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Alexandria - April 26-28

NOTES & TRACINGS

Chair's Column by Denise Goetting

Although conference will be held in April this year, it's just around the corner and coming quickly. Pre-registration has begun and is due by March 24, 2005. This year's LLA conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Centre in Alexandria on Tuesday, April 26 through Thursday, April 28. According to the Conference Committee, rooms at the Holiday Inn are going quickly. See the LLA web site at www.laonline.org for current information on programs, registration fees, and lodgings.

Jeremy Landry, our Vice Chair/Chair Elect, has lined up some interesting programs for the Academic section. On Wednesday morning, Jill Emery of the University of Houston will present "Much Ado about Serials" a program in which the audience will participate in discussions about issues relating to serials. Also on Wednesday morning Ashley Bonnette of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette will talk

about her experience in the spring of 2004 in "Semester at Sea: An Incredible Opportunity for Global Education and Enrichment."

Later Wednesday morning Alexia Sheck and Beth Stahr of Southeastern Louisiana University will present a program on chat reference entitled "Virtual Reference Service: Challenge and Opportunities." Following this presentation is the Academic Section business meeting. Then on Wednesday afternoon Lisa Muilenburg of Nunez Community College will speak on "Educating and Empowering Students to Become Life Long Library Users."

On Thursday there will be five programs sponsored by the Academic Section. In the morning, "Digital Reference @Your Library: Yes, It Is Possible" will be presented by John Burger of ASERL and Vince Mariner of Ask a Librarian Service; "Seek and Ye Should Find: Maybe or Maybe Not: The Louisiana State Library in the



19th Century," a history of the State Library from 1844 to 1900 by Judith Haydel of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette; and, "Educating for the Future: Copyright and Intellectual Property in the Distance Education Environment," a talk by Jud Copeland of LSUE.

Thursday afternoon's programs are "Empower Your Library with Federated Searching" including a discussion of the implementation of WebFeat presented by Eric Johnson of Southeastern Louisiana University and Riley Bordelon of the State Library; and, "Library Signage: Useful Tools or Visual Pollution," an update on the signage project at Edith Garland Dupre Library by Sheryl Curry and Jean Kiesel of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

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Library News

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Paul Kelsey, Collection Development Coordinator, and **Mohan Ramaswamy** published "Designing a Successful Library School Field Experience" in a forthcoming issue of *Library Management* (vol. 26, no.3, 2005).

Melanie Sims, Reference Librarian, published "Inspirational Literature" in *African American Literature: A Guide to Reading Interests*, Westport, CN : Libraries Unlimited, 2004: 151-191. The book was edited by **Alma Dawson**, LSU SLIS, and **Connie Van Fleet**.

Sigrid Kelsey, Electronic Reference Services and Web Development Coordinator, and **Ted Chaffin** from Southern University presented "Flash – Targeting Undergraduates with Interesting, Interactive, Innovative and Explosive Twists on Everyday Online Tutorials," at the LOUISIANA Users Annual Conference in Baton Rouge in October. A good example of this is Sigrid Kelsey's Flash Tutorial on Boolean Searching: <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/ref/flash/Boolean.html>.

Jessica Patterson (LSU Libraries' Reference Librarian) presented a Patent & Trademark Workshop at the East Baton Rouge Parish Main Library on December 5, 2004. An article about the workshop appeared in the Advocate on December 6. She presented another workshop on January 29, 2005, at the East Baton Rouge Parish Baker Library. Patterson was recently appointed to the 2006 ALA Business Reference and Services Section (BRASS) Program Planning Committee.

Mark Martin, Assistant Curator of Special Collections, was recently elected Treasurer of the Louisiana Archives and

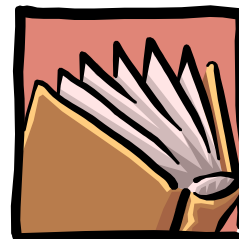
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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY ALEXANDRIA

Bonnie Hines has joined the library faculty with primary responsibility for collection development, but will also serve as the library's systems administrator. Hines was previously a librarian at Louisiana College in Pineville.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Edward Iglesias, Systems Librarian, is serving as the President of the Louisiana chapter of ACRL in 2005.



MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

Funding has been secured for much-needed renovations and repairs to the Library building. A local architectural firm has been contracted, though the start date remains uncertain.

Ms. Jessica Hutchings, a recent graduate of the University of Oklahoma's Library and Information Science program, will assume the position of Reference Librarian starting on March 1, 2005.

McNeese University Library has become an AMIGOS general member, thus increasing borrowing capabilities in InterLibrary Loan.

