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President's Message

What a year it has been! I will be using my final President's Column to sum up my activities for the year. It has been thrilling to serve as your MLA President in 2018!

The year got off to a normal start, appointing committee members, planning with the Board, communicating with members about membership ... and then I got a phone call that started with the words, "Are you sitting down?"

That phone call from our business management firm, Amigos, was to inform me that MLA had received an anonymous gift of over \$825,000! The call also touched off a whirlwind for your MLA Board and Treasurer. The focus of my work shifted to making sure that sizable gift was invested wisely and policies to guide the use of the investment fund were put in place. *I am so happy to get to announce that MLA is now a MILLION DOLLAR organization!* The result of our work is the new MLA Access and Innovation Fund. I have created a task force charged with gathering member feedback to form a giving plan that will put the interest earned on this fund directly back into our Missouri Libraries, which I truly love.

Being President of MLA has given me the chance to travel the state and enjoy seeing all types of libraries in all kinds of locations. I am so proud to tell people about the amazing things that are happening throughout Missouri! I am excited that over 250 people came out to support the opening of a new library in Neosho. It was thrilling to look at all the special touches that were added to the library in Pacific, and I was proud to see that the library at Lindenwood University in St. Charles was designed with collaboration in mind.

Every time I saw or heard about an innovative program, I beamed with pride, but I didn't stop there. Being MLA President gave me a platform to advocate for our libraries. Early in the year, I enjoyed meeting with our state's elected officials and later in the year I enjoyed traveling to Washington, D.C., with the largest contingent of Missouri Librarians yet, each with an amazing story about how their libraries are touching lives. I know this advocacy work will continue in future years, but everyone must help us to tell the real stories of our libraries.

I want to end by saying "Thank you." *Thank you* to Amigos Library Service for your never-ending support and question answering. *Thank you* to everyone on the 2018 Board! Your support, ideas, and help have made a difference! We are a lucky organization to have such a responsive and creative Board.

I would also like to say *thank you* to every single volunteer who worked on a committee or with a community of interest to move the organization forward and continue the amazing work that we do.

Finally, *thank you* to each and every member of this organization. I know that Missouri Libraries are amazing because you help to make them that way. Please keep up the good work and know that you are supported and appreciated. We live in a world that is often an uneven playing field, but I want you all to be encouraged and to know that you make a difference! *Thank you!*

I know that I am leaving the organization in good hands with our incoming President, Erin Gray. Erin will use the newly adopted strategic plan to guide MLA into a vibrant future!

I can't wait to see where we go!

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Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Sponsor
Nov. 13-16	10:30a-12:30p	Connections Summit: Day One	Amigos
Nov. 14	1a-2p	Step Away from the Desk: Embedded and Roving Reference Services	Programming Librarian
Nov. 14	1-3p	Cataloging with RDA	Amigos
Nov. 14	4-5p	Big Programs, Little Budget: Forging Community Partnerships in a Small Town	edWeb
Nov. 15	12-1p	Diversify Your Programming with Bilingual Storytime	Infopeople
Nov. 15	1-2p	Collaboration Impacts Students' Learning	Public Library Association
Nov. 16	9-10a	Encore Career Search Strategies: Help Your Patrons Find Their Way to Meaningful Work	Indiana State Library
Nov. 16	10-11a	Libraries Connecting You to Coverage	Lyrasis
Nov. 19	12-1p	Looking to the Cloud: Using Google's G Suite at Your Library	Indiana State Library
Nov. 19	1:30-2:30p	The University of Michigan Ebook Collection: An investment in open source, community accountable infrastructure	Amigos
Nov. 20	9:30-10:30a	Technology Competencies & How to Exceed Them (Geared towards all levels of staff)	Firespring
Nov. 20	11a-12p	What Does Your Community Want? Using Google Search Data for Planning and Outreach	InSync Training
Nov. 22	12-1p	Online Tools that Help Nonprofits Learn, Listen & Engage	Charity Village
Nov. 26	1-2p	Bozarthzone! Holiday Stressbusters	National Network of Libraries of Medicine
Nov. 27	1a-12p	Using Storytelling to Boost Your Nonprofit's Communications	Training Magazine Network
Nov. 28	12-1p	Addressing Latino Health and Wellness Disparities Through Virtual Community Health and Wellness Workshops	National Network of Libraries of Medicine
Nov. 28-29	10:30a-12:30p	Graphs, Charts, and Data Visualization – All Three in Your Next PowerPoint Presentation	Amigos
Nov. 29	1-2p	Understanding Grief After an Overdose Death	Federal Depository Library Program
Nov. 29	2-3p	RDA for Copy Catalogers	WebJunction and OCLC
Dec. 3		IdentityTheft.gov: Your One-Stop Resource to Help People Recover from Identity Theft	Missouri State Library
Dec. 3	1:30-2:30p	Librarian Evolution: Libraries Thrive When We Change	Amigos
Dec. 4-13	2-4p	Wolfner Library 2019 Adult Winter Reading Program Registration Opens	Amigos

