Fellow in 2010-11. She is a writer and speaker on assessment and organizational culture in higher education. Riley was formerly director for technical and access services at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. She was library director at Saint Louis Community College, Meramec, where she twice served as an acting dean and one year as chief campus academic officer. Other academic libraries where Riley has served in a professional capacity include Maryville University, the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and New Mexico State University. She earned her B.A. in English and her M.S. in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois. She has an M.A. in English from the University of Missouri and pursued a Ph.D. in English at Saint Louis University.



## TRIVIA FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendars for the St. Louis Metro Chapter of SLA's annual trivia night!  
 Saturday, August 20, 2016  
 Kirkwood Community Center  
 111 S. Geyer Rd.  
 Kirkwood, MO 63112

Doors open at 6:00 pm, trivia begins at 7:00

Tables are \$200 for 8 people. If you register and pay before July 1, your table will receive 10 free mulligans (a \$15 value!). We will have raffles, games and mulligans for sale. Prizes awarded for first, second and third place. Water and soft drinks are provided. Feel free to bring your own snacks and favorite adult beverage. Please note, if you bring glass bottles they need to go home with you. They cannot be thrown away at the venue.

Put your thinking caps on and join fellow librarians and friends of libraries as we battle for bragging rights! All proceeds go to support our local chapter and help pay for professional development events and our travel grant to the SLA annual conference.

Please use [this form](#) to register. Also, check out the event on our [Facebook page](#). Hope to see you all there.

## The Better to Serve You, My Dear!



After merging the south and north campus libraries -- and a few library folks leaving for retirement -- the UMSL Libraries decided to consolidate the Reference and Circulation desks to form a single-service desk in the Thomas Jefferson Library.

Now called the Public Service Desk, UMSL students, faculty and staff have just one place to visit for their library and information needs. They can get research assistance, check out books, reserve a study room, check out laptops, or ask any other questions about the Libraries. We found that consolidating works well for the patrons!

P.s. The light beam on the desk changes color, drawing folks to the new ask-it hub of the library.

Karen Robinson, Reference/Instruction Librarian, UMSL Libraries

## Mid-Continent

### New Online Avenue for High School Diploma and Career Training

Adults in the Kansas City area looking to earn a high school diploma have a new, innovative, and expense-paid pathway: an online program offered through the Kansas City Public Library, Mid-Continent Public Library (MCPL), and Literacy Kansas City.

The three local institutions are providing free enrollment in the groundbreaking Career Online High School (COHS) to 25 qualifying adult learners through December 2016. The flexible, self-paced program is available through Gale, part of Cengage Learning, and confers both accredited high school diplomas and certification in selected career paths.

Tierra Lewis is one of two pilot students who has already begun courses. She is a testament to the program's possibilities. The 28-year-old mother of two, a resident of Raytown, Missouri, has been enrolled in COHS since November, focusing on child development.

"I want to set an example for my kids," she says.

Lewis spends weekends studying at a nearby MCPL branch and leans on tutors at Literacy KC.



"Me and my daughter have set up our own study group," she says.

I can check out a laptop and go in the back to the children's section, where we work on their homework, and my son plays on the computers. I like that my kids know what I'm doing."

COHS participants must be at least 19 years old, live in the Kansas City metropolitan area, and have up to 18 months to complete coursework. They can graduate in as few as six months by transferring previously earned high school credits. Additional information on [this program](#) is available online.

### Libraries Transform: Celebrating National Library Week

Mid-Continent Public Library (MCPL) branches across Kansas City celebrated National Library Week, April 10 – April 16, 2016, by hosting a myriad of activities – from coffee hours featuring The Roasterie's exclusive Library Lover's blend to "technology tastings" to photo booths with props for customers to take library-inspired "shelfies."

In keeping with the transformational theme, the Library also launched its [new online card signup](#), which allows residents of Jackson, Clay, and Platte Counties to apply for an MCPL Access Pass faster and more conveniently than ever before.

Kicking off the week were mayoral proclamations at numerous MCPL locations, and rounding out the week-long celebration was the return of Access Art, presented in partnership with The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and the Kansas City Art Institute (KCAI). The free all-day, all-ages event featured nine hands-on workshops led by experienced instructors from KCAI, the Museum, and Young Rembrandts. The lineup of classes included timeless practices like drawing and painting as well as how to use modern digital platforms like Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator.