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McNeese State University participates in the Louisiana Digital Library

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Last year, the Archives and Special Collections Department of Frazar Memorial Library began a project to digitize and catalog its photographs for the Louisiana Digital Library. The “Historic Photographs of Southwest Louisiana,” a digital collection, consists of a selection from the approximately 3,000 photographs held by the Archives Department. The Archives staff collected the photographs from individual donations, purchases, and photo fairs held in the area. The photographs document McNeese State University, Lake Charles, and the Imperial Calcasieu region from the early 1890s to the present.

Of particular note are the photographs Maude Reid collected. Miss Reid was the first public health nurse in Calcasieu Parish and established several free clinics for the poor. In addition to her work in public health, Reid served as the unofficial historian of Lake Charles, collecting photographs, postcards, pamphlets, and clippings into scrapbooks. Today her materials give researchers insight into daily life in Lake Charles from the 1890s to the 1950s.

Photographs in the collection also document major events in the area’s history, including the Great Fire of 1910, the 1918 Hurricane, Prohibition rallies, and Hurricane Audrey in 1957. Other photographs follow the history of McNeese, from its inception in 1939 to the present. Finally, the collection includes images of historic homes and buildings documenting Lake Charles’ unique architecture.

The digitization project arose as a result of an increase in research requests for photographs. Before the Library’s participation in the Digital Library, users of the collection would have to visit the archives department in person to peruse the photographs or

contact a staff member who must perform the research for the user. The inherent visual nature of photographs made the task of distant reference service difficult. The archives staff had only a rudimentary list of photograph titles to consult. The list does not include subject matter, descriptions, or format information. In responding to a photograph request, the staff member had to convert visual information into verbal information and communicate it to the patron. This task often proved tedious, time consuming, and frustrating for both the staff and patrons.

The Archives Department’s photograph collection draws a diverse group of users, including national businesses using the photographs for promotional materials, faculty members documenting the history of the area, and McNeese undergraduate students using the images to support their class-work. The versatility of information in the photograph collection speaks to scholars of almost every academic discipline, from history, sociology, literature and art to chemistry and graphic design. Internet accessibility has increased the overall use of the Photograph Collection exponentially by users from both inside and outside the McNeese community. In using the Photograph Collection for class work, students acquire skills in information literacy and historical research methodologies, as well as a greater understanding of the power of visual information. Finally, McNeese enjoys intangible benefits through worldwide exposure to truly unique items documenting the University and Southwest Louisiana.



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SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY

Janie Branham, with **Belita Schilling**, conducted a three-day SIRSI serials control training workshop at Sims Library attended by librarians and support staff from institutions across the state.

An article, "Enhancing Access to IEEE Conference Proceedings: A Case Study in the Application of IEEE Xplore Full Text and Table of Contents Enhancements," coauthored by **JB Hill** and **Cherie Madarash-Hill**, was published in *Science and Technology Libraries*. The article also appeared in the book *Innovations in Science and Technology Libraries*, published by Haworth Press.

Rodney Clare Jackman's article "Louisiana Libraries and the USA PATRIOT Act: The Need for Confidentiality Policies," co-authored with Martha Kegel, was published in the Summer 2004 issue of *Louisiana Libraries*.

Dayne Sherman spoke at two events at the Louisiana Book Festival: The Spoken Word Tent for *Country Roads Magazine* (a reading from his novel, *Welcome to the Fallen Paradise*), and a talk about the novel. *Welcome to the Fallen Paradise* (McAdams Cage) was selected as a recommended title for January 2005 by the American Booksellers Association Book Sense program and a "best debut" of 2004 by the New Orleans *Times-Picayune*. This past fall Sherman also spoke and gave readings at the Walker Percy Symposium, sponsored by the St. Tammany Parish Library, and at the Southern Writers Reading Conference in Fairhope, Alabama; was a panelist for a discussion titled "Bullets and Long Blades: Novels of Surviving in a Violent South" held at the Southern Festival of Books in Memphis, Tennessee; and was a panelist for "The Way to the Reader's Heart: Strong, Believable, Immediately-Engaging Characters" at the Words and Music Conference in New Orleans. His article "A Writer Dreaming" was published in the Fall 2004 issue of *Louisiana Bookman*, a quarterly newsletter dedicated to the used and antiquarian book market in Louisiana. Sherman was interviewed on November 11 for The Emerging Writers Forum by Dan

Wickett (online at http://www.breaktech.net/EmergingWritersForum/View_Interview.aspx?id=107) and by LSU English Professor Dr. Don Moore on WRKF 89.3 in Baton Rouge, a public radio station; the program aired on November 20. An interview with Sherman also appears in the Fall 2004 issue of *Louisiana Libraries*.