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Dec. 4-13	10:30a-12:30p	Cataloging & Classification Basics	Amigos
Dec. 6	2-3p	Leveraging Technology to Address The Opioid Epidemic	TechSoup
Dec. 10	1:30 - 2:30p	Deciphering Music Preferred Titles	Amigos
Dec. 12	10a– 12p	Tips for Hosting a Game Night in Your Library	Amigos
Dec. 19	10:30a – 12:30p	Cataloging eBooks: RDA and Provider-Neutral Guidelines	Amigos
Jan. 2 - Mar. 4, 2019		Wolfner Library 2019 Adult Winter Reading Program	Missouri State Library
Apr. 11, 2019		Read One with Author Madeline Miller	Springfield-Greene County Library District
Oct. 2-4, 2019		2019 MLA Conference, Kansas Ciity	Missouri Library Association

2018 MLA Conference

Stronger Together: Diversity in Libraries & Diversity of Libraries

We were so pleased to welcome the Missouri Library Association to Columbia for the Annual Conference, October 10-12, 2018! This year's conference drew 429 library folks and almost 50 exhibitors for close to 70 amazing sessions plus inspiring keynotes and other speakers, delicious meal events, the annual business meeting, and more!

The conference got off to a great start on Wednesday, with several pre-conferences and then the opening keynote speaker, Dr. Kevin McDonald, who shared with us about inclusive excellence. Breakout sessions followed, where librarians, library staff, members, and community partners all shared their wisdom and resources with colleagues from around the state. The MLA Meet & Greet helped us all learn about and connect with the various committees and communities of interest with which MLA members can be involved. Attendees spent time talking with exhibitors and with each other at the Exhibits Opening Reception, and the day concluded with a lovely and inspiring Awards Reception.



Thursday began with the all-conference Vendor Breakfast, followed by more fantastic presentations from fellow library folks, included the inspiring Schmidt Luncheon and MACRL Lunch, with author Miranda Paul and scholar Lisa Hinchliff, respectively. Following a break and exhibitor drawings, the MLA Membership Meeting took place. In addition to hearing reports and thanking outgoing and incoming Board members, the membership voted to approve the MLA Strategic Plan and Legislative Priorities. The SISLT Reception was off-site this year, at Shakespeare's Pizza, allowing attendees to have yummy pizza and good company at a Columbia favorite. Trivia Night wrapped up the day, which was both a lot of fun and an important fundraiser for the Bohley Scholarship.

The last day of conference started with the YA Author Breakfast, featuring Jennifer Brown and with Committee and Community of Interest Meetings. More great sessions followed, and the conference concluded with remarks from ALA President, Loida Garcia-Febo about the importance of advocacy and the importance of the work libraries and librarians do, in all of our diverse communities and ways, all over the country and the world, which help to save our communities and save our world.



If you attended the conference and have not already done so, please complete the conference evaluation at <https://t.co/2iPOhTjEY7>.

You can find additional details about the conference on the conference website, <http://molib.org/conference/2018-conference/>.

Thank you to everyone who attended and a huge thank you to everyone who presented, volunteered, and helped to plan the conference! A special thank you to all of the exhibitors and sponsors who helped make the conference possible! All of you contributed to the success of the conference and we could not have done it without you. We are all stronger together!

Submitted by your 2018 Conference Coordinators: Debbie Luchenbill and Kimberly Moeller, 2018mlacoordinators@gmail.com

Conference Photos



A Report From Your ALA Councilor



As many of you know, these are trying times for the American Library Association (ALA) as it tries to continue to be relevant to every library regardless of type (public, academic, or school).

Revised language in the section on “meeting rooms” of the ALA Bill of Rights caused the Council to reverse its adoption. A reference to “hate groups” triggered the need for a reversal. The section on meeting rooms” of the ALA Bill of Rights will surely come to the Council floor in January. Currently, we are operating under the Bill as reaffirmed January 23, 1996, <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill>.

The association wants to be more agile and effective. Therefore, we are looking at ways to restructure. Members of the organization have been asked to answer the following questions: What does our ideal organization do? What does our ideal organization look like? What are three ways we can get there? Is ALA too complex? Is it less than welcoming to new members and new ideas? By advocating for libraries at congressional hearings, ALA has influencing legislation.

Recently, ALA and librarians had two great wins on copyright issues: the [Marrakesh Treaty Implementation Act](#) and the [Music Modernization Act](#). However, we are facing another threat, the [Register of Copyrights Selection and Accountability Act \(S. 1010\)](#), which would remove the hiring authority of the Register of Copyrights from the Librarian of Congress and make it an appointment of the president. Your advocacy is needed to oppose S. 1010. Please contact your senator who sits on the [Rules and Administration Committee](#). Your call or email could make an enormous impact.

As your ALA Councilor, I would appreciate hearing from you on ALA matters at stolson@stchas.edu.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie D. Tolson, Councilor for the Missouri Chapter of the American Library Association



Professionalism, Education, Employment, and Recruitment Community of Interest

The Professionalism, Education, Employment, and Recruitment Community of Interest is pleased to announce PEER CI’s recommendation to award this year’s \$2000 Ronald Bohley Scholarship to Otter Bowman. While we had an incredible pool and it was a difficult decision, Otter stood out for her understanding of how collaboration and cooperation between libraries, communities, and individuals can help us all achieve great things. Otter Bowman works as a Library Associate at the Daniel Boone Regional Library in Columbia, Missouri, where she has been employed since 2004. Outreach children’s services are her passion, and she’s been a driver and storyteller for DBRL’s Bookmobile, Jr. service to county child care centers since its inception. Otter is in her first semester of the LIS Program at MU and we look forward to seeing where she takes it!

Otter Bowman, PEER CI's recommendation for the 2018 Ronald Bohley Scholarship.