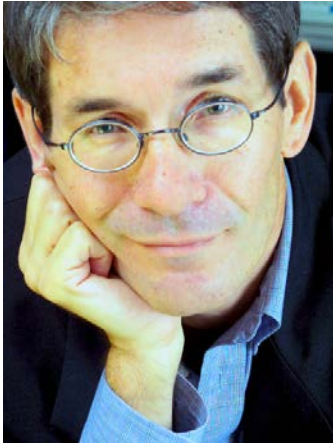
In addition to creating their own works of art, attendees had the chance to experience the creative process of local artists firsthand as artisans displayed their projects and demonstrated their skills. The artists ranged in craft from woodcarving and jewelry design to digital illustration and photography.

### Mid-Continent Public Library Takes on The Big Read

Mid-Continent Public Library fueled conversation and camaraderie across Kansas City in March and April as it brought the community together in appreciation of Ray Bradbury's literary classic, *Fahrenheit 451*. The effort stemmed from the Library's participation in The Big Read, a nationwide initiative sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts.



Published in 1953, *Fahrenheit 451* continues to spark dialogue about the compelling themes and important issues that are addressed between the covers of the dystopian science-fiction novel. As the only Kansas City library that participated in The Big Read in 2016, MCPL hosted a wide variety of innovative programs and workshops focused on the novel for both teens and adults.



Included on the roster of teen programs were writing and art contests, blackout poetry sessions, a robotics building workshop with Science City on the Road educators, and a presentation by award-winning graphic novelist Tim Hamilton. Big Read programs for adults included community book discussions, TV and film screenings, a performance by newEar Contemporary Chamber Ensemble, and a writing seminar led by acclaimed writer and Bradbury biographer Sam Weller, to name a few.

The Big Read launched on March 15 with programs hosted at MCPL branches across the Kansas City area through the end of April. The keynote event, a presentation by Pulitzer Prize-winning literary critic Michael Dirda, offered readers insight into the dystopian vision of *Fahrenheit 451* and its context within the entire genre, which has roots in 19<sup>th</sup> Century England.

## Announcements from Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library

### Book Clubs for Wolfner Library Patrons

Wolfner Library proudly announces THREE new book clubs. Starting in May, Wolfner Library will offer a club for fiction lovers, one for nonfiction lovers and one for those who prefer a mild read with little to no sex, violence or strong language. These clubs will meet via conference call line. Please consider sharing this news with potential Wolfner Library patrons.

#### Schedule:

#### Novel Reads: A fiction book club led by Marsha Posz.

May 12th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *Beloved* by Toni Morrison  
 June 16th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova  
 July 14th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *Dietland* by Sarai Walker

#### Big Ideas: A nonfiction book club led by Marsha Posz.

May 26th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History* by Elizabeth Kolbert  
 June 30th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary* by Simon Winchester  
 July 28th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America* by Erik Larson

#### Good Books: A mild reads club led by Amy Nickless.

May 19th at 2 p.m., a discussion of *One of Ours* by Willa Cather  
 June 23rd at 2 p.m., a discussion of *The Pope and Mussolini: The Secret History of Pius XI and the Rise of Fascism in Europe* by David I. Kertzer  
 July 21st at 2 p.m., a discussion of *Dear Enemy* by Jack Cavanaugh

## Wolfner Library's 2016 Summer Reading Club

Wolfner Library patrons ages 18 and under are invited to join this year's Summer Reading Club: On Your Mark, Get Set, READ! This year's theme not only includes books about sports and gaming, but also ways to stay healthy both in mind and body. The club will run from May 30th through July 30th.

Participants will keep track of time read and turn in their total time at the end of the program in order to receive prizes.

An iPad (Wi-Fi service not included) will be awarded as the grand prize for two age categories: ages 2-12 and 13-18. Prizes will be purchased by the Friends of Wolfner Library. Patrons can register online between May 16th and July 16th by calling Wolfner Library at (800) 392-2614.

Wolfner Library has an active Facebook page. Please consider following Wolfner Library (<https://www.facebook.com/wolfnerlibrary>) to learn about new services, changes in services and to sample the titles offered.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Wolfner Library at [wolfner@sos.mo.gov](mailto:wolfner@sos.mo.gov) or (800) 392-2614.