Lori Smith's book *Tapping State Government Information Sources* (Greenwood), which she edited and co-authored, was selected by *Choice* as one of the outstanding academic titles of 2004. **Eric Johnson** contributed ten chapters to that book. Smith received the Margaret T. Lane Award from LLA's GODORT for the book and her continuing work with GODORT.

Beth Stahr was elected to a one year term as President of the Board for Certification of Genealogists® at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees in October in Salt Lake City. She also co-authored with Sharon Sholars Brown the Louisiana chapter for *Red Book: American State, County & Town Sources*, 3rd ed., published by Ancestry.

Sims Library was represented at LUC 2004 by **Laverne Simoneaux** presenting on "Information Literacy Initiatives in Louisiana" with other members of the LALINC Information Literacy Committee; **Janie Branham**, providing an overview of Southeastern's use of SIRSI's serials control module and co-presenting a session on use of workflow reports in serials management; **Jean Caswell** co-presenting on EZProxy; and **Alexia Sheck, JB Hill** and **Ladonna Guillot**, discussing "Digital Reference Initiatives in Louisiana."

Paul Haschak made a presentation at the Charleston Conference in November entitled "Overcoming Barriers to Independent Scholarly Publishing: Going Outside of the Commercial Mainstream."



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TULANE UNIVERSITY

Kate Montgomery, Digital Services Librarian, and **Ariana French**, Web Analyst, gave a poster session entitled "Web Applications As Tools for Improving Internal Communication Within the Library," at the LITA National Forum on October 10, 2004 in St. Louis, MO.

Ed Rock, Information Services Librarian (Humanities)/Digital Reference Coordinator, has been appointed to the LALINC Digital Reference Committee for the term 2004-2006. Rock was also a member of a

panel presentation at the LUC Conference on Oct. 19, 2004, entitled: "Digital Reference Initiatives In Louisiana" offered by Tulane, LSU and SLU on the academic libraries providing synchronous, virtual reference services in the state.

Paul Bary, Reference Librarian & Bibliographer in the Latin American Library, attended the ARL/CRL Latin American Research Resources Project (LARRP) advisory committee meeting at the Association of Research Libraries in Washington, D.C.

on December 7, 2004. As chair of the serials working group, he reported on the progress of the Latin American Periodicals Tables of Contents (LAPTOC) database, which he coordinates. LAPTOC is a searchable database of the tables of contents of more than 800 Latin American journals, primarily in the humanities and social sciences, and the database is freely available at:
http://www1.lanic.utexas.edu/query/basic_search.jsp.

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UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

Vivica Smith Pierre has joined the faculty at Dupré Library as Records Management/General Reference Librarian. Vivica has served as Assistant Professor of Business at California State University and Georgia State University. Her degrees include Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Juris Doctorate, Master of Laws, and Master of Library Science. Before coming to Dupré Library, she was Head of Access Services at South Louisiana Community College.

Sherry T. Broussard,

Special Projects Librarian, recently completed the master's degree program in Reading and Storytelling at East Tennessee State University. She is a Louisiana State Roster Artist and presents programs for schools, parent groups, and other community organizations.

Sheryl Curry, as an appointed member of the Louisiana DEQ Task Force, contributed to *2002 Louisiana Environmental Inventory Report*, the most recent consolidation of state data from Emissions Inventory (EI),

Toxic Emissions Data Inventory (TEDI), and Toxic Release Inventory (TRI). It is available in pdf format at:
<http://www.deq.state.la.us/evaluation/TRI/LEI2002.pdf>.

Judith Haydel, reference librarian, contributed nine entries to the three volumes of *Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America*, a 2005 Sharpe Reference publication.

Denise Goetting, Head of Cataloging, has been appointed chair of the Continuing Education Com-

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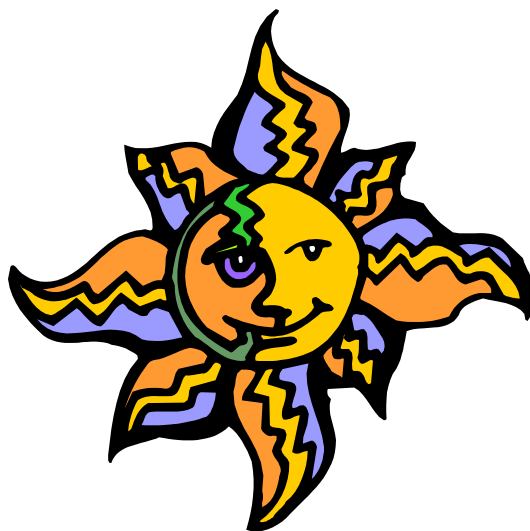
Tulane's Library Hosts SALALM Secretariat

Beginning in September 2005, the Howard-Tilton Memorial Library will host the Seminar for the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM) for a period of three years. The Secretariat will be located at The Latin American Library. This comes as a result of Tulane's decades of leadership commitment to collections, research, and education on the field of Latin American Studies.

