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President's Message

It's that time of year again!

Hurry, hurry, hurry! Too much to do! School is starting!

And it is time to be thinking about the Annual Conference in St. Louis' Westport Chalet on October 4-6. There are good things happening at the conference with excellent speakers and fun activities. The Annual Conference is one of our most important events of the year, and it is where you meet people and start networking. It is amazing to have the opportunity to learn from each other.

The Strategic Planning Committee is analyzing the results from the recent member survey. Thank you for your time in filling it out! According to responses, the most important thing that MLA provides is advocacy and support of its members and their libraries. However, "professional development" and "networking" were nearly tied for second place as the most important thing that the association provides. Guess what? You can do both of those things at the Missouri Library Conference in October!



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By the end of the year, the Board will propose a strategic plan to MLA members. As far as we can tell, the association has never had a strategic plan. We are hoping that this gives us some stability as the Board turns over each year. We would like to increase membership, engage members around the work of the association, and find new opportunities of value for your membership dollar.

My last announcement concerns Library Snapshot Day, which will be held on September 12 and 13. More information will be coming from the Marketing Committee, but the dates are final. This is a meaningful advocacy activity that demonstrates the importance of libraries to state and federal legislatures. Remember that you can invite your local House and Senate representatives to your library for storytime! It's a great photo moment that could land both of you in the local newspaper!



Bridging the Gap
MLA Annual Conference 2017
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Award Winners for upcoming MLA Conference

The Outstanding Library Employee Award recognizes a library employee who has made a significant contribution to the improvement and advancement of library and information services. Nominees must have one full year of library service in Missouri prior to their nomination and at least five years' experience in the library profession. Nominees shall not be holders of the MLS degree, but must have demonstrated creativity and inventiveness in their achievements. The Outstanding Library Employee Award goes to Janice Butcher. Janice is the Assistant Librarian at the De Soto Public Library in De Soto, Missouri. Originally, from Central Kansas, she attended Kansas State University and arrived in Eastern Missouri two decades ago. In 2007, she accepted a position with the De Soto Public Library, following her lifelong passion for books.

The Ronald G. Bohley Award is administered by the Awards Committee and Amigos. The Ronald G. Bohley Award is presented jointly by MLA and Amigos to an individual or individuals whose actions have led libraries to work better together and who exemplify the best efforts to reach out beyond his or her own institution to further multi-type library cooperation throughout the State of Missouri. This year's winner is Dr. Genie McKee. Dr. McKee spent her nearly 41-year career at Maryville University in St. Louis. She retired at the end of May 2017 as a professor and Dean of the University Library. She was Library Director for 24 years and named Dean for the last 10 years. Through the years, McKee was a strong proponent of new technologies to access information and developed innovative learning spaces for students. During her tenure, she served in leadership positions on the following library boards: Missouri Library Network Corporation (9 years), MOBIUS Executive Committee (5 years) and the Kirkwood (MO) Public Library Board of Trustees (6 years). McKee taught many future librarians as an adjunct professor in the University of Missouri Library School graduate program (5 years) and in the library certification programs at Maryville (5 years) and the University College at Washington University (2 years). She started the all-campus read program, Maryville Reads, and served as its Chair for 10 years. She continues to serve on the Maryville Talks Books Committee, which started in 2009 with Left Bank Books, and is often the host to nationally recognized authors.

The Outstanding Professional Librarian Award recognizes a librarian with an MLS or MLIS degree who has made a significant contribution to the improvement and advancement of library and information services. Steve Campbell, this year's recipient, earned his Master's degree in Library and Information Science at the University of Missouri in Columbia. He began his professional career as a branch manager with Mid-Continent Public Library for eight years. Mr. Campbell served as director at the North Kansas City Public Library between 2007 and 2012. He has worked as director of Scenic Regional Library for the past five years. During his time at Scenic Regional, the library passed its first tax levy increase in 55 years in April 2014. The library established a foundation, which also serves as an umbrella organization for Friends of the Library groups at each branch. In June 2015, the three county libraries, which comprised the system, were combined into a single consolidated district. Scenic Regional annexed the Sullivan Municipal Library and was selected as the Missouri Library Association's Library of the Year in October 2015. In August 2017, the library began construction on a \$20 million building project that will replace six new buildings, expand, and renovate two others, doubling the overall square footage of the system. Mr. Campbell has also been chair of the rapidly growing Missouri Evergreen consortium since June 2016.

The Meritorious Achievement Award recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to libraries in Missouri. The winner of the Award for 2017 is Barbara Reading. A lifelong Missourian, Reading realized in high school that she wanted to become a librarian. She received a Bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a Masters in Library Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her career includes eighteen years working for a regional public library in mid-Missouri. Reading began work with the Missouri State Library as the youth services consultant in 1993, then became Director of Library Development in 1996. She was appointed to the position of State Librarian in 2013, retiring in July 2017.

The Outstanding New Librarian Award recognizes a librarian who has made a significant contribution to the improvement and advancement of library and information services. Grace Atkins, the Outreach & OER Librarian for the University of Missouri Libraries, has been chosen for this year. She received her Master of Science in Information Studies from the University of Texas at Austin School of Information in May 2015. At the iSchool, she specialized in Academic Libraries and Digital Libraries. She entered into the position of User Engagement Librarian at the University of Missouri in August 2015, and worked to improve the user experience in Ellis Library. Over the two-year period she has been at Mizzou, her role has evolved into outreach for all nine libraries on campus. This past year, Grace has focused on outreach, communication, and marketing to reach library users. She worked with the marketing and social media teams, and collaborated on creating a library newshub, which provides a way for library staff and users to share information about updates on services, collections, staff, workshops, and other events. As the liaison for student outreach, she established a University Libraries Student Advisory Council, which has greatly improved communication between library administration and student leaders. In Spring 2017, she partnered with MU's Student Affairs office to pass a student fee in which a portion of the funding goes toward student-focused library services, such as keeping the main library open 24 hours a day, 5 days a week. Grace is also a campus coordinator for a UM system's Open Educational Resources (OER) initiative, which is working to create a more equi-

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table learning environment for students by significantly reducing the cost of textbooks and other course materials. As a new MOBIUS system leader for the Open Textbook Network, she will be providing training to librarians throughout the consortia on how to use the Open Textbook Library.

The Public Relations Achievement Award recognizes a Missouri library for outstanding public relations during the previous year. This year's winner is the Mid-Continent Public Library. On November 8, 2016, voters across the Mid-Continent Public Library district, which encompasses three counties in the greater Kansas City metropolitan area, approved an increase to the Library's funding for the first time in over three decades. In the months leading up to this outcome, MCPL's Marketing and Communications team played a pivotal role in organizing and executing a public information campaign that was crucial to voter education on the Library's ballot initiative. During the course of the campaign, the Library's marketing team took a multi-phased, multimedia approach to inform residents of the impending ballot initiative. In June 2016, the Library's Board of Trustees approved the decision to place a request for an eight-cent increase to MCPL's property tax levy before the voters. The initiative was dubbed "Proposition L," and the Marketing team began to map out a course of action for an educational campaign that would include public meetings, media relations, informational emails, targeted social media posts, printed flyers and bookmarks, advertisements, and digital in-branch signage. Each piece of the campaign served a specific purpose, but was designed with the same goal: to inform voters of Proposition L and what the future of the Library would look like if Prop L passed or failed. The messages were clear and concise—"a yes vote means" versus "a no vote means." In addition, each tactic gave statistics on the growth of the Library District, the Library's impact on the community, as well as Prop L's cost to residents, through easy-to-understand charts and statistics. More than 1,000 public meetings were held across the Library's district in which MCPL leadership spoke with residents about the Library's plans for the future and how Prop L played into those. They also gathered feedback from attendees about what they wanted for their library. On social media, the Library used boosted posts to get the word out about Prop L and keep followers updated on the campaign. In total, MCPL's Prop L-related posts reached nearly 230,000 people and garnered over 12,000 likes and comments. The public relations efforts driven by MCPL's marketing team were a crucial part of the Library's levy campaign and helped achieve the goal of educating voters on the issue of Prop L and its potential effects. With the additional funding from the passage of Prop L, the Library will now be able to grow and enhance its services as well as make much-needed improvements to its aging facilities.

The Community Partnership Award, created in 2017, recognizes a Missouri library and one or more community organizations for developing a partnership that benefits members of their shared community. St. Louis County Library (SLCL), this year's recipient, works with numerous partners to further its reach in the St. Louis community. One of SLCL's strongest and most frequent partners is Operation Food Search (OFS). OFS is a local non-profit organization with a mission to end hunger in the greater St. Louis area. The organization fulfills this mission by working with over 300 community partners each month to distribute more than three million dollars' worth of food, which in turn feeds more than 200,000 people. Additionally, OFS has a host of nutrition education programs available for people to learn about shopping for and preparing healthy meals for their families. SLCL is fortunate to partner with OFS on a number of valuable and innovative endeavors that positively impact thousands of people in the community. In 2014, SLCL and OFS started a program to help the children of low-income families in the community. In the St. Louis area, many children rely on the free or reduced lunches available to them during the school year. When summer starts, parents worry that they will not be able to feed their children. To combat this concern, SLCL and OFS created the Summer Lunch program, which supplies lunches for children Monday through Friday during the summer months. The program not only gives children nutritious lunches, but SLCL staff also provides educational activities for children during and after the lunch. The program has grown throughout the years and last summer was offered at six different SLCL branches. SLCL set a new record and served 12,513 meals over the course of the summer in 2016. Since starting in 2014, SLCL has served over 25,000 meals to children. The Summer Lunch program was selected for the Top Innovator Award in the Health, Wellness and Public Safety category from the Urban Libraries Council in 2015.