Beta Phi Mu Psi Chapter Inducts Five Members

[Beta Phi Mu](#) is the international honor society for library and information studies. Founded 70 years ago, the Society promotes the values of scholarship, leadership, and service in the LIS field, with approximately 35,000 members in the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico.

Nominees for the state's Psi Chapter are selected by invitation of the faculty from the ALA-accredited University of Missouri. During this year's Missouri Library Association meeting, an initiation ceremony was held for the five newest members.

The Chapter is seeking to locate Beta Phi Mu members who are currently in Missouri. Please send your contact information to either Chapter Advisor [Heather Moulaison-Sandy](#) or President [Debbie Luchenbill](#). Beta Phi Mu members need not have been inducted into the Psi chapter to participate in their activities.



Those present initiated into the Psi Chapter of Beta Phi Mu are (front row, l-r) Brandi Ivester, Rachel Wallenbeck, Tammie Busch, and Ken Satterfield. Officers are (back row) F. Dykas, secretary/treasurer; Debbie Luchenbill, president; Heather Moulaison-Sandy, chapter advisor; and Rachel Brekhus, member at large.

Featured Library Employee

Meet this issue's Featured Library Employee for the Missouri Library Association, Peggy Ridlen!



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

Peggy Ridlen, Instruction Librarian; Professor *Jack C. Taylor Library*; Fontbonne University

What originally got you interested in working at a library?

It was my love of reading as a child that initiated my interest in working at a library. I did not learn to read until I was 8 years old.

However, when I did, a whole new world erupted.

What keeps you coming back every day?

I have the best job in the world! Academic librarianship provides a purposeful life suited to my abilities and personality. The mission, values, vision, commitment and students of Fontbonne University foster the opportunity to impart the value of libraries and literacy to the next generation.

What's challenging about your work?

Ongoing student engagement in raising awareness of intellectual freedom and the importance of information literacy in an increasingly digital world.

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

The short answer to this question is EVERYTHING. Working in a resource rich environment naturally enhances intellectual curiosity. Specifically, my work in higher education has made me realize the importance of MLA advocacy for libraries.

Who is one of your mentors?

My mother, who collaborated with my 3rd grade teacher, Mrs. Stanley, to teach me how to read.

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.

My Own Words; *Ruth Bader Ginsburg* is a great book about a great woman who has done great things! Most people do not realize the influential role this iconic supreme court justice played as a young lawyer to advance equal opportunities for women in the US.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with us?

If it weren't for access to public and school libraries with fantastic *librarians*, I probably still wouldn't know how to read!

Would you like to nominate someone to be our next Featured Library Employee? Examples could be:

- ...a new employee you'd like to introduce
- ...someone with a unique job or on a unique career path
- ...an employee you find inspirational
- ...a coworker whose gifts you wish were more widely known
- ...someone who's "an institution" full of interesting stories
- ...a role that has a new focus or is reaching a new audience
- ...someone you'd like to make more visible to potential employers

Submit name(s) and contact information, along with place of employment, to Shannon Mawhiney at smawhiney@missouristate.edu. We'll do all the work of contacting; we just need you to connect us!

MLA Membership Committee

Wrapping Up MLA Membership Meetups

The Membership Committee would like to thank all the attendees of our regional Membership Meetups this year. Beginning this summer, we have held well-attended meetups in Columbia, Kansas City, St. Louis, and just had our final two for the year at the Sikeston Public Library on November 7 and at the Springfield-Greene County Library on November 10.

These meetups have been great opportunities for MLA members and non-members to discuss what you'd like to see out of your membership with MLA and connect with other librarians in the area. We have had great conversations and good company at all our meetups this year and hope to continue with similar events in the future. We appreciate the chance to hear from you and meeting all those who attended!

Wolfner Library

Wolfner Library 2019 Adult Winter Reading Program

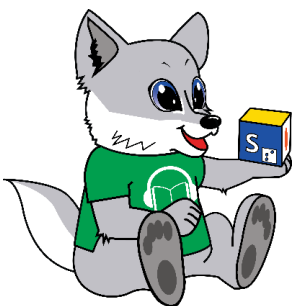
This year's program will feature the best of the best in Wolfner Library's collection. No matter what type of fiction or nonfiction patrons enjoy, there is a category for them.

For 2019, registration opens on Dec. 3, 2018, and the program will start Jan. 2 and run through March 4. The deadline for submitting the number of books read will be March 11, 2019. To qualify for prizes, patrons must read at least 10 titles from the provided reading list.

Patrons may elect to enjoy the program by category or by individual title.

This year's ten categories include:

- Agatha Award Winners
- Edgar Award Winners
- Hugo Awards
- National Book Awards
- RITA Award Winners
- Christy Award Winners
- Gateway Award Winners
- Man Booker Prize
- Pulitzer Prize Winners
- Spur Award Winners



Wolfner Library's Racing to Read is now in Spanish!

Wolfner Library is excited to announce that we now provide the Racing to Read early literacy program in Spanish! You can now visit the Spanish version of our early literacy program's site at www.sos.mo.gov/wolfner/programacion/wolfner-carrera-hacia-la-lectura. Registration for the Spanish Racing to Read can be found at <http://sgiz.mobi/s3/Wolfner-Carrera-Hacia-La-Lectura>.

Wolfner Library's English version of Racing to Read is available at <https://www.sos.mo.gov/wolfner/programming/wolfner-racing-to-read>.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Kits! Oh My!