## Amigos Updates

### Davis, Hollier to Keynote Amigos Member Conference

Registration is now open for the 2016 Amigos Member Conference, "Connections, Collections and Communities." The online conference May 11 and 12 will offer sessions showing how libraries are places where community members gather to explore, interact and grow.

Andrea Davis, librarian with the San Francisco Public Library, kicks off the conference. Her keynote address, "Transformative Collections: Building Bridges for Libraries & Communities," will connect the dots between active library collections and community participation, working together to figure out how this happens. Davis' work at SFPL involves connecting the rich serials collections to local communities through innovative programming and partnerships. Recognized by "Library Journal" in 2012 as one of its Movers & Shakers, Andrea excels at blending unconventional tactics into traditional settings with remarkable results.

After a day and a half of energizing sessions, Jamie Hollier will present "Five Years Out: Understanding Your Community through Scanning" as the closing keynote address. Hollier is a program manager, entrepreneur, and consultant who is passionate about technology and how it can be used to create stronger communities. She has been honored as a White House Champion of Change and has been the lead on numerous award winning projects.

Sign up today to take part in this exciting, informative event. Register at the [conference website](#) by April 21 to ensure receipt of a conference snack box.

### Registration Now Open for "Conference on the Purpose-Based Library"

Sprung from a casual conversation over coffee, this August 24-25 conference will examine and help libraries apply the concepts introduced in the book, "[The Purpose-Based Library](#)."

To kick off the conference, co-authors John Huber ("Lean Library Management") and Steve Potter (public library administrator extraordinaire) will cover the key ideas in their popular book, and additional speakers will discuss putting them into action. On Day Two, conference attendees will break into groups to work together on applying concepts from the book to their situations.

Learning objectives:

- New ways of thinking about metrics;
- Reexamining customer self-driven services;
- Effectively leveraging the considerable footprint of libraries;
- Identifying and assessing community needs, and realigning library services accordingly;
- Actively encouraging community fundraising;
- Offering cutting-edge services and programs,

The conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Kansas City, MO. For more information and registration, [click here](#).

## Ambrose's Spring Whole Catalog Offer is Back

The spring Whole Catalog offer from [Ambrose](#) is back, available until July 31. Amigos members may license the entire streaming video catalog for Ambrose (664 videos) at a special member price. This is good news to members who appreciate the educational content of Ambrose Video Publishing through their licenses to such products as the "[BBC Shakespeare Series](#)," as well as a myriad of [history](#) and [science](#) programs.

The Whole Catalog offer for 2016 extends the same value of previous offers and adds all new videos currently available or forthcoming for the calendar year.

Here is what you need to know:

- 664 videos available at almost 70 percent off full list price.
- Special discounted pricing on a one-year license to any of 100 programs.
- Current customers that do NOT currently license the Whole Catalog may receive credit for those videos they license when they upgrade to the Whole Catalog.
- In-perpetuity options provide similar value to the Whole Catalog offer when purchasing the Whole Catalog. Present in-perpetuity customers that do not have access to the Whole Catalog should inquire about the value they receive in the upgrade.
- If you are a smaller institution (under 2,500 FTE), Ambrose may have special pricing options to explore.

Have your instructors taken a look at the [catalog](#)? All Ambrose content is available to be streamed to any mobile device. The dynamic bit rate switching ensures that all devices receive the highest quality stream available.

Contact Christopher Burke, [burke@amigos.org](mailto:burke@amigos.org) or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805, for pricing on the Whole Catalog offer or any package from Ambrose Video that may benefit your library.

## DeGruyter, Amigos Partner for Discounts on University Presses E-book Collections

De Gruyter and Amigos have partnered to offer significant discounts on De Gruyter's University Presses E-Book Collections, which includes the frontlist, backlist, and archive collections from:

- [Harvard University Press](#)
- [Princeton University Press](#)
- [University of Pennsylvania Press](#)
- Cornell University Press
- [University of Toronto Press](#)
- [Columbia University Press](#)

All collections are one-time purchases with no DRM and unlimited concurrent usage and printing. Pricing is based on Carnegie classification and the number of libraries that purchase nationwide.

This special pricing is available until June 30, 2016.

For more information, contact Liz Stringer, [stringer@amigos.org](mailto:stringer@amigos.org) or 800-843-8482, ext. 2802.