This summer, SLCL and OFS are continuing this successful program and expanding it to seven SLCL branches. Additionally, the Operation Backpack program is an exciting new enhancement to the lunch program. Every Thursday, families attending the Summer Lunch Program will be given a backpack full of nutritious, easy-to-prepare meals for the weekend. OFS offers this same program throughout the school year at 10 school districts in the St. Louis area. With the addition of Operation Backpack to the lunch program, OFS and SLCL will help ensure that no child goes hungry throughout the course of the summer.

The organizations also work together on two food drives that take place annually at every SLCL branch. For the last nine years, they have collaborated on the annual food drive called Food for Fines. This popular food drive occurs during National Library Week in April. During this food drive, SLCL collects canned foods from patrons in exchange for payment for overdue fines. Patrons can waive up to ten dollars in fines from their accounts, and each can is equal to one dollar in overdue fines. Since starting this food drive in 2009, 266,847 pounds of food have been donated. In 2017 alone, 17,779 pounds of food were donated, which could feed 4,444 people for one day. The other annual drive is the Holiday Food Drive, which takes place at all SLCL branches

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every November through December. In 2016, this food drive collected 1,734 pounds of food, and since 2010, the drive has collected a total of 36,302 pounds of food for Operation Food Search.

OFS is also a contributor to the SLCL program series Choice: Healthy Living for Seniors. The Choice program series has been held at the Library since 2013 in conjunction with Mid-East Area Agency on Aging (MEAAA). Each week at five different SLCL branches, seniors explore relevant topics of interest such as healthy eating, scam prevention, yoga, and retirement. OFS has helped this series by presenting a program called Cooking Matters at the Store. At this program, participants can practice food-shopping skills in a mock grocery store tour. Attendees receive a participant guide with shopping tips, healthy affordable recipes, and a reusable grocery bag.

Register Today!

MLA Academy 2017: Grant Writing

Grant writing can be an overwhelming task, especially if you are new to it or wear many hats in your library. If you're curious about the process of grant writing, whether it be where to look for grants, how to write a good application, how to manage a grant effectively, or what to know about grant reporting, this workshop is for you. In this four hour MLA pre-conference session, presenters Emma DeLooze-Klein (Kirkwood Public Library), Roxanne Dunn (Southeast Missouri State University), Shay Young (Missouri State Library), and Rebecca Maddox (Mid-Continent Public Library) will lead you through grant writing using discussion and practice. In addition to the session, participants are invited to bring actual grants they are writing if they would like feedback. The session is open to all library employees interested in the grant writing process. Register today at <http://mla2017conference.ezregister.com/>.

Wednesday, October 4, 2017 8 am – noon

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Youth Services Community of Interest (YSCI) Updates

Authors Kevan Atteberry and Shanna Swendson at MLA Conference

The Youth Services Community of Interest (YSCI) is happy to announce that authors Kevan Atteberry and Shanna Swendson will be at this year's MLA Conference.

Author and illustrator Kevan Atteberry will be speaking at the Thusnelda Schmidt Luncheon on Thursday, October 5. Kevan's book *Bunnies!!!* was the Missouri Building Block Picture Book Award Winner for 2016. The book follows the story of Monster, who is trying to find the thing he loves best – bunnies! Kevan's newest book, *I Love You More Than the Smell of Swamp Gas*, comes out on September 5. Please join us at the Thusnelda Schmidt Luncheon as Kevan Atteberry accepts the Building Block Award and gives a talk.

Author Shanna Swendson will be speaking at the YA Author Breakfast on Friday, October 6. Shanna has written the popular steampunk *Rebel Mechanics* series for teens and the magical romance *Enchanted, Inc.* series for teens and adults. *Rebel Mechanics*, set in 1888 New York, is the story of a girl working as a spy against British magisters and is a 2017-2018 Truman Readers Award nominee. Please join us as Shanna Swendson gives the talk at the YA Author Breakfast.

Visit the MLA convention registration page for more information, including times and pricing.

Congratulations Tomoe Urano, Recipient of the TSCI Call-to-Conference Award!

The Technical Services Community of Interest (TSCI) would like to recognize the first recipient of the newly established TSCI Call-to-Conference Award – congratulations Tomoe Urano!

Applicants were asked to describe a challenge they have encountered related to the field of technical services and propose a possible solution or method to address the challenge. Tomoe detailed a challenge related to maintaining records:

The Finance department and the Collection Management department each have their own financial records. We realized there was a large discrepancy in our spending between both departments. Our goal was to create an audit process that examines the financial records for materials purchased that Finance keeps and compare those to the financial records that Collection Management keeps in our ILS (SirsiDynix Workflows). My supervisor and I met with staff in the Finance department to learn what information and delivery methods are and are not acceptable. We also created a variety of Sirsi Reports to see what kind of Excel format would be most beneficial to us in keeping record of our invoices. I plan to meet with the Finance department at least once a month to compare our budgets and ensure that the discrepancy in our budgets is identified early and often. We had to keep efficiency, accuracy, and time management in mind while creating this process.

Tomoe Urano currently works at the Downtown Kansas City Public Library as a Materials Receiver. She also volunteers at the Spencer Art Reference Library at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. She earned her MLS from Emporia State University in 2015. Her main hobbies are eating too much good food and learning the art of keeping her plants alive. Please note the plants in the photo are not hers.

Liz Pfeiffer
2017 TSCI Chair
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Tomoe Urano,
Kansas City Public Library

2017 Ronald Bohley Scholarship Recipient Announced

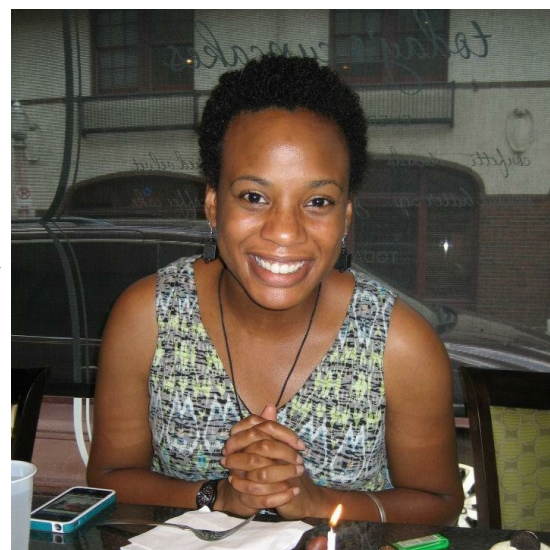
The Professionalism, Education, Employment, and Recruitment (PEER) Community of Interest is pleased to announce that Kellie Willis (St. Louis Public Library) has been chosen as the 2017 recipient of the Ronald G. Bohley Scholarship.

Kellie Willis is a native of St. Louis, MO and is the Regional Youth Services Specialist at the Carpenter Branch of the St. Louis Public Library. This fall Kellie begins the LIS program at Mizzou where she intends to focus on Library Services to children and their parents. She loves when the kids at her branch call her the "Library Lady"! A proud AmeriCorps alum, Kellie's interests include the ways that Libraries are actively working for more just communities. #critlib

She is incredibly honored to be the 2017 Bohley Scholarship recipient.

The Professionalism, Education, Employment, and Recruitment Community of Interest congratulates Kellie on all of her accomplishments and wishes her the best for the future.

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Kellie Willis, St. Louis Public Library

Featured Library Employee

Lisa McEowen, Missouri State University

Meet our featured library employee for this issue of *MO Info*, Lisa McEowen!

1. What is your name, your library, and your role at the library?

Lisa “Leeza” McEowen; Duane G. Meyer Library, Missouri State University; Library Associate III, Special Collections and Archives

2. Why did you become a library employee?

I worked in Cataloging as a student assistant for several years during college. During that time, I appreciated the vast array of subjects represented in the various collections and have always enjoyed connecting people with things they know they are interested in as well as introducing them to potential new interests.

3. What keeps you coming back every day?

The environment, both in the Library and the University – lifelong learning is supported and encouraged.

4. What’s challenging about your work?

The challenging aspects of my work over 22 years are changing technologies and new ways of delivering information, which are challenges I enthusiastically accept.

5. Has your work made you either curious, or passionate, or awestruck about something?

Hmmm... these are three words that describe how I personally encounter the world on a regular basis, so the job wraps into that nicely.

6. Who is one of your mentors?

One of my many mentors is Marilyn McCroskey, the Cataloging Department Head; she presented a solid foundation for my learning and growth in the field, and continues to keep in touch and support me.

7. What book, author, artist, show, or music are you engaging with this week, either personally or professionally? Persuade us in one or two sentences that we should pick this up, too.

I’m a huge fan of foreign crime dramas, so I have just finished *Shetland* (set in the Shetland Islands of Scotland and based on the *Shetland* novels by Ann Cleeves) and *Hotel Beau Séjour* (a Belgian supernatural crime series). Presently, I am a couple of episodes into the Finnish crime series *Bordertown*, about a detective inspector who moves his wife, a recent cancer survivor, and daughter to a small town in hopes of a slower pace of life—not to be had. All these series are currently available for streaming on Netflix.