Wolfner Library is thrilled to announce the launch of our latest collection available to schools and patrons: accessible STEM Kits! These STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Kits primarily target grade school-age kids, but kits for middle and high school students are also available. Many of the kits include print/braille components, so braille readers can use them with their sighted peers. Those interested in checking out a kit can find the full list with school standards at www.sos.mo.gov/wolfner/materials/stem-kits.



MOBIUS News

MOBIUS Welcomes New Member

MOBIUS is pleased to announce that the Central Arkansas Library System (CALs) has joined the consortium and will be going live with resource sharing later this fall. CALs, headquartered at the Little Rock Main Library, is the largest public library system in the state of Arkansas, serving a local population of over 400,000 out of fourteen branches. Nathan James, Deputy Executive Director of Technology & Collection Innovation at CALs, says of joining MOBIUS resource sharing, "Imagine building a new branch with 30 million items available by simply clicking 'Request.' That's what MOBIUS gives our patrons."

Celebrating Growth of Overdrive Shared Collection

The MOBIUS Overdrive Shared Collection is also growing. Nine additional libraries have joined the original eight, and the group has added more than 1,000 titles since the initial launch. Checkouts surpassed 6,000 in September 2018, and members can now access more than 11,000 titles. The collection was featured in an ACRL Choice Webinar on October 4, and will be profiled in an upcoming Overdrive case study.

MOBIUS is an early adopter of the academic shared collection structure, and our success is serving as a model for other academic organizations. For more information about joining the MOBIUS Overdrive Shared Collection, contact Christina Virden, E-Resources Coordinator at MOBIUS, at thompson@amigos.org.

Preparing for OER Commons Hub Launch

The MOBIUS OER Commons Hub is in the final phase of development and will go live this fall. OERC (Open Educational Resources Commons) uses a system of "Hubs" and "Groups" to highlight collections and facilitate collaboration around the sharing and creation of Open Educational Resources.

Each MOBIUS member library will be able to create its own "Group" within OER Commons for free. The hub will support the affordability and open educational resources initiatives of our member institutions, promote collaboration between members on issues related to OER, and develop a consortium-wide repository of high quality OER content for faculty use, increasing academic success and reducing costs for students across the consortium.

Missouri Evergreen

Wright County Library went live on Missouri Evergreen on October 29! Camden County Library and Seymour Community Library will migrate in spring 2019. Missouri Evergreen is still accepting new members and hopes you will join this wonderful resource-sharing consortium!

A panel of Missouri Evergreen members held an open forum at this year's Missouri Library Association Annual Conference, which drew twenty attendees. The panel shared information about different aspects of the consortium, about resource-sharing, and about the Evergreen ILS, and had time for questions from the audience.

Missouri Evergreen is in its seventh year and comprises 43 member systems--41 live on Evergreen--representing over 100 locations, containing more than 2.9 million items, over 1.3 million bibliographic records, and over 530,000 patrons.

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.



Amigos Member Spotlight

We're proud of our Amigos Library Services members and want to recognize the work that they do in their communities. Each month we will be showcasing an Amigos member library or institution. It's a great way for Amigos member, and non-members alike, to learn from and meet colleagues and peers.

Would you like your institution to be featured in our spotlight? Send us a message at communications@amigos.org

Member Discount Services Fall "One-Time Purchase" Offers

Check out our Fall promotions for "one-time purchase" collections from ASME, Credo, Emerald, Infobase, and Springer. These vendor partners are offering ebook, ejournal, or archive collections to Amigos members with special discounts for a limited time!

[Read more](#)

Makerspace Collection from DEMCO

Are you looking to start a makerspace in your library or school? Or maybe you would like to enhance the makerspace you currently have? DEMCO has you covered with the new [open-and-go makerspace solution](#). Pre-order this new Low-tech Making Collection with Challenge Guide to get your students designing, building, and learning.

Are you new to makerspaces? If so, a must-read for administrators is [DEMCO Tips and Ideas for September](#).

DEMCO is one of our discount direct vendor partners. Remember to use your Amigos discount code when ordering with DEMCO to get your discount!

Contact Susie Thompson at thompson@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2880 to get your member discount direct vendor codes and start saving!

Data Planet from SAGE Supports Your Research

With over 52 billion data points and 6.2 billion datasets, Data Planet is the resource for social science researchers and students to access statistics relevant to their areas of study. Newly added in 2018, this resource now contains the following US Department of Homeland Security databases for your research needs:

- **Refugees and Asylees** provides data on foreign nationals granted asylum or refugee status by the United States.
- **Naturalizations** provides statistics on the number of persons aged 18 years and older who became naturalized United States.
- **Nonimmigrant Admissions** offers statistics on nonimmigrant admissions into the United States.
- **Immigration Enforcement Actions** reports on actions taken by the Department of Homeland Security to prevent unlawful entry into the United States and to apprehend and repatriate aliens who have violated or failed to comply with US immigration laws.

Some of the subjects covered by Data Planet include Agriculture and Food, Banking/Finance, Education, Energy Resources and Industries, and Health and Vital Statistics. For a complete list of subjects covered, as well as other details please visit us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/dataplanet.

Amigos members enjoy special loyalty pricing from SAGE Publishing! For trial and pricing information, contact Chris Brown at brown@amigos.org or 800-843-8482, ext. 2843

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Continuing Education Opportunities

Does your library serve a growing population of foreign-language speakers?