Begun in 1956, SALALM is the premier association devoted to the acquisition and dissemination of research library materials from Latin America and the Caribbean. The organization's annual conferences are held at various host institutions in Europe and the Americas, and serve to promote cooperation between librarians, professors, booksellers and publishers in order to ensure the strengthening of Latin American bibliographic collections around the world. SALALM boasts approximately five hundred individual members, one hundred fifty institutional members, and twenty institutional sponsors, including Tulane.

The Secretariat functions as the headquarters of the organization, and manages all activities related to membership, publications, coordination of the annual meetings, and committees. Currently hosted by the University of Texas at Austin and housed at the Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection, the Secretariat will occupy an office on the fourth floor of Tulane's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library. SALALM will fund two support staff positions as well as supplies and equipment.

Hortensia Calvo, Doris Stone Director of The Latin American Library, will serve as the Executive Secretary of SALALM, helping to achieve the organization's goals of improving collections, resources, records, and accessibility of bibliographic materials in Latin America, Europe and the United States.



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mittee of LLA for the remainder of the 2005 fiscal year.

Denise Goetting and **Betsy Miguez** presented the talk "From Cinderella to Ella Enchanted" at the Louisiana Book Festival on November 6, 2004 and at the Louisiana Association of School Librarians Midwinter Conference on January 22, 2005. The presentation is based on research for their book, *Newbery and Caldecott Awards: A Subject Index*, co-authored with **Susan Richard** and **Sheryl**

Curry.

Jean Kiesel, Louisiana Room Librarian, and **Edye Mayers**, Assistant Professor of Curriculum and Instruction, have received a grant from Nextbook and the American Library Association to hold a reading and discussion series on Jewish literature at the Lafayette Public Library next fall. The theme chosen is "Demons, Golems and Dybbuks: Monsters of the Jewish Imagination." The series will feature *Satan in Goray* by Isaac Bashevis

Singer, *The Dybbuk* by S. Ansky, *Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka, *The Puttermesser Papers* by Cynthia Ozick, and *Angels in America* by Tony Kushner. Dr. Charles Isbell, Professor and Director of Jewish Studies at Louisiana State University, will lead the discussions.

Bruce Turner, Head of Archives and Special Collections, has been appointed to the board of the Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association through 2006.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS

The Louisiana and Special Collections Department received a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities to preserve the archives of the Louisiana Supreme Court, 1890-1904. This undertaking has been designated a "We the People" project in recognition of its promotion of the knowledge and understanding of American history.

Florence M. Jumonville, chair of the Louisiana

and Special Collections Department, contributed an article to the Spring 2004 issue of *Library Trends*, a theme issue on "Pioneers in Library and Information Science." In "The Role of the State in the Organization of Statewide Library Service: Essae M. Culver, Louisiana's First State Librarian," Jumonville examines Essae Culver's influence on the early development of parish libraries. At last summer's annual meeting of the Theatre Library Association,

Jumonville presented "After the Ball Is Over and the Parade Passes By: Carnival Materials in New Orleans Libraries."

Michelle Jacobs was recently hired as Information Literacy Librarian at the University of New Orleans. Jacobs received her M.L.I.S. from Pratt Institute in New York and most recently was a Reference Services Librarian at Occidental College in Los Angeles.

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Another program of interest to academics is a program sponsored by LASL, "Stress Management in the Workplace," which will discuss the warning signs of stress and burn-out at work. Virginia Meeker of Creative Healthcare Management, Inc. will present.

Please make plans to attend the 1st General Session to be held on Wednesday from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. The Academic Section will present the Outstanding Academic Librarian Award at this session and there will be an Awards Reception/ Conference Social following. The 2nd General Session and Business Meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon from 4:00 – 6:00 and will be followed by a cash bar from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. The finale will be the Book Dinner with speaker Julie Smith, an award winning mystery writer from New Orleans.

Thanks again to Jeremy Landry, Vice Chair/Chair Elect, who has done a fantastic job of organizing the programs for the Academic Section.