8. Is there anything else you’d like to share with us?

Jake Burger, one of my favorite Missouri State University baseball players, was the 11th pick in the first round of the Major League Baseball Draft this week - Love My Missouri State University Baseball Bears!



Would you like to be featured in a future issue, or would you like to nominate someone else? Submit name(s) and contact information (preferably email), along with place of employment, to Shannon Mawhiney at smawhiney@missouristate.edu.

Julie Jackson Receives 2017 Show Me Youth Services Award

The Youth Services Community of Interest (YSCI) would like to congratulate Julie Jackson, Youth Services Supervisor for St Charles City-County Library, as the 2017 Show Me Youth Services Award recipient. The Show Me Youth Services Award is sponsored by YSCI and recognizes a library employee, Friend, or Trustee who serves and/or advocates for children or young adults and who demonstrates notable and outstanding performance in planning, developing, and promoting programs, services, collections, reading activities OR advocating for children and/or teenagers in their libraries and communities.

Julie Jackson has been working in Missouri libraries since January 2003 and got her degree from Mizzou in December 2006. She was a library assistant in the Children's Room at Kirkwood Public Library from January 2003 to June 2007. She then became a Regional Youth Services Librarian at St. Louis Public Library, Carpenter Branch from July 2007 to July 2008. She has worked at St. Charles City County Library since July 2008, starting at the Deer Run branch and most recently as the Youth Services Manager at the Kathryn Linnemann branch. Julie served on the Caldecott Committee for the 2006 Award year. She has also been on the Missouri Building Block Committee almost every year since 2009, even serving as the chair of that committee one year.

During her time in library services, Julie has reached countless lives through her programming and collaboration with others. Currently at St. Charles City County Library she is a driving force behind the "Grow Your Reader" early literacy initiative, she manages the early literacy calendars that patrons look to each month to find daily early literacy activities for their families, and this summer she will pilot a Lunch@the Library food program for neighborhood children in the branch, all in addition to the numerous outreach events she attends and the programs she implements at her branch.

Julie's coworkers say that she always has a smile on her face and a positive attitude, and is always willing to help out wherever it is needed. She is always there to answer questions and bounce ideas off of. Her dedication and excitement about children's services in Missouri is infectious.

YSCI is thrilled to offer this award to Julie Jackson and wishes to thank all of our applicants. We applaud the inspiring work you do on behalf of Missouri's youth!

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School of Information Science & Learning Technologies Summer Update

Professor Sarah Buchanan hits the ground running

Sarah Buchanan, SISLT's newest faculty member, is contributing to her new SISLT and Missouri communities. In February 2017, she was elected as Faculty Representative and Board Member of MU Voz Latina, which promotes and supports the Hispanic/Latinx community across the Columbia campus. Among other activities, she helps lead monthly Spanish-language storytimes at the Columbia Public Library.



Spanish Storytime at Columbia Public Library with MU Voz Latina Vice President Elizabeth Hoyos, June 17, 2017



Dr. Buchanan (SISLT), Carrie Schwier (Indiana), Erin Voisin (Louisiana State), and Jennifer Walker (SISLT Student) speaking at the Society of American Archivists conference in Portland, OR, July

She also served as a National History Day in Missouri (NDHMO) Judge in April. Two of Missouri's state winners won gold medals at the 2017 national contest held in June in Maryland, and gave encore presentations at the Truman Presidential Library on July 20.

In July, Dr. Buchanan presented on the work of archival educator Aurora Davis and on inclusivity in archives at the Society of American Archivists conference. She also discussed curating archaeological collections at the Archival Education & Research Institute. She is teaching Archival Practice this fall, Archival Appraisal & Systems in spring, and Records & Information Management in 2018.

Dr. Buchanan is spearheading work for the 50th anniversary of the LIS Program, which coincides with the 20th anniversary of SISLT and the 150th anniversary of the College of Education at MU. She invites alumni and friends to share their perspectives and photos at the following web site: <http://www.bit.ly/150education>.

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ISLT 9445 Special Libraries and Information Centers tours the St. Louis area

Karen Robinson and her Special Libraries & Information Centers class spent the months of June and July visiting some of St. Louis' most interesting locations, from the Bones & Models room at Local University's College of Chiropractic Learning Resources Center to the Archives of the St. Louis Archdiocese. They capped it off with a cruise-themed trivia contest to review the special libraries visited and content learned during the course.



Karen Robinson and her students at Thompson Coburn LLP's Thomas F. Eagleton Law Library. Thompson Coburn has over 250 lawyers working at its St. Louis location.



Students posing outside the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. The Research Division of the St. Louis Fed makes a great deal of economic data available for free to the public.

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Karen Robinson and her students salute you from the archives of Enterprise Holdings. The founder of Enterprise Rent-A-Car names the company after the U.S.S. Enterprise aircraft carrier.



Karen and class pose before Busch Stadium prior to visiting the St. Louis Cardinals Hall of Fame & Museum. The Museum has the very latest in digital technology and works with historical photos and documents from the past century.

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The class visits the Bones & Models room at Logan University's Chiropractic Learning Resources Center. These pieces are loaned out to chiropractic students for research during the school year.



Karen's class shows off their straight teeth at the American Association of Orthodontists Library. The AAO sponsors orthodontic research to help its members provide better orthodontic treatments to patients.

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Professor Heather Moulaison Sandy Visits the National Library of Naples

By Heather Moulaison Sandy

This past summer, I had the good fortune to visit Naples, Italy. As part of my trip, I had the honor of visiting the *Biblioteca Nazionale di Napoli* (the National Library of Naples, <http://www.bnnonline.it/>) and being shown around by Lucia Marinelli, one of the librarians. This national library is located within the former Royal Place overlooking the Thyrrhenian Sea (part of the Mediterranean Sea). The library's reading room is the former ballroom of the palace, in a fittingly ornate room (see Figure 1).



Figure 1: The National Library of Naples's reading room.

The library itself is huge, with two million volumes, many of them quite unique and having been donated over the years by royal and religious donors. One example of a unique piece is an enormous globe made in Venice for the Doge (the higher magistrate of the Republic of Venice) in 1688 that shows California disconnected from what would become the rest of the continental United States (see Figure 2).



Figure 2: 1688 standing globe with California separated from North America.

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The library features some really incredible collections, from the papyrus dating from Roman times (i.e., the *Herculaneum papyri*) to the music and theater collection with manuscripts of librettos by the likes of Bellini and others. For me, the most memorable of the special collections was housed in what was affectionately termed the Africa rooms, which Fabrizio Diozzi, librarian, graciously showed me. At the beginning of the 20th century, Duchess Maria Elena D'Aosta neé Orleans, a self-trained ethnographer, spent considerable time in Africa, meeting the people, going on safari, and scrupulously documenting her travels and experiences. That collection, located in a series of rooms inside the palace, includes striking trophies from the safaris, photos of her journeys, and artifacts collected while abroad (see Figure 3).



Figure 3: Trophies and photos from the collection based on Duchess Maria Elena D'Aosta neé Orleans's travels in the Africa rooms.

After visiting the Africa rooms, meeting such fantastic colleagues, and touring such an inspiring space, I left with a resolve to travel a little more fearlessly, to document my adventures more carefully, and to share what I could – hence this short piece. I hope you'll be inspired as well!

Acknowledgement

I'd also like to thank my host, Lucia Marinelli, for providing me with a number of details in support of this piece after my return from Italy, and for her encouragement to share my experiences with colleagues in Missouri. Naturally, any errors are ultimately my own.

MOBIUS Updates

New MOBIUS Statistical Databases

MOBIUS IT Manager Petar Datsov has been hard at work creating a new series of statistics databases for member libraries so that they can more easily calculate the value of their MOBIUS membership. A database for courier statistics, including information on the number of bags moving to and from libraries and average transit times, is now available at <https://mobiusconsortium.org/mcs-display>.

Additionally, MOBIUS members have access to multiple years of cost avoidance data for their e-resources subscriptions through a new e-resources cost/savings database. This database is customized for each MOBIUS member library and due to its proprietary information, is not available to the public. We are also working on a new database for lending and borrowing statistics, so stay tuned!

New Cluster Names

Two pairs of MOBIUS clusters are joining forces and changing names to reflect their new combined status. The Kansas City and Towers clusters merged to become KC-Towers in late August, and the Lance and Quest clusters will merge to become the Avalon cluster in late September/early October.

OverDrive for Academic Libraries

Several MOBIUS academic libraries have signed up to participate in an OverDrive shared consortia collection. The shared collection provides an opportunity for members to pull financial resources and work together to develop a collection that will grow over time from the extensive selection of eBooks and audiobooks available in the Overdrive Marketplace. The libraries will be working closely with Overdrive and MOBIUS over the next several weeks on collection development, creating the MOBIUS Overdrive portal, and staff training. For more information, contact Christina Virden at mchristina@mobiusconsortium.org.

Missouri Evergreen News

Missouri Evergreen is excited to have Texas County Library, Trails Regional Library, and Livingston County Library live on the system, all of which migrated this summer! Migration work is underway for Douglas County Library, which will go live on Evergreen in mid-October.

Missouri Evergreen, with its 37 member systems and over 80 branch locations, now contains over 2.2 million items, over 1.1 million bibliographic records, and over 470,000 patrons.