## Check out These Upcoming Cataloging Courses

"RDA for Copy Catalogers"

May 18-19, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CDT

Early Bird Registration ends April 26! [Register now](#)

Copy catalogers, whether or not your library has implemented RDA, you're encountering more and more RDA records in your daily work. This two-day, live online workshop will help you to recognize and interpret MARC records created using RDA. Among the topics to be covered: FRBR review; new RDA MARC fields; differences between AACR2 and RDA descriptions; access points for persons, families, corporate bodies, works and expressions; relationship designators added to access points; and examples of RDA bibliographic records.

"EAD3: The Basics"

May 31-June 3, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CDT

Early Bird Registration ends May 9! [Register now](#)

The Encoded Archival Description (EAD) is an internationally recognized XML-based standard for encoding archival finding aids. This live online workshop will provide a solid introduction to EAD3.

“Cataloging & Classification Basics”

June 7-9 and 14-16, 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. CDT

Early Bird Registration ends May 16! [Register now](#)

Need a "boot camp" to get started with cataloging? This course is designed to give you the practical, hands-on information needed to succeed in cataloging.

We will cover MARC bibliographic, classification and categorization schemas, basic copy cataloging, and other areas essential to the cataloging department. This course offers an in-depth look at MARC fields (fixed and variable) and subfields used for cataloging. It prepares participants to begin copy cataloging by demonstrating how to interpret bibliographic records and match to items in hand. Topics include terminology, resources, and workflow. Hands-on exercises (at least one per day) provide practice using new skills. Examples and exercises will be based on OCLC-MARC, accessed through the Connexion cataloging interface.

### Upcoming Know & Go Sessions Include FRBR-LRM

Know & Go Updates are one-hour sessions held twice per month on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. These quick snapshot trainings take just an hour of your time but can offer incredibly relevant and timely information. Know & Go sessions are always free to Amigos members!

Upcoming Know & Go topics:

- Getting the Most Out of Amigos Membership
- FRBR-LRM
- Essential Components of a Strategic Plan
- Resources for Teaching Teens (and Adults!) Coding

Check out our complete [Class Schedule](#) including all of our online courses and Know & Go sessions.



Mark your calendar for these upcoming training events from MLA. You can choose to attend one or all three events, depending on what presentation skills you wish to build and enhance.

#### **Webinar: MLA Presentation Academy – Simple Steps to a Great Presentation**

Date: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 Time: 10:00 am

Presenters: Jodie Borgerding and Judy Geczi, Webster University Library

Whether you are a presentation beginner or want to take your current skills up a notch, join Judy Geczi and Jodie Borgerding from Webster University Library as they share tips and techniques for providing effective and successful presentations.

Register: <https://websteru.webex.com/websteru/k2/j.php?MTID=tce38c58b1e32863e9b9224f40941ce87>

#### **Webinar: MLA Presentation Academy – Taking Your Visuals to the Next Level**

Date: Tuesday, August 2, 2016

Time: 10:00 am Presenter: Tiffany Davis

Don't let bad visuals be the demise of your presentation. In this 45-minute webinar we will discuss how good visuals can take your presentation to the next level. We'll explore ways to use PowerPoint, Prezi, infographics, and posters to

enhance your verbal presentation and to successfully make your point. The webinar will examine some of the resources and review best practices.

Register: <https://websteru.webex.com/websteru/k2/j.php?MTID=t2ca2e3b1ae0c7759d9ff1dd8b32fd020>

### **Preconference Workshop: MLA Presentation Academy -- Presentation Boot Camp**

Date: Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Time: to be announced

Location: Ramada Plaza Springfield Hotel and Oasis Convention Center, 2546 N. Glenstone Ave., Springfield

Have you developed a new service at your library that others could learn from? Maybe you have developed a new community or inter-departmental partnership that has blossomed into a unique program? Perhaps you just want to share some techniques for enhancing services to a library population? Almost every librarian has some skill, knowledge, or expertise that others can learn from! If the challenge holding you back is writing a presentation proposal and presenting to your peers or stakeholders, please join us at the 2016 MLA Annual Conference for the Presentation Academy Boot Camp.

The Boot Camp is a four-hour, interactive experience that provide you with tips, tricks and skills for making effective and professional presentations to your colleagues.