Candidates for Office 2005/2006

Vice Chair/Chair Elect

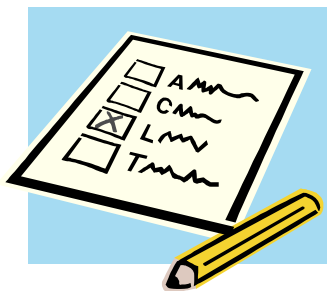
Jud Copeland, LSUE

Beth Stahr, Southeastern

Secretary

Ashley Bonnette, UL Lafayette

Janet Woolman, McNeese



ACRL/LA

The Louisiana chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL/LA) met for a business meeting on January 7, 2005, at Edith Garland Dupre on the campus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. A statewide Information Literacy workshop, **Information Literacy: Time for a Comprehensive Plan**, was facilitated by Mary MacDonald and Joanna Burkhardt from the University of Rhode Island.

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Manuscripts Association (LAMA).

Hill Memorial Library's current exhibition is "Portraits of a River City: Natchez and Her People, 1851 - 1951," on view January 24 - April 9, 2005. The exhibition was curated by **Mark Martin** and mounted by **Leah Jewett**, Exhibitions Coordinator with Special Collections. See <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/special/exhibits/current.html> for more details.

Special Collections has been awarded two grants. In October 2004 the department received a project grant of \$116,759 through the state Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund to begin the Coastal Research Gray Literature Database Project. This collaborative project between LSU and the Louisiana Governor's Office of Coastal Activities aims to locate, preserve, and provide access to coastal Louisiana gray literature. Additionally, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission has awarded a 30-month, \$196,140 grant to fund microfilming and creating an improved finding aid for the Historical Records Survey transcriptions of parish police jury minutes. The collection comprises over 200 linear feet and represents 130 years of county-level records for the state of Louisiana. The grant began January 1, 2005.

Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference

Holiday Inn Convention Centre, Alexandria - April 26 – April 28, 2005

Featured Speakers

Nancy Polette will be the featured speaker for the LASL Author Luncheon. She is a Professor at Lindenwood University and St. Charles Community College. She is the author of two picture books: *The Little Old Woman and the Hungry Cat* and *The Hole by the Apple Tree*, plus over 150 professional books including: *Building Brain Power with Books*; *Research without Copying*.

Dr. Darrell Bourque will be the featured speaker for the Public and Trustees Sections Luncheon. He is a poet whose published works include: *The Blue Boat*, *Plainsongs*, *The Doors Between Us*, and *Burnt Water Suite*. He is currently Professor Emeritus of English at University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Julie Smith will be the featured speaker for the Book Dinner. She has written nineteen mystery novels and is the 1991 winner of the **Edgar Allen Poe Award** for best novel for *New Orleans Mourning*. She is a resident of New Orleans, a former reporter for the New Orleans *Times-Picayune* and the San Francisco

Registration

(Holiday Inn Convention Centre)

Tuesday, April 26
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
(Riverfront Center)
Wednesday, April 27
7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 28
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Exhibits

(Riverfront Center)

Wednesday, April 27
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Grand Opening Ceremony
9:30 a.m.
Thursday, April 28
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Internet Café

(Riverfront Center)

Wednesday, April 27
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 28
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26, 2005

“Strategic Thinking and Planning” Pre-conference. Registration \$20 LLA members, \$30 non-members.

Presenter: Bob Bradley

Holiday Inn Convention Centre, Plantation Room

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

“Supervision Made Simple: Remember, Simple Doesn’t Mean Easy!”

Pre-conference. Registration \$20 LLA members, \$30 non-members

Holiday Inn Convention Centre, Red River C

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Supervision tips for 1st time supervisors, new supervisors or supervisors needing a new approach. Speakers: Kathryn Brown, Director, Lincoln Parish Library & Bethany Ponder, Director, Natchitoches Parish Library. Public

LLA Executive Board Meeting

Holiday Inn Convention Centre, Red River A

Tuesday, Hospitality 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.; Meeting 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27, 2005

GODORT/CIS Breakfast with Kirk Cordell

Wednesday, 8:00 – 8:50 a.m.

(Ticketed event by pre-registration only.)

Government information on National Parks preservation activities from the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, located in Natchitoches, LA. Speaker: Kirk Cordell, Executive Director of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. GODORT/ CIS.

Best Books for Children

Wednesday, 8:00 – 9:50 a.m.