A panel of Missouri Evergreen members will be hosting a session at this year's Missouri Library Association Annual Conference! The panel discussion will be a time for people who are interested in more information about the consortium and resource-sharing, as well as current Missouri Evergreen members, to ask questions, have discussion, and share best practices. The session will take place on Friday, October 6, from 10:00-10:45 a.m. in Alpine 2. Missouri Evergreen will also have an in-person membership meeting at MLA, at which visitors are welcome.

The Missouri Evergreen website, <http://libraries.missourievergreen.org>, contains more information about the consortium, including member libraries, steps to join, past meeting information, 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.



Learn About Library Privacy and Security – Registration is Open for Online Conference

The schedule is set and registration is open for *Privacy and Security for Today's Library*, our Thursday, September 21, online conference.

Dr. Steve Albrecht, author of, [Library Security: Better Communication, Safer Facilities](#), will kick off the conference with his opening keynote presentation, "**Assessing Library Facility Security: Think Like a Security Consultant.**"

In this session, he will explore the use of a structured assessment process where librarians can create a report that will help to make their building, staff, and patrons safer.

During the day, learn from a variety of peers and experts - each time slot offers three different programming options. We will end the day with **Deborah Caldwell-Stone** and **Mike Robinson's** talk, "**Navigating the Changing Landscape of Library Privacy,**" which will make you think about contemporary patron privacy issues facing libraries today, and the practical actions libraries can take to improve patron privacy protections.

Caldwell-Stone is Deputy Director of the American Library Association's (ALA) Office for Intellectual Freedom and the Freedom to Read Foundation and Robinson is past Chair of the ALA's Intellectual Freedom Privacy Subcommittee and Head of Systems at the Consortium Library at the University of Alaska-Anchorage. Both have extensive experience in the field.

Don't forget, as a benefit of Amigos Library Services membership, attendance is **FREE** at all online conferences!

For information on all the conference sessions and registration, please visit the [conference website](#).

SAVE THE DATE! Amigos Library Services Online Conference, *Innovating with Metadata*

Today's metadata is not yesterday's cataloging. Libraries all over the world are doing amazing things with all kinds of metadata from many sources. Join us on **Thursday, November 9**, for the next Amigos online conference, *Innovating with Metadata*.

Don't forget, as a benefit of Amigos Library Services membership, attendance is **FREE** at all online conferences!

Watch Amigos Now, Facebook, Twitter, and the [conference website](#) for updates.

Springshare Makes Your Life Easier

Springshare, the makers of LibGuides, has many outstanding products that support librarians and patrons. Click [here](#) to see the different options they offer that will increase your library's usage and make your life easier!

For pricing and trial information, contact Megan Bryant at bryant@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2896.

Bloomsbury Launches New Collection

The [Bloomsbury Design Library](#) is an unparalleled resource for anyone working across the broad field of design and craft studies, offering searchable access to carefully-curated and dynamic text and images.

At launch, Bloomsbury Design Library will include:

- The three-volume Bloomsbury Encyclopedia of Design of over 1,700 authoritative articles by leading international scholars

- An interactive timeline to browse the history of design from pre-history to the present day

- The definitive, two-volume World History of Design written by eminent design historian, Victor Margolin

- Over 60 eBooks in design and craft studies by leading scholars including Glenn Adamson, Tony Fry, and John Heskett

Amigos members who sign up for a free trial before **October 31** will receive additional discount pricing.

For more information, contact Ashley Brizuela at brizuela@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Amigos Member Shares at Savannah Community Forum

Mid-Continent Public Library (MCPL) and two other libraries recently shared their expertise at the Savannah Community Forum, including how to win a levy, manage community relations, and market effectively.

Hear how Savannah powered by Orange Boy helped MCPL and others by [clicking here](#).

For trial and pricing information, contact Megan Bryant at bryant@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2896.

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Hot off the press! Read the most recent reports from CQ Researcher

SAGE wants Amigos Library Services members to catch up with [CQ Researcher](#)! Ensure that both you and your patrons stay well-informed on the current topics and issues faced by the world today. Here are the reports that you may have missed recently. [Read these, and all of the SAGE reports, today!](#) Need help distinguishing media fact from fiction? Check out our [Fake News Checklist](#).

Featured topics include:

[Hunger in America](#) *Should the government spend more on food aid?*

[Future of the Christian Right](#) *Are evangelicals losing their political clout?*

[Food Labeling](#) *Should the government require clearer packaging?*

[Trust in Media](#) *Can news outlets regain the public's confidence?*

[Pandemic Threat](#) *Is the world prepared for the next outbreak?*

[North Korea Showdown](#) *Can a military confrontation be averted?*

Members receive special pricing for higher education institutions,

K-12 institutions, and public libraries.

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Project Muse Looks Ahead to 2018: New Content, New Interface

[Project MUSE](#), a leading provider of digital humanities and social sciences content, recently announced they will add twelve new journals to their online collections for 2018, with a few more expected to be confirmed shortly. The new titles grow their holdings across several core MUSE subject areas, including: religious studies, cultural studies, literature, education, library science, and music. A list of all new journals confirmed to date, along with other collection content updates may be found [here](#).

MUSE also continues to expand our archival content holdings. Over 150 journals titles now offer complete runs, from the first volume and issue, on the MUSE platform. All archival content is immediately available to current subscribers to applicable titles at no additional charge. A full list of journals with complete runs in MUSE is [here](#).

For trial and pricing information, contact Ashley Brizuela at brizuela@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Academic Libraries: Check Out the New ASME Standards Collection

Give your engineering students the tools needed to succeed in today's increasingly competitive employment environment! Equip your users with an understanding of the use of Codes and Standards in different contexts, which will give them a greater and more authentic sense of the world of practice.

[The American Society of Mechanical Engineers® \(ASME®\) Codes & Standards for Academia Standards Collection](#) is now available through a new flexible subscription option. This enables access to the most up-to-date collection of Codes and Standards produced by ASME, one of the oldest and most highly regarded international standards developing organizations.

Codes and Standards are associated with the art, science, and practice of mechanical engineering, starting in 1914 with the first edition of its boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. ASME standards are accepted for use in more than 100 countries around the world.

ASME is offering online standards subscriptions to academic libraries through the eDaptive platform in three packages, containing:

The complete Boiler & Pressure Vessels Code (BPVC)

All non-BPVC codes and standards (topics include: elevators; escalators; piping; bioprocessing; valves; gaskets; nuclear)

All Standards mentioned; currently 548 are included in the collection

For trial and pricing information, contact Ashley Brizuela at brizuela@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Just Launched! New Version of Qinsight™

Qinsight™, the only artificial intelligence-based, predictive visual analytics platform for biomedical and life science literature, has just released a new version of the application with the changes incorporated listed below:

- An initial implementation for showing/hiding the different categories in the Concept Cloud and Concept Trends visualizations.
- More natural language queries. For example, in addition to “Genes melanoma”, you will be able to search for “What genes are associated with melanoma?” and get identical results. This is a system that will need to learn and expand over time.
- The neural network that underlies the trends part of the Concept Trends visualization has been updated. We have moved to a

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more sensitive protocol to give a better sense of the dynamics behind emerging concept patterns.

- An additional publication type filter for Conference/Congress.
- Improved neural network responsible for recognizing and defining abbreviations.
- The bug where the Assignee was not being exported for patents has been fixed. Assignee is now exported, and behaves the same as an article's affiliation.
- The bug where a spelling suggestion equal to the original query would be provided when, legitimately, very few records were returned has also been fixed.

See the demo of Qinsight™ [here](#). Current subscribers have the option of renewing through Amigos. For trial and pricing information, contact Ashley Brizuela at brizuela@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2805.

Check Out the Loeb Classical Library from Harvard University Press

Don't miss the [Harvard University Press Digital Loeb Classical Library](#), available through Amigos as either an annual subscription or one-time perpetual access purchase with an annual hosting fee. All subscriptions and purchases are for unlimited users with remote access.

Founded by James Loeb in 1911, the mission of the Loeb Classical Library is to make classical Greek and Latin literature accessible to the broadest range of readers. It provides the literature in a fully searchable virtual library.

The entire Greek and Latin classical heritage is represented in Digital Loeb through:

- poetry
- drama
- history
- philosophy
- oratory
- and much more...

All are presented with up-to-date texts and accurate English translations. Free trials are available. For more information, contact Gerrye McEntire, mcentire@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2818.

Continuing Education Opportunities

Need to refresh your RDA cataloging skills?

From copy cataloging to RDA for video recordings, we've got a course for you! Use the links below to register.

[Cataloging with RDA](#) September 26-29, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CDT

Goodbye AACR2 and hello RDA! This workshop will bring you the latest news on RDA and give you a thorough overview of the new content standard. Topics include: FRBR review, RDA Core elements for description, changes from AACR2, RDA Toolkit functionality, using workflows and mappings to catalog materials with RDA, and so much more.

[RDA for Copy Catalogers](#) October 4-5, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT

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. Topics include: FRBR review, new RDA MARC fields, differences between AACR2 and RDA descriptions, access points for persons, families, corporate bodies, works and expressions, examples of RDA bibliographic records, and more.

[RDA for Video Recordings](#) October 11-12, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT

This workshop, geared towards catalogers who perform original and copy cataloging for video recordings, covers the RDA instructions relevant to cataloging carrier-based and electronic video recordings. Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to: understand where video recordings fit into the FRBR data model, select appropriate preferred source of information video recordings, create bibliographic descriptions of video recordings, and more.