At this MLA pre-conference you will

- get experience brainstorming and developing ideas for workshop and conference proposal;
- explore different presentation formats and learn how to determine the best fit for your presentation;
- acquire strategies for writing an engaging proposal that will excite and hook conference planners;
- discuss approaches for developing your presentation once it has been accepted.

Watch for news about signing up for this special MLA Annual Conference pre-conference as conference registration time nears.

## **Scenic Regional Library**

### **LIBRARY BUILDING PLAN UNDERWAY**



Scenic Regional Library is embarking upon a two-year, nearly \$13-million building plan that will replace branch libraries in five communities and significantly expand and renovate two existing facilities. The project does not include plans for Union and Hermann, which are still being developed and will be addressed separately. All the new branches will feature programming rooms that will double as community meeting space, and on-site parking. A forum will be held in each community in the coming months to obtain public input on the design of the new facilities.

Once the entire building project is complete, including branches in Union and Hermann, the library system's overall size will have increased from less than 42,000

square feet to more than 84,000 square feet. On Feb. 6, the Scenic Regional Library Board of Trustees selected project architects JEMA, of St. Louis, and SAPP Design Architecture, of Springfield. John Mueller, managing partner of JEMA, has owned a residence in Rosebud for decades. JEMA has designed public libraries throughout Missouri, notably the Woodneath Library Center in Kansas City for Mid-Continent Public Library and Joplin Public Library. A contract with the firm was approved by the library board at its March 15 meeting.

The architectural firms will partner with Cochran Engineering of Union as the project's civil engineer. Alper Audi, Inc., of St. Louis, are the structural engineers; BRiC Partnership in Kirkwood will serve as consulting engineers. The design and engineering work is expected to be completed and approved by the library board by late 2016.

In 2015, Scenic Regional Library contracted with Bostwick Design Partnership to determine the sizes of the new buildings while remaining within the library's project budget. The square footage estimates were primarily based on the population within a seven- to 10-minute drive of each community.

- In Phase I of the building project, the library plans to break ground in early 2017 on facilities in Wright City, New Haven and Owensville, with completion by fall 2017. In New Haven, the new branch will be built on a 1.5-acre site on Douglas Street. The property was donated to the library by long-time resident Agnes Meyer in June 2015. The current branch is 1,500 square feet; the new facility will be 4,500 square feet.
- The new Wright City branch will be built on a 1.3-acre lot purchased from the Wright City R-II School District in August 2015. The property is on Wildcat Drive, adjacent to the Wright City Elementary School. Currently, the library does not have a facility in Wright City. The new location will be approximately 6,900 square feet and serve as the system's ninth branch. Wright City received a MODOT grant in 2015, which will fund construction of sidewalks connecting the new library with the elementary school.
- The new Owensville branch will be built on a 1-acre site on the corner of Highway 19 and Madison Street. The site, purchased in October 2015, is a portion of the former Owensville Elementary School 3-5 Center property. The current branch is 2,500 square feet; the new facility will be approximately 6,100 square feet.
- Phase II will include expansion of the Warrenton and St. Clair branches and construction of a new facility in Pacific in 2018. The Pacific facility will be on a 1.51-acre lot purchased in December 2015. The current branch is 4,100 square feet; the new facility will be approximately 10,000 square feet.
- A new Sullivan branch will be built on a 1.5-acre lot on Cumberland Way bought in February 2016 from the First Presbyterian Church. The existing branch is 3,000 square feet; the new facility will be at least 9,800 square feet.
- The Warrenton library will be expanded from its 9,000 square feet to about 12,000 square feet on a .5-acre lot the library bought in May 2015.
- The St. Clair branch will be expanded from 4,500 square feet to about 9,100 square feet, and off-street parking will be added on a purchased lot adjacent to the branch.

## State Tech Library Director, Fran Stumpf, retires



State Technical College of Missouri Library Director, Fran Stumpf, retired on May 6, 2016. She was the Director from 2009-2015, when she assumed the role of Assistant Director to allow for a new director to be hired and trained. Fran, known to many of us across Missouri, received her MLS from Wayne State University in Michigan but has spent much of her career in Missouri. She has worked actively in technical services and administration and at several libraries in the St. Louis area, including St. Louis University, Logan University, Maryville University, and St. Charles Community College. Upon leaving the St. Louis area, Fran moved on to MOBIUS, where she provided training to librarians across the state. Until her retirement, Fran has remained active in MOBIUS. She has mostly recently served on the MOBIUS Board as secretary, resigning only upon retiring. In 2009, she joined the staff at State Technical College of Missouri (then known as Linn State Technical College). While at State Tech, Fran has worked to improve the archives, grow the database selections,

incorporate a very popular DVD and audio book collection, and increase library usage. Her knowledge and excellent management skills have created a library that is vibrant and well-used. Fran will be missed as she moves on to life's next adventure but she will never be forgotten.