Highlights the best books for children in the past year. Speaker, Dawn Pinkston, Retired Librarian. LASL

Educate, Enrich and Empower for Diversity

Wednesday, 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Panel discussion on strategies and methods for recruiting, developing collections, and increasing services for diverse populations. Speakers: Antoinette Caraway, Academic Librarian and College Instructor, St. Petersburg College, Clearwater, Florida ; Alma Dawson, Jackie Jones, and Melanie Sims on the recent publication, [African American Readers Advisor: A Guide to Reading Interest](#). Public/Minority Recruitment Interest Group

Education for Speedy Library PCs, Networks, and Internet

Wednesday, 8:00 – 9:20 a.m.

Two presenters will give tips on what users can do to speed up the performance of their PCs/Networks/Internet Access. Speakers: Blair Woodmansee, Systems Administrator, Calcasieu Parish Library; Adam Melancon, Systems Administrator, Vermilion Parish Library. LaSSAL & Subject Specialists

Enrich Your Library Services with Wireless Hotspots

Wednesday, 8:00 – 8:50 a.m.

Speaker: John Morris, System Administrator, Beauregard Parish Library. Public

Much Ado about Serials

Wednesday, 8:00 – 9:20 a.m.

Presenter and audience will discuss issues relating to working with serials. New technology, solutions to some problems, and ways to enhance the work environment with also be discussed. Speaker: Jill Emery, University of Houston. Academic

Mold: How to Combat, Alleviate, and Prevent Future Mold Outbreaks.

Wednesday, 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Speaker: Andy Damico, Howard Tilton Library, Tulane University. Subject Specialist & Preservation Interest Group

Semester at Sea: An Incredible Opportunity for Global Education and Enrichment

Wednesday, 8:30 – 9:20 a.m.

The duties and responsibilities of the Assistant Librarian position during the Spring 2004 Semester At Sea voyage on the S.S. Universe Explorer, the program’s floating campus. Speaker: Ashley E. Bonnette, Assistant Professor, Edith Garland Dupre Library, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Academic

Grand Opening of Exhibits

Wednesday, 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Louisiana Young Readers’ Choice Program for Grades 3-5

Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Book talks and handouts with study guides including ideas for classroom activities will be presented for the titles on the 2006 LYRC ballot for grades 3-5. Speaker: Gale Criswell, Youth Services Consultant, State Library of Louisiana. LASL

The Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities (LEH) Showcases Award Winning Programs for Your Library

Wednesday, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

The LEH can provide turnkey programs that educate, enrich, and empower all individuals and families. PRIME TIME targets underserved families and RELIC offers adult readers opportunities to read and exchange ideas in libraries and other public settings. This presentation details these models and provides information for obtaining grants to integrate these programs into your libraries’ schedules.

Speakers: Faye Flanagan, LEH (PRIME TIME FAMILY READING TIME) and Jim Segreto, LEH (RELIC) Public



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Fabulous Funky & Almost Free: Cheap Crafts for Teens

Wednesday, 10:00 - 11:20 a.m.

How to have teen craft programs with little funding. Speaker: Candie Chatham, Graphic Artist, OPPL, Art Dept. Public

Preschool Outreach Plus – The Winner of the President’s Council On the Arts and Humanities *Coming Up Taller* Award

Wednesday, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

Applying for the award, winning and what it has meant. Also information on how to replicate the program in your library. Speakers: Susan Baker and Sheilah Kosco, Rapides Parish Library. Public/Outreach Services/Bookmobile Interest Group

Virtual Reference Service: Challenges and Opportunities

Wednesday, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

Learn about tips, techniques, opportunities, and challenges encountered by Louisiana academic libraries, plus a brief introduction to different collaborative models found outside of Louisiana. This session is intended for any librarian who is curious about how “chat” reference can serve the online patron. Speakers: Alexia Sheck, Reference/ Instruction Librarian, Southeastern Louisiana University; Beth Stahr, Reference/Distance Learning Librarian, Southeastern Louisiana University. Academic

Empowering Teachers through Collaboration

Wednesday, 11:00 – 11:50 a.m.

If your goal is to get more students in your library, you have to find ways to bring in the teachers as well. Three high school librarians will share some “hooks” as well as successful collaborative projects. Speakers: Cinde Sulik, Belinda Edwards, and Debbie Kremheller, St. Thomas More Catholic High School. LASL

Academic Section Business Meeting

Wednesday, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Louisiana Libraries Editorial Board Meeting

Wednesday, 11:00 – 11:50 a.m.

To discuss editorial policies and procedures.

Presenter: Vivian Solar, Ascension Parish Library, Public

Technical Services Interest Group Meeting

Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

LASL Author Luncheon with Nancy Polette

Wednesday, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

(Ticketed event by pre-registration only.)