And check out our newest course:

[Makerspaces in the Library: How to plan for success!](#) October 11, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT (Early bird registration ends 9/19)

Implementing a makerspace into your library's services can be a challenging and exciting project. This course, tailored to teachers and librarians in the beginning stages of planning a makerspace, will utilize feedback from other successful makerspaces and look at how makerspaces can be designed to promote library services already in place.

Know & Go Updates

Know & Go Updates are part of a series of informative web sessions covering topics of current interest. Designed for group participation and FREE for Amigos members, all are presented online on Monday afternoons from 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. CDT. [Register today!](#)

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[The Data-Driven Library](#) September 18, 1:30-2:30 p.m. CDT

[The Power of Presenting](#) October 2, 1:30-2:30 p.m. CDT

[Getting the Most Out of Amigos Membership](#) November 6, 1:30-2:30 p.m. CDT

[Thanks for Technology!](#) November 13, 1:30-2:30 p.m. CDT

Upcoming Online Classes

Here's a quick look at upcoming online classes. Classes are always being added so be sure to check out our [course schedule!](#)

[Cataloging with RDA](#) September 26-29, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CDT

[Developing Community Support and Building Creative Partnerships](#) September 28, 2-4 p.m. CDT

[RDA for Copy Catalogers](#) October 4-5, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CDT

[Makerspaces in the Library: How to plan for success!](#) October 11, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT (*Early bird registration ends 9/19*)

[RDA for Video Recordings](#) October 11-12, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CDT (*Early bird registration ends 9/19*)

[Dealing with Difficult Patrons](#) October 24-26, 2-4 p.m. CDT (*Early bird registration ends 10/2*)

[RDA for Audio Recordings](#) November 29-30, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT (*Early bird registration ends 11/7*)

A.T. Still Memorial Library Host Exhibits

By Jean Sidwell, Library Director and Debra Loguda-Summers, Public Services Manager, A.T. Still Memorial Library, Kirksville, MO

This past summer the A.T. Still Memorial Library was host to an exhibit from the National Library of Medicine (NLM) entitled “*The Literature of Prescription: Charlotte Perkins Gilman and “The Yellow Wall-Paper.”*”

This six panel exhibit discusses the challenge women had dealing with the traditional ideas about gender that excluded them from intellectual life, medical and scientific experts drew on the philosophies of female weakness to justify discrimination between the sexes. Artist and writer Charlotte Perkins Gilman, who was discouraged from pursuing a career to preserve her health, rejected these ideas in her short story titled, “The Yellow Wall-Paper.”

In the fall, the Library will be hosting another exhibit from the NLM, “*Life and Limb: The Toll of the American Civil War,*” which discusses the experiences of disabled veterans and their role as symbols of the fractured nation and a stark reminder of the costs of the conflict. This six panel exhibit explores the perspectives of surgeons, physicians, and nurses, highlighting the heroism and brutality of medicine and the challenges of caring for wounded soldiers during wartime.

In the spring of 2018, the Library is pleased to be hosting the “*Missouri and the Great War*” traveling exhibit from the Missouri Humanities Council and Springfield-Green County Library District. Missourians actively contributed to various aspects of the war effort, even before the US joined the hostilities. More than 156,000 Missourians served in the war; men like future president Harry S. Truman, Walt Disney and Gens. John J. Pershing and Enoch Crowder. The exhibit features seven double-sided panels and two touch-screen kiosks exploring the many facets of World War I history told through the perspective of Missouri and Missourians.



Exhibit Photo by Debra Loguda Summers

UMKC Library Updates



New Website for UMKC Libraries

On July 31, 2017 the UMKC Libraries launched a brand new website! Our goal with this new website is to provide UMKC students, faculty and staff an intuitive and streamlined experience to facilitate access to the libraries' resources and services. The new website features an updated visual look, improved navigation, and a superior responsive design for mobile devices. Explore the new site [here](#).

Capturado: Faces of Cuba

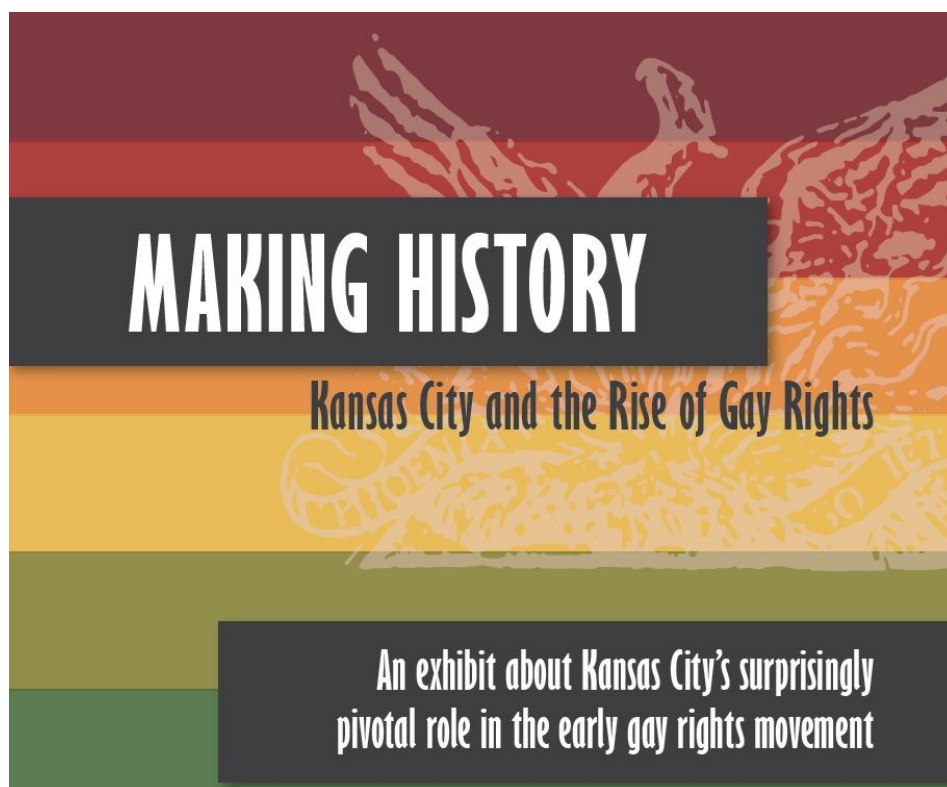
From August 21 – December 15, 2017 an exhibit featuring the diversity of Cuba will be on display at the UMKC Miller Nichols Library.

Dr. James "Jimmy" Adegoke, photographer and UMKC Department of Geosciences faculty member, visited Cuba in 2009 on a UNESCO-sponsored expedition to the country's nine cultural and natural sites designated for preservation. Struck by the vast diversity of the population, Jimmy eagerly began to capture images of Cubans at both work and play. The resulting photographs highlight the rich and greatly varied cultural composition of the island's inhabitants.



Making History: Kansas City and the Rise of Gay Rights

Kansas City's surprisingly pivotal role in helping to launch the modern gay rights movement is the central story of a new exhibit built by faculty, students, and staff at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. The exhibit is located on the 3rd floor of UMKC's Miller Nichols Library, and will be on display through December 8, 2017. Click [here](#) for more information.



University of Missouri – Columbia

Ann Campion Riley appointed Vice Provost for Libraries and University Librarian

The University Libraries are excited to announce that Ann Campion Riley, acting director of MU Libraries, has been appointed to the new position of vice provost for libraries and university librarian effective July 1.

Riley joined MU in 2007 as the associate director for access, collections and technical services and was appointed acting director of MU Libraries in July 2015. During her tenure at Mizzou, she has increased partnerships with other AAU and SEC institutions and has been instrumental in fundraising, including a recent student initiative designed to enhance library offerings and services.

Riley is a nationally-recognized leader with nearly 30 years of professional service in academic and research libraries. She served as president of the Association of College and Research Libraries in 2015, representing more than 11,500 academic and research librarians, and was honored as a research library leadership fellow by the Association of Research Libraries. 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.

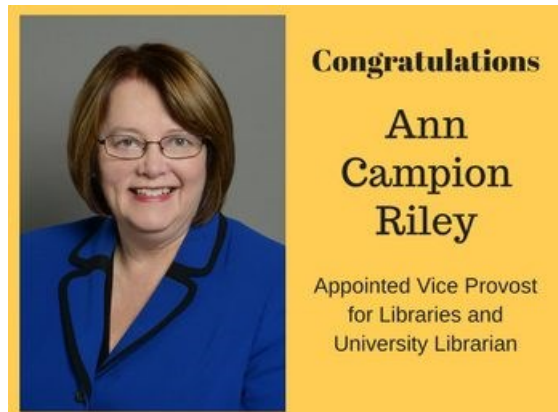
Interim Chancellor and Provost Garnett Stokes released the following statement:

"I am confident that she will continue to provide strong leadership for MU Libraries. She is a true champion and has tirelessly worked to support and preserve the library services and information resources upon which MU faculty, students and staff have come to rely."

The University of Missouri Libraries Welcomes Two New Librarians

Joseph Askins joined the University Libraries as the head of instructional services on August 2, 2017. Joe has a Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois and a Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Missouri. He is coming to us from the University of South Carolina, Columbia, where he was the information literacy programs librarian. Prior to working in South Carolina, Joe was the assistant librarian at Northwest Arkansas Community College in Bentonville.