Whatever population you are serving, bilingual storytime is a great way to engage with your community! Our latest course, [Diversify Your Programming with Bilingual Storytime](#), will cover the steps for creating a bilingual storytime, strategies for attracting patrons, and useful resources for developing your event.

[Register Now](#) – Wednesday, November 14, 1-3 p.m. CT

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. The course will cover MARC bibliographic, classification and categorization schemas, basic copy cataloging, and other areas essential to the cataloging department. Hands-on exercises will provide practice learning your new skills and all examples and exercises will be based on OCLC-MARC, accessed through the Connexion cataloging interface.

[Register Now](#) – December 4-13 (TU-TH), 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT

Learn tips for hosting a game night in your library!

Although we may not always think of them this way, games are a form of storytelling. Libraries and librarians have the opportunity to provide patrons with stories and information through games – in a variety of ways. Our latest course will cover how to plan and host a game night in your library, choosing the theme or unique game for your library, how game nights align with your library’s mission, and how to best market your event.

[Register Now](#) – Wednesday, December 12, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. CT *Early bird registration ends 11/20*

Know & Go Updates

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

- [Cultivating Community Partnerships](#) November 5
- [What Does Your Community Want? Using Google Search Data for Planning and Outreach](#) November 19
- [Publishing Your First LIS Journal Article – Tips for the Beginner](#) December 3
- [Deciphering Music Preferred Titles](#) December 10

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](#) November 13-16, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 10/22*
- [Step Away from the Desk: Embedded and Roving Reference Services](#) November 13, 2-4 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 10/22*
- [Diversify Your Programming with Bilingual Storytime](#) November 14, 1-3 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 10/23*
- [RDA for Copy Catalogers](#) November 28-29, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 11/6*
- [Cataloging & Classification Basics](#) December 4-13, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 11/12*
- [Getting Started with Grant Writing](#) December 4, 2-4 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 11/12*
- [Tips for Hosting a Game Night in Your Library](#) December 12, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 11/20*
- [Cataloging eBooks: RDA and Provider-Neutral Guidelines](#) December 19, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT – *Early bird registration ends 11/27*

SISLT

October is a busy month for conferences. It was great to see so many students, alumni, and faculty involved at all levels of MLA, and SISLT faculty want to give a big shout-out to everyone (almost 100 people) who attended the friends and alumni reception at



Melissa Carr,
NMLS Meritorious
Achievement Award



Otter Bowman,
Recipient of the Ronald G.
Bohley scholarship

Shakespeare's West. We began listing current students, alumni, and faculty members who served on the planning committee or presented papers or posters but realized it was too long for the newsletter. Suffice it to say that we were happy to see that our people are actively involved. We can congratulate our award winners, though: Otter Bowman, SISLT student and Library Associate at Daniel Boone Regional Library in Columbia, MO, who won the Ronald G. Bohley scholarship; Deanna Davis, alumnus, who won the Technical Services CI Call-to-Conference Award; and Melissa Carr, alumnus, who won the NMLA Meritorious Achievement Award. Congratulations also to alumni Debbie Luchenbill and Kimberly Moeller (conference coordinators) and Erin Gray (incoming President).

Student Groups

Our student groups that are putting together some excellent programs this year. The student group of the Association of the Society of Information Science & Technology (ASIST) is planning to offer 3 learning and sharing sessions this year with topics based on SIG ASIST group topics. Alex Urban, PhD student, is presenting a poster session at the ASIST national conference this Fall entitled, "*Fake It to Make It, Media Literacy, and Persuasive Design: Using the Functional Triad as a Tool for Investigating Persuasive Elements in a Fake News Simulator.*"

The Society of American Archivists at University of Missouri student chapter hosted an event and several members attended a tour of the National Archives Records Center in St. Louis on September 20. We have a speaker, Derek Munson, planned to talk to us about archives and theatre on Tuesday, October 16, and are planning a talk on conservation and preservation later in the semester.

Photographs courtesy of Brandy Sanchez via Twitter. Thank you!

University of Missouri – Columbia

Welcome to our new staff member!

Mizzou Libraries are delighted to welcome Tamara (Mara) Inge, who has been hired as a Senior Library Information Specialist at the Engineering Library & Technology Commons (ELTC). Mara has a Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Missouri and a Bachelor of Arts in Art History & Archaeology. She also holds an Associate degree in Applied Science in Horticulture as well as a certificate in Historic Preservation. Mara previously served for 12 years as Archivist at the University of Missouri Research Reactor (MURR). Before that she worked in Preservation at the National Archives and Records Administration. Mara's first project at the ELTC is a Tie-brary containing both neckties and bowties available for checkout.

Daniel Boone Regional Library

Introducing the DBRL Book Bike

Daniel Boone Regional Library is excited to introduce the Book Bike, the newest and smallest addition to our troupe of traveling libraries. It comes loaded with books that you can check out and a Wi-Fi hotspot, so we can create library cards on the spot. Our staff will travel with our portable library to community events throughout Boone and Callaway Counties.

Why a book bike?



One of our librarians, Seth Smith, is an avid cyclist who discovered these mini mobile libraries while researching what other libraries are doing across the country. “So many of these libraries are taking their book bikes to events and introducing new people to what their local library can do for them. It fits into spaces our bookmobiles cannot, is easy to set up and tear down, and we are able to attend more events with books and other library information in tow. We are also trying to reach patrons in historically underserved areas,” says Seth.