Nancy Polette, author of *The Little Old Woman and the Hungry Cat* and *The Hole by the Apple Tree*. LASL

LASL General Session

Wednesday, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Know Your Funding

Wednesday, 1:30 – 2:20 p.m.

This is an essential meeting for all unit leaders of LLA (sections, committees, interest groups, and Executive Board officers). Speaker: Charlene Cain, LLA Finance Chair. LLA

Educating and Empowering Students to become Life Long Library Users

Wednesday, 1:30 – 2:50 p.m.

Overview of five library modules dealing with basic information literacy, catalog searches, database searching, web searching, and citations. Speaker: Lisa Muilenburg, Interim Director, Nunez Community College. Academic

Cook Book Collection... Educate, Enrich, and Empower

Wednesday, 1:30 – 2:50 p.m.

This program will feature an overview of the culinary holdings of The Historic New Orleans Collection, a discussion of the research and work of the Culinary History Group in New Orleans, and a presentation of a chronological history/bibliography of cookbooks published in Louisiana or about Louisiana-style cooking.

Speaker: Gerald Patout, Head Librarian, Williams Research Center, The Historic New Orleans Collection. Subject Specialists

Nursery Rhyme Name Songs

Wednesday, 2:30 – 3:50 p.m.

Children can learn to spell their names by singing new words to old songs. This technique can be shown to parents and care givers.

Speaker: Rose Anne St. Romain, Early Childhood Services Consultant, State Library of Louisiana. LaSSAL

Library Managers Interest Group Meeting

Wednesday, 2:30 – 3:20 p.m.

New Features and Special Gems to World Book Online Reference Center

Wednesday, 3:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Speaker: Andy Snelling, World Book. Vendor Program

LLA 1st General Session and Awards Presentations

Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Awards Reception/ Conference Social

Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Past President’s Dinner

Wednesday evening by invitation only

Thursday, April 28, 2005

Louisiana Young Readers’ Choice Award for Grades 6-8

Thursday, 8:00 - 9:45 a.m.

Grades 6 through 8 are a new addition this year to the Louisiana Young Reader's Choice program. Speaker: Gale Criswell, Youth Services Consultant, State Library of Louisiana. LASL

Now Hear This! Take a Trip Behind the Scenes of Audiobook Making

Thursday, 8:00 - 9:20 a.m.

This program will discuss what goes into making an outstanding unabridged adult audiobook. Speaker: Dan Musselman, Books on Tape Representative. Vendor program.

Government Information Resources for Teachers and Students

Thursday 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.

An overview of government information resources for kids and teachers with emphasis on how these resources can be used in the classroom, and by both school and public librarians to assist students with homework assignments and research. Speaker: Donna Vavrek, Regional Depository Librarian, Louisiana Tech University; Gail Kwak, Government Information Librarian, Northwestern State University. GODORT/Public

Digital Reference @ Your Library: It Is Possible.

Thursday 8:00 - 9:20 a.m.

A discussion of the digital reference initiatives at a statewide multi-type library co-operative and a multi-campus academic cooperative. Ultimate exploration of service models for our state. Speaker: John Burger, Executive Director, ASERL; Vince Mariner, Statewide Coordinator, Ask a Librarian Service. Academic/Public

Seek and Ye Should Find: Maybe or Maybe Not: The Louisiana State Library in the 19th Century.

Thursday, 9:00 – 9:50 a.m.

Using information from the annual reports of the Secretaries of State and State Librarians between 1844 and 1900, the presentation examines the creating and operation of the Louisiana State Library from its inception in 1844 to the end the 19th century. The problems encountered by Louisiana State Librarians in the mid to late 1800s should be familiar to depository librarians today. Plus, there’s a surprise ending. Speaker: Judith Haydel, Reference Librarian, Dupre Library, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. GODORT



Thursday, April 28, 2005 (cont.)

Louisiana Library Connection Databases; The WebFeat Connection

Thursday, 9:00 – 9:50 a.m.

WebFeat is a federated search engine that searches across proprietary databases and online catalogs. The State Library of Louisiana is now subscribing to WebFeat for the Louisiana Library Connection databases; the online databases available to all public libraries. Learn about the Louisiana Library Connections new WebFeat Interface: what it is, how to search it, how to obtain statistics for your library, and how to integrate your individual databases into the WebFeat interface. Speaker: Riley Bordelon, Library Consultant, Computer Services, State Library of Louisiana. Public

Intellectual Freedom Committee Meeting

Thursday, 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.

Performing Artists Showcase

Thursday 10:00 p.m. - 11:45 p.m.