Julie Housknecht joined the University Libraries as technical services librarian on May 1, 2017. She has previous experience as a tech services librarian at Reed Library, Fort Lewis College, and University of North Georgia Libraries. Julie has a Master of Library and Information Science from Florida State University and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Georgia State University.



Joseph Askins



Julie Housknecht

Five University of Missouri Librarians Receive Promotions

The following librarians received promotions this year. The new titles are effective September 1, 2017.

- Kimberly Moeller, research and instructional services librarian, was promoted to Librarian II
- Navadeep Khanal, e-learning librarian and web development administrator, was promoted to Librarian II
- Corrie Hutchinson, associate director of Acquisitions, Collections, and Technical Services division and head of acquisitions, promoted to Librarian III
- Abbie Brown, head of consortial services, was promoted to Librarian III
- Gary Cox, public services archivist, was promoted to Archivist III

State Historical Society of Missouri (SHSMO)

Missouri Digital Newspaper Project Receives Eight New Grants to Expand Collection

The State Historical Society of Missouri is partnering with seven public libraries and one academic library to digitize additional publications for the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project. Grants for the 2017–2018 fiscal year will support the processing of 29 new titles from underrepresented areas of the state and expand the project's collection of twentieth-century news coverage.

Northwest Missouri content will grow by 13 publications in partnership with three public libraries. The Gentry County Library will add another 40,080 pages from issues of the *Stanberry Headlight*, *Stanberry Herald*, and *Tri-County News* from 1914 to 1975. The Cameron Public Library will add 73,280 pages from four publications ranging from 1887 to 1974, and the St. Joseph Public Library is digitizing 49,180 pages from six publications from 1850 to 1942.

In west-central Missouri, the Henry County Library will digitize three publications from Clinton and Windsor, preserving 60,100 news pages. The Barry-Lawrence Regional Library will add 65,000 pages from three publications covering southwest Missouri from 1876 to 1994.

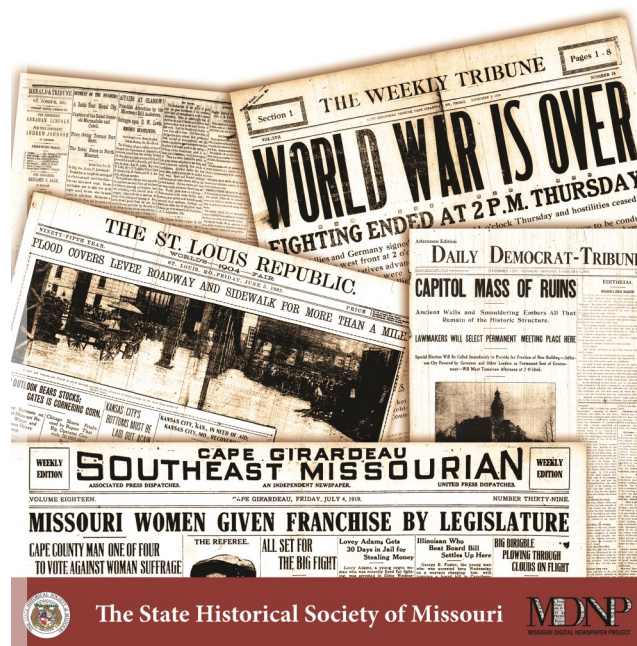
In eastern Missouri, the St. Charles City-County Library will add approximately 30,500 pages of the *Wentzville Union* from 1914 to 1964. Those researching southeast Missouri will soon be able to access 41,880 pages of the *Caruthersville Democrat-Argus* and its predecessors from 1891 to 1966, thanks to a partnership with the Caruthersville Public Library.

William Jewell College will digitize 70,000 pages of *The Word and the Way*, a statewide publication of the Missouri Baptist Convention. The pages will come from issues published from 1896 to 1980.

The Missouri Digital Newspaper Project is a free, searchable database of newspapers that receives funding 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, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

Newspapers in the State Historical Society of Missouri's collection are digitized to National Digital Newspaper Program specifications. Many of Missouri's digital newspapers are also available through the Library of Congress's Chronicling America site, which ultimately aims to include newspaper pages from all states and US territories. To access all three programs, visit the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project at shsmo.org/newspaper/mdnp.

Historic Newspapers Online



The Missouri Digital Newspaper Project will expand by 29 titles in 2017-2018 thanks to collaborations with seven public libraries and one academic library.

New York Times Bestselling Author to Discuss World War I at State Historical Society Fall Lecture and Annual Meeting

After four years of fighting and 36 million casualties, a Missourian helped end the Great War. The American Expeditionary Forces led by General John J. Pershing cut through German lines in the fall of 1918 and changed the course of the First World War.

At the State Historical Society of Missouri's 2017 Center for Missouri Studies Fall Lecture on October 7, *New York Times* bestselling author Andrew Carroll will offer an intimate look at Pershing, a native of Linn County, Missouri, and the only man other than George Washington to attain the rank of General of the Armies of the United States. The lecture is part of SHSMO's annual meeting.

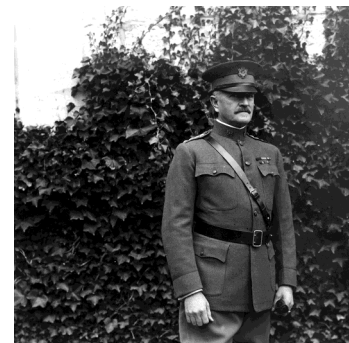
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The 1 p.m. presentation at the Courtyard by Marriott and Conference Center in Columbia will delve into Carroll's most recent book, *My Fellow Soldiers: General John Pershing and the Americans Who Helped Win the Great War*. Published last April at the centennial of US entry into the war, it has been lauded by the *Weekly Standard* as "a fitting tribute to the more than two million Americans who stepped forward a century ago to rescue the Allies and bring the United States onto the world's stage."

Join SHSMO earlier in the day at the 11 a.m. business meeting, also at the Marriott, to celebrate outstanding scholarship related to Missouri history and hear highlights from SHSMO's past year. Register for the noon luncheon by September 25; registration is \$35 for members, \$45 for nonmembers.

All other events on October 7 are free and open to the public, including the 11 a.m. meeting and the 1 p.m. lecture. A book signing will immediately follow the lecture. The Society's gift shop will have *My Fellow Soldiers* and other works by Carroll available for purchase.



General of the Armies John Pershing of Linn County, Missouri.

Past Provost of Southeast Missouri State University Chosen to Lead Cape Girardeau Research Center

William R. Eddleman joined the State Historical Society of Missouri's Cape Girardeau Research Center as associate director on July 5. The immediate past provost of Southeast Missouri State University, Eddleman retired from SEMO on January 1, 2016, having also served as a professor of biology for 22 years.

A passionate participant in regional history and genealogy, Eddleman has devoted hundreds of hours to transcribing and indexing deed records, land patents, and other historical materials from the antebellum period in Cape Girardeau and surrounding counties.

"I'm trained as a field biologist, and it has been revealing to me to learn that genealogy that is well done is very similar to science that is well done," Eddleman said. "We develop questions, derive predictions, gather data to test those predictions, and develop tentative conclusions that can be changed as more data become available."

Eddleman served for 14 years as president of the Cape County Genealogical Society and has edited the *Collage of Cape County*, the genealogical society's quarterly publication, for 20 years. He also is a longtime member of the Turner Brigade, the local organization of Civil War reenactors.

"Bill Eddleman is ideally suited to take over the reins of the Cape Research Center," SHSMO executive director Gary Kremer said. "His administrative expertise as past SEMO provost and his keen interest and expertise in regional history and genealogy will serve the Society and its patrons very well."

Eddleman said his immediate goals are to increase the Cape center's visibility, create local partnerships, and work with individuals to find a home for their papers at the State Historical Society.

"We need to get our message out better and make ourselves known," Eddleman said. "Along with that, I'd like for other local history archives to view us as an equal partner, not a competitor. For the longer term, I'd like people in the Southeast region to know we are a place where people can learn about their family history and regional history, and a place where they should consider donating family documents."

Eddleman succeeds Frank Nickell, who has taken a position at the Kellerman Foundation for Historic Preservation in Cape Girardeau.

State Historical Society Welcomes New Bicentennial Coordinator

Michael Sweeney has been appointed to spearhead the State Historical Society of Missouri's efforts to commemorate Missouri's state bicentennial in 2021. Sweeney, who served as a staff historian and senior research specialist at SHSMO's Kansas City Research Center from 2015 to 2016, is based in Kansas City.

Sweeney rejoins SHSMO after a stint as director of collections at the American Jazz Museum in Kansas City. He holds a PhD in American Studies from the University of Kansas and a master's degree in library and information science from the University of Missouri.

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“His depth of knowledge about Missouri history and his ability to build partnerships make Michael the ideal candidate to coordinate the Society’s plans for the bicentennial,” said Gary Kremer, SHSMO executive director.

Sweeney has quickly advanced the vision for the celebration by laying groundwork throughout the state. Crisscrossing the state for meetings, he has met with potential partners in Missouri’s urban centers and rural communities.

“We want to ensure that Missourians—both at home and abroad—will walk away from the bicentennial experience with a greater appreciation of the state’s history and its diverse communities and cultures,” Sweeney said. “Missourians are a dynamic, innovative, and persistent group of people. The bicentennial is an excellent reason for all Missourians to evaluate who we are and consider who we will be.”

For updates on the bicentennial planning process, sign up for emails at missouri2021.org.