Christina Prucha, Director of Library Services, State Technical College of Missouri

## State Historical Society of Missouri



### ***Vernacular America and Picturing Politics Exhibitions Showcase American Life***

*Vernacular America in the 1930s and 1940s: The Art of Ben Messick and Fred Shane* celebrates extraordinary images of ordinary Americans from the Depression and World War II years. Messick's interest in expressing the profundity of everyday life had its roots in his humble beginnings in Strafford, Missouri. He found a kindred spirit in Fred Shane, who was born in Kansas City and taught at the University of Missouri. Shane used his wit and a keen observational eye to create works featuring townsfolk in Columbia and other Missouri communities.

From now until June, the Art Gallery at the State Historical Society of Missouri's Columbia headquarters is featuring two major exhibitions exploring American life through the work of Missouri artists.

*Picturing Politics: Political Images by George Caleb Bingham and Thomas Hart Benton* reveals how works by Bingham and Benton contain political messages and commentaries that were often inspired by contemporary issues in Missouri politics. The exhibition marks the return of Bingham's iconic *Watching the Cargo* to Columbia from a national tour, as well as the engravings and lithographs of his Election series and political lithographs by Benton such as *Mr. President*, a portrait of Harry S. Truman. For more details, visit <http://shsmo.org>.



### **Springfield Streetcar Strike of 1916-1917**

Join SHSMO's Erin Smither at 10 a.m. on May 19 for a closer look at the Streetcar Strike of 1916-1917 in Springfield, Missouri. This talk, hosted by Learning Is Fun Together (LIFT), will examine the causes of the strike, the benefits strikers enjoyed due to community support, and the kidnapping and murder that influenced the outcome of the protest. Free and open to the public, this presentation will be held at Wesley United Methodist Church at 413 E. Walnut Street in Springfield.

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**UMKC International Students Day a Major Success**



On April 13<sup>th</sup>, the UMKC University Libraries hosted an International Students Day event celebrating the culture and history of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The event began with a presentation on traditional Saudi music by Andrew Granade, Chair of Composition, Music Theory, and Musicology at the UMKC Conservatory. Afterward, the University's Saudi Student Union organized singing and dancing performances, henna tattooing, Arabic calligraphy, and tons of authentic Saudi food. Over 250 students, staff, faculty, and community members attended the event. One of the great outcomes of this event is the initiative the Saudi Student Union took, requesting that the UMKC admissions office help facilitate the transfer of Saudi students and their scholarships to UMKC from other universities where they are facing

prejudices. These students have expressed feeling that UMKC has an open and inclusive environment.

On April 21<sup>st</sup>, the UMKC University Libraries hosted their fourth event in a series focused on Latino-American history funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The three previous events included a showing of a chapter from the six-part "Latino Americans: 500 Years of History" film series followed by discussion.

This final event highlighted the life and work of Julian Samora, who is considered one of the founding fathers of Latino Studies in the United States, through the Samora Legacy Project Archive housed in Miller Nichols Library's LaBudde Special Collections. Geoff Samora, Julian's son, along with his siblings, Carmen and David, spoke about their experiences as Mexican-American and the important work their father did. Janet Murguía, President of the National Council of La Raza, also attended the event



## Missouri Evergreen News

Missouri Evergreen is pleased to welcome its newest member libraries--Polk County and Pulaski County Libraries! The consortium's membership is now at 29 libraries! De Soto Public Library went live on the Evergreen system February 1, 2016, and Salem Public Library is scheduled to go live in late March. At the beginning of February, Missouri Evergreen had almost 1.5 million items accessible by the membership and consisted of almost 256,000 patrons all over Missouri.