Showcasing various artists to be used as summer reading program entertainers. Presenter: Gale Criswell, Youth Services Consultant, State Library of Louisiana. Public/Storyteller's Interest Group

Best Books for Young Adults

Thursday 10:00 - 11:45 a.m.

The best books for young adults published in the past year are presented. Speaker: Dr. Joy Lowe, Louisiana Tech University, Retired. LASL

Research without Copying (Elementary & Middle School)

Thursday, 10:00 – 11:20 a.m.

A hands-on workshop exploring dozens of models for reporting research in creative ways and a sure-fire method for getting the well-developed, clearly written research report without copying. Speaker: Nancy Polette, Professor of Education at Lindenwood University. LASL

Educating for the Future: Copyright and Intellectual Property in the Distance Education Environment

Thursday 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.

Identifying current issues in copyright and intellectual property and how they impact distance education courses. Speaker: Jud Copeland, Library Director, LSUE. Academic

Video & Media Interest Group Meeting

Thursday, 10:30 - 11:50 a.m.

Royalty, Renegades, and Ordinary Ancestors

Thursday, 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.

Basics to assist patrons with genealogy research. A short presentation followed with Q and A time. Speaker: Cynthia Hofmeister, Professional Genealogist (owner) History of Family Search. Trustee/Public

Outreach Services and Bookmobile Interest Group Meeting

Thursday, 11:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Information about the addition of Outreach Services to the focus of the Bookmobile Interest Group. Handouts about current outreach and bookmobile services in Louisiana public libraries will be available. Facilitator: Doris Lively, Director, Grant Parish Library.

Public and Trustee Sections Luncheon

A Blue Boat- A Reading with Research Notes

Thursday, 12:00 Noon- 1:30 p.m.

(Ticketed event by pre-registration only.)

Poets are involved in continual research for their poems even if casual readers think they are inspired. After the click that leads the poet to the poem, many poets find themselves in libraries, archives, art museums, art catalogs, or court records.

Speaker: Dr. Darrell Bourque, Professor, University of Louisiana. Public Section Business meeting and Trustee Section Business meeting to follow. Public and Trustee

Mind Stretching Books for Children K - 6

Thursday 1:00 - 2:20 p.m.

Here are the best of the new books for children in grades K - 6. Nancy will present strategies for integrating literature throughout the curriculum. Speaker: Nancy Polette, Professor of Education at Lindenwood University. LASL

Stress Management in the Workplace

Thursday 1:30 - 2:50 p.m.

The attendees will be given some early warning signs of stress and burn-out and some very practical and easy ways to avoid them. The program is designed to empower attendees to take back control of their lives and to feel better about doing it. Breathe deeply and get ready to unwind! Speaker: Virginia Meeker, Creative Healthcare Management, Inc. LaSSAL

Empower Your Library with Federated Searching

Thursday 1:30 - 2:50 p.m.

The presenters will provide an overview of federated searching technology and share their experiences on implementation of WebFeat. Speaker: Eric Johnson, Director, Southeastern Louisiana University; Riley Bordelon, Library Consultant, Computer Services, State Library of Louisiana. Academic/Public

Gotta Have a Gimmick.... Selling Tweens on Reading

Thursday, 1:30 – 2:20 p.m.

Promoting reading in the middle school with tried and true "gimmicks" to lure the Tween to the library. We'll share experiences and tips for advisory councils, book clubs, Teen Read Week and Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Program. Speaker: Elizabeth Dumas & Annie Miers. LASL

LASL Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, 2:30 – 3:50 p.m.

LaSSAL Business Meeting

Thursday 3:00- 3:50 p.m.

Library Signage: Useful Tools or Visual Pollution

Thursday 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.

Following the renovation of the Edith Garland Dupre Library at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, library staff studied what makes an effective sign and what signs were needed, and then designed a signage system that would inform patrons without cluttering the views. This presentation will discuss the what, where, why, and how of library signage. This presentation updates our Sharing Session on signage at the 2002 LLA Conference. Speaker: Sheryl Curry, Assistant Professor of Library Science, Head of Internet Access Services at University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Jean Kiesel, Associate Professor of Library Science, Louisiana Room Librarian, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Academic/Public/Subject Specialists

2nd General Session and Business Meeting

Thursday, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

LLA Cash Bar

Thursday, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

This is your chance to relax, mingle, and get a cocktail prior to the Book Dinner.

LLA Book Dinner

Thursday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

(Ticketed event by pre-registration only.)

Speaker: Julie Smith, award winning mystery writer from New Orleans.

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