SHSMO’s Rolla and Springfield Research Centers See Staff Changes to Extend Services

The State Historical Society of Missouri has reconfigured its staff at the Rolla and Springfield Research Centers to support their continued growth in patron services and educational outreach.

Kathleen “Katie” Seale, formerly of the Springfield Research Center, is now the senior archivist in Rolla. Erin Smither, also promoted to senior archivist, will remain in Springfield.

“Our outreach in southwest Missouri has grown tremendously thanks to the efforts of both Katie and Erin,” senior associate director Gerald Hirsch said. “We are excited to see what they will accomplish at the helm of their respective centers.”

In addition to continuing their public programming efforts, Seale and Smither are charged with assisting patrons and managing the archives for their regions. Their responsibilities include fulfilling research requests, processing collections, and working with individuals and organizations interested in donating their papers.

“As an eighth-generation southwest Missourian, this history is my history,” Seale said. “I’m excited to work with donors in Rolla to keep preserving our story.”

Announcements from Wolfner Library

Large Print Sticker Project

Does your library offer large print materials to youth and/or adults? Wolfner Library is offering Missouri's libraries an opportunity to help promote our unique services. Wolfner Library has stickers designed to be placed on the inside covers of large print books. These stickers read "If you are only able to read large print, you may qualify for Wolfner Library Services" followed by some examples of our services and contact information for Wolfner Library.

This is a great way to help promote a service to augment those offered by your library. If you are interested in participating in this effort, please contact Amy Nickless, Adult Services Librarian, at amy.nickless@sos.mo.gov or call 1-800-392-2614 and ask for Amy.




Wolfner Library Presentation at the 2017 Missouri Library Association Conference

If you are attending MLA 2017, consider attending Wolfner Library's program "Distance Programming for Adults: Wolfner Library's Experiment in Book Clubs by Conference Call" presented by Adult Services Librarian Amy Nickless and Reader Advisor Meghan McCormack. It is scheduled for **11 a.m. on Friday, October 6 in the St. Moritz Room**. Program summary: In May, 2016, Wolfner Talking

Book and Braille Library began offering book clubs by conference call to its patrons statewide. A great deal of thought and planning went into the process of crafting a workable program that consists of three different monthly book clubs. Learn about the challenges Wolfner Library staff faced to create this successful program, ranging from the methods for conducting the book clubs to determining criteria for book selection, and how the process could be applied to bridge a gap in service for your own library's homebound patrons.


Wolfner Library Training Webinar

On **Wednesday November 1, 2017, at 10 a.m.** Wolfner Library is offering a live webinar. Discover how to open up a world of accessible books and library services to your patrons by learning how Wolfner Library serves special populations. With more than 155,000 Missourians with visual disabilities and over 460,000 with physical disabilities, there are sure to be individuals in your community who would benefit from our services. Learn how your patrons may qualify for our service and have materials delivered directly to their doorsteps, desktops, and mobile devices. Be in the know with up-to-the-moment information on the many new offerings at Wolfner Library, including print/braille games, large print books, descriptive DVDS, dial-in book clubs, and an early literacy program! Presented by Deputy Director Abbey Rimel and Adult Services Librarian Amy Nickless. Register using the following website address: <https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/3604198400328416001>.



If you are only able to read large print, you may qualify for Wolfner Library services, which include free access by mail to:

- Over 350,000 titles in audio and other formats
- Use of audio playback devices
- DVDs with descriptive narration
- Over 70 magazines

 **Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library**

Email: Wolfner@sos.mo.gov
Toll free: 800-392-2614 (in Missouri)
Phone: 573-751-8720

Missouri State Library

Lisa Stock Joins Library Development Team

The Missouri State Library is pleased to announce that Lisa Stock joined the Library Development Team as the Adult Services Consultant on August 16, 2017. Lisa will plan and coordinate statewide projects to improve library services for adults, particularly focused on literacy, workforce readiness, small business support, and services to special populations; plan, organize and sponsor training events for adult services staffs; and manage the State Library's Show Me Steps to Continuing Education grant program.

Lisa has a Masters of Information Science and Learning Technology with an emphasis in Library Science and certification as an Education Specialist in Information Science and Learning Technology with an emphasis in Learning Systems Design and Development. Most recently, she has served as an Adult Education Instructor, guiding students through requirements of the High School Equivalency Test (HiSET) and an English/Writing Tutor at Columbia College. She may be contacted at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov, (800) 325-0131 or (573)526-1087.

Daniel Boone Regional Library Updates

Books by Snail Celebrates 10 Years

The Daniel Boone Regional Library provides a free book delivery service every summer where we mail books to kids and teens in our rural service areas. Youth tell us the kinds of books they like, and we send them books to read through the summer, postage completely paid. When they are done reading, they send us the books back along with their request for more.

After its pilot in two communities in 2008, the program's popularity convinced us to expand it to more schools the next year. Nine years later, K-12 graders attending school in Auxvasse, Hallsville, Harrisburg, Hatton, Holts Summit, Kingdom City, Mokane, New Bloomfield, Sturgeon and Williamsburg get books through the mail from our libraries.

We're grateful for the grant funds we've received over the last decade to fund this program. Books by Snail is supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.



Below are just a handful of the heartwarming comments from people who have participated in our Books by Snail program.

"Thank you so much for this wonderful opportunity for my daughter. She would not have read as much this summer if she did not have this program. Your program is awesome! Thank you!"

"We love Books by Snail! As a family of readers, we typically read often, but my daughter loved seeing the blue bag of books on our doorstep every other week! We are fully satisfied with this program! :) Way to go DBRL!"

"This is an awesome program! My son loves getting books by snail. He enjoys reading but stated in May he was going to take a "break" for the summer. To the contrary, he increased his reading and finished the whole Percy Jackson series, a Hardy Boys trilogy and much more. The staff did a great job of selecting books. There's something very special about getting books in the mail. It adds a whole new level of excitement to reading. Thank you so much for this program!!"

"Coming from a mom who is also a teacher, I could not appreciate this program any more! Thank you DBRL for all you do to encourage the love of reading in our children!"

Poverty Simulation Program

Unless you've personally experienced poverty, it can be difficult to understand what it's like to struggle with meeting basic needs. A poverty simulation is a role-playing activity that gives participants a way to experience these difficulties of poverty for themselves. On July 18, the Daniel Boone Regional Library sponsored and coordinated a poverty simulation program with Central Missouri Community Action. It took place at the United Methodist Church in Columbia, Missouri and gave small organizations and members of the public an opportunity to participate.

Participants took on the role of a low-income family and lived out a simulated month trying to meet basic needs. They were given a monthly budget and had to figure out how to pay bills. As in real life, the simulation offered roadblocks that would pop up at random, preventing participants from reaching their monthly goals. Many participants found themselves evicted from their homes, and shelters were hard to get into as they were often full.

The poverty simulation program gave participants just a small taste of what people dealing with poverty experience, emphasizing the constant cycle of stress that poverty creates. The program raised poverty awareness in our community and also encouraged participants to find ways to help eliminate poverty, whether by donating, volunteering or voting.



Poverty Simulation Program,
United Methodist Church

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One Read Author's Talk: Angela Flournoy

Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 7 p.m.

Launer Auditorium, Columbia College
901 Rogers. St.
Columbia, MO 65216

One Read, coordinated by the Daniel Boone Regional Library and now in its sixteenth year, is a community-wide reading program sponsored by a task force of local media and community agencies. Modeled after Chicago's successful "One Book, One Chicago" project, this comprehensive program involves cities, counties, media, schools and businesses in encouraging adults of all ages to read one book and participate in thought-provoking discussion and activities.

We are beyond excited to have this year's *One Read* author Angela Flournoy speak about her novel "The Turner House" at Columbia College. After her remarks, she will answer questions from the audience and sign copies of the book.

Her presentation will air live on KOPN 89.5FM as well as via videoconference at William Woods University in Fulton. Please attend or listen if you're interested in learning more about this fabulous author.



St. Louis County Library Updates

St. Louis County Library Offers Online High School Diploma Program

St. Louis County Library will offer a new online high school diploma program to area residents starting in October 2017. The Career Online High School (COHS) offers adult learners age 25 and older a second chance to earn a high school diploma, along with a career certificate, opening the door to new job opportunities. The two library systems are coming together to address a growing need in the St. Louis region—currently over 90,000 adults in the St. Louis area don't have a high school degree. The Career Online High School program has the potential to improve the economic outlook and earning potential for hundreds in our community.

St. Louis County Library will offer a limited number of COHS scholarships to County residents. Private donations and gifts to the St. Louis County Library Foundation will fund the scholarships. SLCL is hosting a sold-out event with Emmy award-winning actor Jon Hamm on July 22 to help raise funds for the scholarships.

St. Louis County Library Director Kristen Sorth said, "Partnering with St. Louis Public Library allows us to demonstrate how regional cooperation can make our community stronger by providing educational opportunities for adults in St. Louis County and St. Louis City. There's no question this program will transform the lives of students."

Once enrolled in the program, COHS pairs each student with an online academic coach, who provides the student with an individual career path, offers ongoing guidance, evaluates performance and connects the student with the resources needed to master the courses. Students will be encouraged to utilize library resources, such as databases, public computers and wi-fi, to complete the coursework. Students will be given up to 18 months to complete the program.