The first library book bike in the country was introduced in 2008 in Chicago, but DBRL’s is the first one in Missouri.

Once we decided to move forward with the Book Bike project, we visited with bike vendors and enthusiasts in our community, exploring funding sources to get the show on the road.

Through a collection of memorial gifts, the DBRL Foundation covered the out-of-pocket expenses. Walt’s Bike Shop provided the bike and trailer at cost and donated labor and consulting time. Alpine Builders constructed the Book Bike cabinet with no overhead or labor charges. PedNet provided consulting advice in the early stages of the project, and Columbia Parks and Recreation trained the nine volunteer bike riders on safe city cycling. “Thanks to these generous contributions and support, we were able to bring this service to the community affordably,” said Margaret Conroy, DBRL executive director.

“The Book Bike is a new and fun way for us to take our collections beyond the library walls to where people are and raise awareness of library services,” said Lauren Williams, DBRL adult and community services manager. “And if it’s too far for us to ride to an event, we’ll transport it over in one of the library’s delivery trucks. Look for us in parades, at local fairs, at food banks and other community events.”

One Read 2018

This September, Daniel Boone Regional Library patrons and staff enjoyed an amazing month of events related to this year’s *One Read* selection: “Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI” by David Grann. This is DBRL’s 17th year coordinating this community-wide reading program. More than 1,300 people attended 29 programs over the course of the month. The author’s visit was a true highlight, with Grann sharing the origins of this book project, the breadth and depth of his research and the captivating, yet devastating, story about our nation’s treatment of Native Americans.

One Read stands out from some other “one book, one community” programs in that we not only explore the topics in a book through discussions, but we also host lectures, films, art exhibits and more with partner organizations throughout our region.

In addition to the author’s visit, highlights included:

- The presentation “The Osage Nation: A Brief History” by Sarah O’Donnell of the Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office.
- A hands-on “Forensic Science 101” program presenting the history and current uses of various forensic methods. Attendees experimented with fingerprinting, blood spatter analysis, toxicology and more in this workshop by Dr. Melinda McPherson and students of Columbia College’s forensic science program.
- An interactive art exhibit by interdisciplinary Native American artist Sydney Jane Brooke Campbell Maybrier Pursel. Pursel transformed the iconic tipi into a mobile gallery of sorts on the Columbia Public Library’s front lawn, inviting visitors to explore and discuss issues of Native American representation, stereotyping and authenticity.



Mid-Continent Public Library

Annual ‘Veterans Salute’ Features Live Music, Displays, and More



Veterans were awarded a commemorative pin for attending the Library’s Veteran Salute event.

Highlights of the day included a keynote speech during the opening ceremony from Dr. Matthew Naylor, PhD, President and CEO of the National World War I Museum and Memorial, the display of a tiny house (an example of housing for veterans as part of the Veterans Community Project), and a Veteran Appreciation Pinning Ceremony led by Library leadership that honored attending veterans with a commemorative pin at the end of the day.

Phase II of Five-Year Capital Plan Launches

This September, Mid-Continent Public Library announced the launch of Phase II of its five-year Capital Improvement Plan, which calls for upgrades at all 31 MCPL branches and the addition of two new branches by 2022. The plan, made possible by increased funding from the passage of Proposition L by Library district voters in November 2016, has impacted eight branches to date with more to come soon.

Current construction projects (as of the beginning of October) include:

Branches Under Construction	Reopened	About to Start Construction
Excelsior Springs (reopening late Oct.)	Weston (Sept. 20)	Lone Jack (Oct. 17)
Antioch (reopening late Nov.)	Oak Grove (Oct. 10)	Camden Point (Nov.)
Blue Springs South (reopening late Nov.)		Dearborn (Nov.)
Midwest Genealogy Center Community Hall (open during construction)		Edgerton (Nov.)
Platte City (reopening in Nov.)		Kearney (Nov.)
		Claycomo (Dec.)

Mid-Continent Public Library was proud to once again host its annual Veterans Salute event, which pays tribute to the service and sacrifice of our nation’s service members. This year’s event was held on Saturday, September 22, at the Library’s Midwest Genealogy Center (MGC) and was attended by more than 1,000 visitors.

The daylong event, which this year honored the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice of 1918 that ended fighting during World War I, offered attendees of all ages the chance to demonstrate their gratitude for service members and enjoy displays of artifacts, activities, and military vehicles, as well as performances by the American Legion Band of Kansas City. Visitors were also able to tour the *Over There: Missouri and The Great War* exhibit, developed by the Springfield-Greene County Library and Missouri Humanities Council, on display at MGC through October 28.

Patrons Trade Food for Fines

MCPL’s biannual food drive, Food for Fines, has now collected more than 115,000 donations since it launched in 2014. In the latest drive this September, the Library’s branches collected more than 12,300 items that were donated to local charities and food pantries in exchange for reducing customers’ fines by \$1 per item. The Library offers Food for Fines twice a year—leading into the summer to encourage active participation in the Summer Learning Program and in the fall to alleviate any barriers for children needing materials during the school year. In addition to its Food for Fines program, several MCPL branches also partner with Harvesters to offer meals for kids throughout the school year. [Learn more.](#)



Library staff pose with food collected through the Food for Fines program, which benefits local charities and food pantries.