In January, Missouri Evergreen upgraded to version 2.9.1 of the Evergreen software, from version 2.8.2, which added some new features and fixes, a few of which were developed by the MOBIUS Missouri Evergreen staff. Some additions and modifications were made to the Missouri Evergreen website, <http://libraries.missourievergreen.org>, which contains information about the consortium and items of interest to both current and potential member systems.

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.



## Springfield-Greene

### Check Out Our Skulls, Return for the Exhibit!

The Library Center is getting ready for the May 9-June 2 showing of the Smithsonian Institution exhibit, "[Exploring Human Origins: What Does It Mean to Be Human?](#)" and accompanying programs by Smithsonian and Springfield-area university scientists.

The Library is hosting the traveling exhibit through a collaboration of the Smithsonian Institution, American Library Association and the John Templeton Foundation. As part of the grant-funded project, the Smithsonian gave the library district a set of five model skulls representing species between 2.5 million and 4,800 years old. To help promote the upcoming exhibit and enhance classroom teaching, the Springfield-Greene County library district allows the public to check out the models for three weeks at a time.

"These models will be useful to educators, both formal and informal, who want to allow students the experience of comparing traits of each of these five different species of early humans," said Library Center Manager Jessie East. "The resources section of the Library's Exploring Human Origins page includes a link to the Smithsonian's lesson plan for using the skulls in a comparative analysis exercise."



"Model sets of this caliber are quite expensive and are not readily available to most educators. They will also be useful to our Youth Services librarians who want to add a level of creepy to their Halloween storytimes, our catalogers who can now brag that they have cataloged skulls, and our administrative staff who can now boast that you can check out a box of skulls at the Library."

## Brian Grubbs Named 2016 Mover & Shaker



Calling him a “Model Digitizer,” Library Journal named Local History and Genealogy Department Manager Brian Grubbs a 2016 Mover & Shaker in its [March 15 issue](#). The national trade magazine named 54 outstanding professionals for their commitment to providing excellent service and shaping the future of libraries. Brian was noted among the “Educators” category.

Brian’s first role with the Library was working on developing the digitized collection documenting the Civil War in the Ozarks. That project became the award-winning “Community & Conflict: The Impact of the Civil War in the Ozarks,” <http://www.ozarkscivilwar.org/>. Brian and his team of collaborators followed with the Trans-Mississippi Theater Virtual Museum, and, most recently “Over There: Missouri & the Great War.”

## Brentwood Branch Readies for Re-do and Campaign Topper

The Brentwood Branch got a big hand from the small hands of Mandrihanna Plante to add a new book to the ReNew Brentwood book tower on Wednesday, March 16. She passed it to Circulation Manager Joey Borovicka, who placed it in the tower to mark the \$300,000 Titus Foundation grant.



With only \$77,000 more to raise in the \$2.5 million capital campaign to renovate the branch later this year, the branch celebrated on Saturday, April 23 with a furniture rummage sale, open house to write farewell messages on the walls and an evening Hard Hats & Highballs Foundation fundraiser for adults. A temporary site will open Tuesday, May 3, several blocks farther south in the Brentwood Center retail strip.



## Library Steps Up for English Language Learners

Library staff put out the welcome mat on Friday, March 18, at the Library Center for families in the public schools’ English Language Learners



program, or ELL. It was hosted by Springfield Public Schools. “This was an event for immigrant families to learn about school technology initiatives,” said youth Services Coordinator Nancee Dahms-Stinson. “After working closely with us at previous events, school ELL program coordinators chose to host the event at TLC and invited us to participate.”



Almost 160 individuals speaking Arabic, Chinese, Burmese, Spanish, Vietnamese and Russian filled the auditorium. Many parents wanted to know how to stream movies and music, use Tumblebooks and other

library resources. Library staff kept some 40 children busy and happy with games and reading books aloud. One librarian noted that after completing patron records for the people who registered for library cards, one family used its new card to check out five items that night; another returned the next day and checked out children's materials.

## SLCL Provides Library Cards to Newborns Through Expanded Born to Read Program



Every baby born in St. Louis County will now receive a St. Louis County Library card, thanks to the Born to Read program. Born to Read provides new parents at area hospitals with a bag containing a book, a toy, information about infant development and a library card. Parents also receive an invitation to celebrate their child's first birthday at the library, where they will receive another free book. Support from the Cardinals Care, Aetna and Great Southern Bank has allowed SLCL to expand the program to include 17 area hospitals and clinics.