Career certification is available in one of eight high growth fields including child care and education, food and hospitality, and office management. In addition, students receive training on business writing and workplace etiquette, along with help creating cover letters and résumés.

Enrollment in COHS will begin in October 2017. Details about how to apply for the program are available at www.slcl.org/cohs.

To learn more about the Career Online High School program please visit www.slcl.org/cohs or contact Jennifer McBride, Communications Manager at 314-994-3300 ext 2250 or jmcbride@slcl.org.

Mid-Continent Public Library Updates

Mid-Continent Public Library Garners Grant Funding

Mid-Continent Public Library is pleased to announce that it has been awarded five grants from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (as administered by the Missouri State Library) since March 2017 to fund critical early literacy and technology projects throughout the Library's three-county district. In total, these grants will bring in more than \$52,000 to support the work of the Library.

The recently awarded grants include:

Technology Ladder Grant—\$24,430

Supports the purchase of equipment to improve the Library's network and Wi-Fi systems in order to provide faster connections, greater user capacity, and better coverage for Library customers and staff. In addition to increasing internet speed, these new devices will allow for faster updates and an increased level of security by the Library's IT team.

Spotlight on Literacy Grant—\$7,527

Funds the development of a new program called STEAM-Powered Afternoons with MCPL. Built around the STEAM concept of science, technology, engineering, arts, and math-based education, this project will promote digital literacy to underserved youth throughout the Library system through coding and virtual reality programming.

Racing to Read Grant—\$5,100

Supports the continuation of the Teens, Tots, and Tales: Building Family Literacy and Libraries program and will fund educational storytimes and books for families to take home as well as early literacy workshops for area childcare and early education providers. The Teens, Tots, and Tales program was established in 2016 with the Independence School District's Early Education Center at Truman High School to help teen parents establish good family literacy practices.

Summer Library Program Grant—\$10,453



Supports the purchase of outreach materials for the Library's Reading Rocket, a mobile early literacy unit that travels to underserved areas of the community ("transportation deserts") to provide vital Library services.

Technology Mini-Grant—\$4,498

Funds the purchase of a tabletop tablet for early learning at MCPL's North Independence Branch.

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Mid-Continent Public Library Hosts Legacy Luncheon



Award Winner, Carrie Mayle with Colbern Road Branch Manager, Seth Moses

Mid-Continent Public Library hosted its third annual Legacy Luncheon on Friday, July 7 at the Hartman Heritage Conference Center at the Hilton Garden Inn in Independence during which attendees celebrated the impact of libraries and librarians on the community. A central theme of the reception was the Library's especially bright future, made brighter by the passage of Proposition L last fall.

During the Luncheon, the John Ferguson Legacy Award for Outstanding Library Service was bestowed upon Carrie Mayle, Access Specialist at MCPL's Colbern Road Branch; and Vote Yes for MyMCPL, an independent committee that campaigned on behalf of Prop L before the November election, was given the Victor Gragg Library Champion Award.

Prior to the awards, Potter took the stage to give a State of the Library address to an audience of 210 Library retirees, sponsors, and supporters in which he took a look back on noteworthy moments throughout the previous year and outlined the Library's plans for the future including the expansion of branch hours at the start of the new year (specific to each community's desires), the development of a new website and mobile app, the renovation of aging facilities, the purchase of the complete *Kansas City Star* archive, and participation in special programs like The Big Read.



Candice Millard Speaks at Legacy Luncheon

Potter also spoke about a memoir that the Library will soon publish through its imprint, the Woodneath Press, in conjunction with the Jackson County Historical Society, about a local man who is credited with igniting the rural comedy movement in America. *The First Beverly Hillbilly*, written by the late Ruth Henning, will be released on September 26 in honor of the 55th anniversary of the debut of *The Beverly Hillbillies*.

In his commentary on the past year, Potter reflected on some of the Library's accomplishments including the launch of an enhanced online catalog, the expansion of the Library-By-Mail program for homebound customers, the creation of a local authors collection called ReadLOCAL, and the transition of the Library's annual Summer Reading Program to a more holistic Summer Learning Program.

The Legacy Luncheon also included a feature presentation by Candice Millard, *New York Times* bestselling nonfiction author of *Hero of the Empire*, *Destiny of the Republic*, and *The River of Doubt*.

Local Beer Barons Unite for 'Business of Microbrews' Event at Library

Mid-Continent Public Library's Square One Small Business Services tapped into one of Kansas City's hottest industries during its free event for local entrepreneurs—The Business of Microbrews on Thursday, July 13 at 6 p.m. at The Martin Event Space.

During the event, Pete Dulin, author of [KC Ale Trail](#) and renowned food writer, moderated a panel of local microbrewers in a conversation about KC's hopping beer industry, including:

- Gene DeClue, Rock & Run Brewery
- Matt Moore, Martin City Brewing Company
- Greg Bland, Stockyards Brewing
- Chris Roberts, Red Crow Brewing

Following the conclusion of the program, attendees had the chance to sample the panelists' products. This program was funded by a grant from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation. **To learn more about Square One, visit mymcpl.org/SquareOne.**



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Kansas City Libraries Team Up for 'Library Night at The K'

The libraries of greater Kansas City recently teamed up with the Kansas City Royals to score big for the libraries' annual summer reading programs. On Thursday, August 3, the Royals hosted Library Night at The K, and a portion of tickets purchased went toward the libraries' summer reading programs. The Royals also emerged victorious as they defeated the Seattle Mariners in a 6-4 win.

In addition to the fundraiser, the Royals supported the libraries' summer reading initiatives this year by donating prizes for participants, including 1,000 tickets to Library Night at The K. While each KC-area library's summer reading program is unique, all have the same goal: to keep kids reading and learning throughout the summer. At the time of the game, more than 50,000 children were participating in the libraries' summer reading programs.

"The Royals are not only a great baseball team; they are a tremendous community partner. Along with Royals Charities, they have been instrumental in helping us get kids excited about our annual Summer Learning Program, which keeps children intellectually engaged over the summer months," said Mid-Continent Public Library Director and CEO Steven V. Potter.

The six libraries that participated in Library Night at The K (Johnson County Library, Kansas City, Kansas Public Library, Kansas City Public Library, Mid-Continent Public Library, North Kansas City Public Library, and Olathe Public Library) hosted celebrations with activities and giveaways both inside the stadium and out prior to the game. Across the Kansas City metro, these six library systems collectively serve more than 1.6 million people via 62 branches, five mobile units, and 22 other service locations. In fact, the 9.9 million visitors to all of these libraries over the past year would have filled Kauffman Stadium 262 times.



MCPL Director, Steven Potter

Springfield-Greene County Library District Updates

Library Celebrates Premiere of WWI Traveling Exhibit

The World War I exhibit “Missouri and the Great War” designed by the Local History Department and Library Art Director Danny Dye made its premiere at a reception July 11 in the Missouri Capitol. The Library, Missouri Humanities Council and Missouri State Museum hosted the event, which featured speakers from three organizations and Lora Vogt, curator of education at the National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City. After the stop in the Capitol, the exhibit goes to Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff, then numerous sites across Missouri before returning to Springfield in November 2018.



Amateur Builders Recreate Landmarks with LEGO Blocks

The “Building Springfield” 3-D display in the Library Center’s Local History Department attracted entire families as part of the district’s Build A Better World Summer Reading Program. The display, which invited all ages to build past, present or future Springfield landmarks with LEGO bricks, attracted more than 1,200 builders. They made downtown’s tallest Hammons Tower, a Springfield Art Museum outdoor sculpture known locally as “The French Fries,” and monsters. Lots of monsters. Local History staff has pulled out the best of the best for a future display.

1,000 Origami Cranes Will Take Flight in September

A curtain of 1,000 origami cranes will drape from the ceiling of the Library Center throughout September in honor of International Day of Peace, September 21. The flock of folded paper cranes grew over the summer as branch programs provided how-to sessions and folding instructions for people who wished to craft them at home. Library Center Reference Librarian and cranes planner Alana Myler was inspired by the story of a young Japanese girl, Sadako Sasaki, who developed leukemia following the bombing of Hiroshima during World War II. While in the hospital, Sadako wished for world peace and survival as she folded cranes. Sadako died in 1955, but cranes became a symbol of peace as her story was popularized. Each year the United Nations’ International Day of Peace is devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace within and among all nations and peoples. The 2017 theme is “Together for Peace: Respect, Safety and Dignity for All.” This year, the day will focus on engaging and mobilizing people throughout the world to show support for refugees and migrants.



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Library Boosts Literacy Message for WIC Visitors

Community Relations Graphic Designer Jay Young and Early Literacy Specialist Stephanie Smallwood teamed up on a project at the Springfield WIC Clinic to encourage parents to read to their babies. Stephanie regularly meets with parents at the Women, Infants and Children's office, or WIC, at the Jordan Valley Community Health Center. When she was offered space in the center's display case, she and Jay collaborated on a bright display promoting reading through the Racing to Read program. She added, "I believe this will be an excellent opportunity for many people to see that the Library is here to serve babies, too." The plan is to occasionally update the display with more literacy messages for families.



Sixty Adults Indulge in Harry Potter Escape Room

Some 60 adults worked in five groups to solve puzzles and challenges in The Harry Potter Escape Room on Friday, July 21, at the Library Center. The reservation list filled so quickly that Library Center Reference Librarian Tammy Flippen and her planning crew had a waiting list and requests for a repeat as soon as possible.

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