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The Library also recently announced that its Red Bridge Branch will be relocated to a larger building in the Red Bridge Shopping Center, which will be leased from the LANE4 Property Group and renovated for Library use. The renovation is scheduled to take place beginning in early winter and conclude in summer 2019. In the meantime, the current branch will remain open.

The Library also announced the acquisition of a property in Lee's Summit, Mo., at Blue Parkway and Battery Road just east of Todd George Road (just north of 50 Highway) where the Library intends to erect a brand new 18,500-square-foot branch with a wide array of amenities, program spaces, special areas for children and teens, and upgraded technology. This new branch will be the third in the rapidly growing community.

The Library is working with Sapp Design Architects, Helix Architecture + Design, and JE Dunn to complete all of the work in the Capital Plan. In addition to all the physical upgrades, the increased funding approved by voters in 2016 allowed MCPL to expand branch hours, enhance special services, augment early literacy efforts, and buy more books, movies, and music.

More information about these improvements and closures can be found online at the Library's [community website](#).



The Kearney library branch's proposed changes. Construction will begin in November.

Midwest Genealogy Center Celebrates Family History Month



The Midwest Genealogy Center is home to numerous programs and activities to help patrons research and record their histories.

This October, Mid-Continent Public Library's [Midwest Genealogy Center](#) encouraged customers to celebrate Family History Month in six different ways:

- Visiting the Midwest Genealogy Center. MGC offers 52,000 square feet of resources and a dedicated and friendly staff to help customers with their research. They can even sign up for a free [Ancestry Library Edition](#) account to use in the Library. In addition to its extensive physical and digital resources, the Library hosted a unique exhibit called [Over There: Missouri and the Great War](#), which tells the story of Missourians and their unique role in WWI, from mid-September through the month of October. The Library also offered a digital Family History Month Scavenger Hunt, available on smartphones through the free GooseChase app. Those who earned 1,000 or more points by completing missions at the Library and at home were entered to win the grand prize of two Ancestry DNA kits.
- Using free online genealogy resources through MGC including [Ancestry Library Edition](#), [Fold3 Library Edition](#), and

HeritageQuest Online.

- Preserving oral history using MGC's [Tell Me a Story](#) oral history program. Through this program, customers can capture and preserve cherished family stories and memories with kits that can be checked out and taken home, or by using the recording equipment inside the Midwest Genealogy Center. After completing a recording, MGC staff will provide a copy for customers to keep, and with their permission, archive another copy to the online collection for others to enjoy.
- Creating a keepsake that can be passed down, such as a book with family stories and recipes, which could be printed on the [Espresso Book Machine at MCPL's Woodneath Library Center](#), a print-on-demand tool that can be used to self-publish work.
- Attending a genealogy research class at the Midwest Genealogy Center or other branches.
- Fill out a family tree using forms available through [the Center's website](#). There are even [coloring sheets](#) and [kid-friendly family trees](#) to get the whole family involved.

Springfield-Greene County Library District

Welcome Videos Planned for Non-English Speaking Families

Library Training Assistant Jacob Helterbrand has been filming and editing “Welcome” videos narrated by individuals in five languages as part of an outreach to non-English speaking families. When complete, the videos will briefly explain library services in Arabic, Burmese, Russian, Spanish and Swahili. Library staff will then work with community partners to help promote the videos to immigrants and refugees they serve. The project and equipment are funded through an \$8,403 Library Service Improvement Grant provided through Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft’s office. The Library will partner with the Springfield Public School District’s English Language Learners, or ELL, Program to reach the largest number of refugee and immigrant children and families in the area. The Library will host family literacy nights at the schools to show the videos and provide translated library materials.

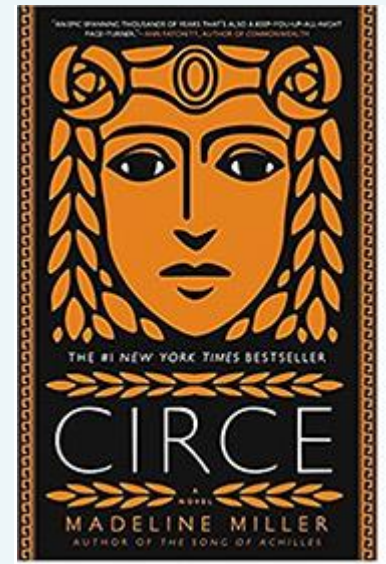
LibraryCon 2018: 1 day, 47 exhibitors, 5,146 fans



outs of working in comics and table top gaming, and made new friends to play table top games with. For FREE!”

Library Chooses “Circe” as 2019 One Read Title

The mythological fiction novel “Circe” by Madeline Miller was chosen as the 2019 One Read title. The One Read committee will host Miller on April 11 during the annual celebration of a book, and are planning programs in April based around the book’s themes.



The numbers said it all. The Aug. 18 LibraryCon at the Library Center bested last year’s 4,000-plus attendance with 5,146 excited fans. “These people all saw a joyous celebration composed of people of all walks of life in their local library!” said Library Center Manager Jessie East. “Our visitors saw beautiful artwork, clever craftsmanship, and innovative costumes, found a great new author to fall in love with, sang a finger-rhyme about Darth Vader, talked with their favorite superhero, learned how to podcast, got tons of free swag, learned the ins and

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Everyone Was Wild About Harry



All 10 library branches declared their Potter-world houses in September and launched a three-month celebration of Harry Potter’s arrival in the U.S. 20 years ago. Décor ran from wanted wizard selfie stations to Dementor to a flying dragon. Programs drew all ages. From September–November, grades 2–12 can pick up a Potter Passport, have it stamped at five branches, and turn it in to receive an exclusive invitation to the Yule Ball in January 2019.