Participating hospitals include: St. Anthony's Medical Center, SSM DePaul Health Center, St. Clare Health Center, Missouri Baptist Medical Center, SSM St. Mary's Health Center, St. Luke's and Mercy clinics.

"Studies show that when children start behind, they stay behind," said library Director Kristen Sorth. "The goal of Born to Read is to foster a love of reading starting at birth and to emphasize the importance of reading to children of even the youngest age."

Children who are exposed to language and reading at an early age have a better chance of succeeding in school and beyond. Born to Read gives children a head start on developing crucial literacy skills, while introducing parents to the wealth of resources available at their local library.

The Born to Read program was launched in 2015 with support from the St. Louis County Library Foundation. Over 15,000 families are expected to receive a Born to Read bag in 2016.

SLCL offers a variety of tools for parents to engage their young children in learning, including kindergarten readiness programs, story time, and Family Literacy Involvement Program, or FLIP, kits. More information about early literacy resources at SLCL can be found at [www.slcl.org/early-literacy](http://www.slcl.org/early-literacy).

To learn more about Born to Read please contact Jennifer McBride, Communications Manager, at 314-994-3300.

# Missouri Library Association Board

January 29, 2016

## *Approved (2016.04.15) Summary of Action Items and Minutes*

### Summary of Action Items:

- 1) Motion to approve amended minutes for November 13, 2015 made and seconded; Vote: STL 4, KC 2, MC 1, SJ 1, SPG 1; Motion approved 9 to 0.
- 2) Suggestion made to add a handbook policy that the MLA Executive Board reserves the right to review and to approve requests for support or endorsement; no official motion was made. As this is a handbook issue, Jodie will wordsmith and return it to the MLA Board for further discussion and later vote for inclusion.
- 3) No further discussion; but consensus that MLA would not approach KLA in regards to a joint conference in the upcoming 4-5 years.
- 4) Motion to ask Bylaws & Handbook Committee to come up with a process of Handbook review on an annual basis with a goal of a process proposed at the April meeting. STL 4, MC 1, Spg 1, KC 2, SJ 1; motion approved 9 to 0. Jodie will contact Alice Ruleman of the Bylaws and Handbook Committee.
- 5) Motion to approve the organizational chart to replace that currently in the Handbook. STL 3 MC 1, Spg 1, KC 2, SJ 1; motion approved 8 to 0 (one voting member out of the room).
- 6) Motion to approve the new committees New Leader Orientation and Presentation Academy ad hoc committees. STL 4, MC 1, Spg 1, KC 2, SJ 1; motion approved 9 to 0.
- 7) No official motion was made. Christina will continue to work with MPLD and MASL and will investigate creating a shared project Facebook page to tie to the GoFundMe crowdsourcing appeal.
- 8) Motion to approve the November 2015 Income Statement. STL 4, MC 1, Spg 1, KC 2, SJ 1; motion approved 9 to 0.
- 9) Motion to enter results of the 2015-09-15 Teleconference in the January minutes made and seconded; approval by unanimous consent.
- 10) Motion to record corrections/adjustments to the 2015-09-29 Executive Board minutes in the 2015-01-29 minutes made and seconded; approval by unanimous consent.
- 11) Motion to record the results of interim business in the 2015-01-29 minutes made and seconded; approval by unanimous consent.
- 12) Motion to approve the addition of the Outstanding Professional Librarian Award and the Community Partnership Award in 2017: STL 4, MC 1, Spg 1, KC 2, SJ 1; motion approved 9 to 0.
- 13) Motion made to strike phrase “during a meeting at the Annual Conference” from Handbook 3.6.1; seconded; STL 4, KC 2, MC 1, St. J 1, Spg. 1; motion approved 9 to 0.
- 14) Motion made to add “CHECKED” to 3.6.3.2 so that it reads “CI Bylaws must be reviewed and approved by

the CIC officers, CHECKED, and filed with MLA Bylaws & Handbook committee...”; seconded; STL 4, KC 2, MC 1, St. J 1, Spg. 1; motion approved 9 to 0.

- 15) As there was no objection to leaving the wording vague and providing the Awards Committee the possibility of naming a posthumous candidate/recipient, the Handbook will be left as is.

Respectfully Submitted,



Katy Smith, Recording Secretary and Member at Large



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