Great American Read Kicks Off with Lively Author Panel



Authors Nancy Allen, David Harrison and Dr. Christie Cathey kept 31 adults laughing and engaged during a panel discussion at the kickoff of the Library’s Great American Read series on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the Library Center. Springfield-based mystery writer Nancy Allen took the opportunity to enthusiastically plug the new book she wrote with James Patterson, “Juror #3.” After the panel, the Library aired the live premiere of the PBS Great American Read Fall Kickoff special. The series continued on Friday, Sept. 14, at Lindberg’s Tavern with Wild Bob’s Musical Book Club.



Cardinals Promotion Nets 300-plus Books for Outreach

More children and teens served by Outreach staff will have a book to call their own soon, thanks to a Springfield Cardinals book drive for the Library at its Tuesday, Aug. 28, game. The Cardinals offered to admit people to the game for \$1 if they donated a new book for kids that night. The promotion brought in over 329 books.



Seventy-five literature lovers took over Lindberg’s to hear Wild Bob’s Musical Book Club perform songs inspired by their picks from PBS’ list of America’s 100 most-loved books. Thirteen musicians performed songs inspired by everything from “Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy” and “The Portrait of Dorian Gray.” Check out some of the performances on YouTube.

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“More to the Story” Project Wins Missouri Press Award



The Local History and Springfield News-Leader staffs collaborated on a program Nov. 4, 2017, at the Library Center called “More to the Story: News Clips and You.” People were invited to bring in old newspaper clippings and photos from Springfield’s past to help the newspaper and the Library preserve a more complete history of the city and its people. The project recently received a second-place Community Service Award by the Missouri Press Association.

Timed around the News-Leader’s 150th anniversary, News-Leader staff interviewed the people at the Library event about the stories and the people profiled in the news clips they brought in. The News-Leader also published a special 150th anniversary section about the stories they collected during the project.

Business Resource Fair Draws Entrepreneurs, Dreamers



Nearly 100 small business owners and organizations attended the Tuesday, Sept. 25, Small Business Resource Fair at the Library Center. The event, sponsored by the Library and the Small Business Majority, featured information from local resource providers and shared services designed to help individuals start, operate and expand their business.

Eleven partner organizations including the Library’s Jeana Gockley and Jim Schmidt gave presentations while more than 20 organizations hosted informational booths at the fair. Local business support agencies presented information on free and low-cost resources they provide such as: financial literacy, networking, mentoring, micro-loan programs, government designations, credit building, angel investing, rural programs and grants, technical assistance and more.

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Poplar Bluff Municipal Library

Commemorating World War I, One Hundred Years Later: Poplar Bluff Library Celebrates Local Veterans



Poplar Bluff Municipal Library with the Daughters of the American Revolution, the John J. Pershing Medical Center, Stars and Stripes Museum, Poplar Bluff History Museum and many veterans' organizations including VFW Quartermaster Post #6477 presented an exhibit honoring World War I veterans. World War I photos and artifacts, a complete World War I army and navy uniform, and a facsimile of Star windows depicted a war fought on foreign soil with high numbers of casualty rates never seen before. Photos of veterans were solicited and collected from five counties (Butler, Carter, Dunklin, Stoddard, and Wayne) of soldiers in their uniforms as they prepared to leave for war in 1917-1918. These soldiers served in France and Germany. With these photos are written accounts and other documents shared by family members with draft registration cards, applications for grave markers, ship manifests, and postcards collected by the Library.

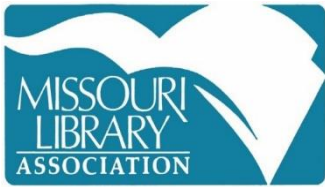
Poplar Bluff History Museum, for this exhibit, loaned World War I artifacts, dog tags, a letter from King George the Fifth, a uniform, helmet and other items. Daughters of the American Revolution created replicas of star window to hang in the library, children from the library's story time made poppies for the displays and for distribution on November 11. Stars and Stripes Museum provided copies of Stars and Stripes articles published around the date of the end of the war.



Not only does the library provide this exhibit but supplemented with various library programming. It featured two Sunday matinees of World War I films. On September 30, at 2 p.m. the library showed *Sergeant York* starring Gary Cooper. October 21, at 2 p.m., the featured film was *War Horse* directed by Steven Spielberg. The Screen Team, a local radio program, aired reviews on November 10, 2018. These reviews were archived on the radio station's YouTube channel of *War Horse*, *Sergeant York*, and *All Quiet on the Western Front*. The library-sponsored Sunday Afternoon Book Club read *Silent Night* by Stanley Weintraub.

On November 11, at 2 p.m. in the Library theater, there was a presentation by a representative of the John J. Pershing Veterans Administration Medical Center. World War I veterans impacted the future of veterans and veterans' benefits. With this presentation the speaker described this evolution from World War I until today. In addition, Lonny Thiele talked about Missouri mules and this contribution to the war effort. In addition, vintage footage of horse and mules displayed the work and support of animals for an increasingly mechanized armament.

Each of the items in the exhibit, the movies, and World War I presentations provided library visitors with a sense of the war both in Europe and at home. Over 400 attended the programs and viewed the exhibit.



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