



# Notes & Tracings

Newsletter of the Academic Section

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## *From the Chair* by Heather Plaisance

Hello Academic Section members!

The 2020 LLA Annual Conference is fast approaching, and the Conference Planning Committee is working hard to make this one of the best yet! The Academic Section has sponsored twenty-five programs on Thursday and Friday, including sessions discussing marketing and outreach, mentorship, virtual reality technology, preservation of archives and special collections, and management. If you haven't already, I encourage you to review the complete conference schedule at llaonline.org. The agenda will also be available on the conference app, so download it to plan your schedule and network with fellow conference attendees.

We are co-sponsoring a breakfast with the LLA Subject Specialists and ACRL-LA on Thursday morning (7:30-8:50). The event will feature guest speakers Hayley Johnson and Sarah Simms presenting their talk "Social Justice and the Librarians: Utilizing Research to Uncover Marginalized Histories." The Academic, Subject Specialist, and Preservation Interest Group business meetings, and door prize giveaways will follow. There are a limited number of meal tickets (\$12), so get yours today! All are welcome to come and listen to the speakers and participate in the business meetings, but only those attendees with a ticket will be able to eat.

The Louisiana Virtual Academic Conference held this past November was a success and feedback has been positive. The one day conference brought together 120 participants from Louisiana and nineteen other states. Conference participants who were LLA and ACRL-LA members, presenters, and library school students attended free of charge, while paid registrations raised \$400. The money raised will be split between the LLA Academic Section and ACRL-LA.

The theme of this year's conference is Envisioning a Brighter Future. As this is a time of significant change for LLA, now is the perfect time to get involved and help shape the future of the association. Ballots for LLA and section officers went out recently, and while we were able to secure candidates for both Academic Section offices, there was only one candidate in each category. Sadly, this has been an ongoing trend at both the section level and association-wide. LLA is your organization, and I encourage everyone from seasoned librarians to those new to the profession to get involved. That is the only way to ensure the continued growth and success of the Louisiana Library Association.

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Heather Plaisance  
Chair



## Academic Section news

### *Election of Officers*

Elections for Section Officers were held in February. Nominations included:  
 Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: Angela Dunnington, Southeastern  
 Secretary: Shanna Clevenger, Delgado



## Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference

*Academic Section to sponsor a variety of events and breakout sessions, and other programs of interest*

### PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

- Registration

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

- *A Rich Gumbo - A Holy Trinity: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Your Library*

SEPARATE PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

10:00 AM - noon and 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

- *Shivering Spines: A Murder Mystery*

SEPARATE PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

- *President's Program and Welcome*

Robert Fieseler, author of *Tinderbox: The Untold Story of the Up Stairs Lounge Fire and the Rise of Gay Liberation*, is the keynote speaker.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

- Exhibits Opening

### CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020

7:30 AM - 8:50 AM

- *Academic Section/ACRL-LA/Subject Specialists Breakfast & Meetings*

TICKET REQUIRED

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

- Registration

- Exhibits Open

9:00 am - 10:00 am

- *Beyond Book Displays*

- *Branding 101: Consistent, Clear, and Creative Communication*

- *Mapping Your World: Using ARC-GIS to Tell Your Story*

10:00 am - 11:00 am

- Exhibits No Conflict/Coffee Break

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

- *Preserving Black Catholic History by Re-discovering and Re-engaging -*

*The Oral History Projects of Xavier University of Louisiana*

- *Making Space for Mentorship*

- *The Bright Future of LLA*

- *Working Smarter Not Harder: A Self-Efficacy-Based Training Model*

2:00 pm - 2:50 pm

Poster Sessions

3:00 pm - 3:50 pm

- *In-House Tools & Processes for Working with Federal/State Depository Materials*

### CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020

3:00 pm - 3:50 pm

- *Portable VR and You: How to have a high quality, portable VR experience*

- *Privacy and Public Archives: Dealing with Sensitive Materials in Special Collections*

4:00 pm - 4:50 pm

- *Current Perceptions of Information Literacy Among Teaching Faculty and Students*

- *Mental Mastery, or How to Survive the Next Meltdown*

- *The Prosperity Pipeline: Seamless Library Services under the La. Board of Regents' New Master Plan*

5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

- Awards Reception and Ceremony

### CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020

7:30 AM - 8:50 AM

- *GODORT Breakfast & Business Meeting*

TICKET REQUIRED

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

- Registration

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- Exhibits Open

9:00 am - 9:50 am

- *Page to Link: A Case Study in Evolving Staff Structure from Physical to Digital Collection*

- *You're a Manager. Now What?*

- *Catching FYRE: Librarians as Research Mentors*

- *Teaching Data Literacy with the LDL: Louisiana-Based Data Sets and Online Tools*

10:00 am - 11:30 am

- LLA Membership Meeting

1:00 pm - 1:50 pm

- *Diversity Interest Group Business Meeting*

- *It's Alive! Bring History to Life with Primary Sources from the Library of Congress*

- *The Awesomeness of Pre-1972 Sound Recordings*

2:00 pm - 2:50 pm

- *Academic Library Outreach Services with Mini Pop-up Libraries and More!*

- *All Together Now: Collaborating to Save Louisiana's Cultural History*

- *Free Tech Tools for Writing*

- *Library Technology Plans: Why and how to write them*

- *Louisiana Libraries Editorial Board Meeting*



## Library news

### *Louisiana State University* submitted by *Kimberly Friedman*

**Garrett Armstrong** presented “Coders as Your Force Multiplier” at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Gina Costello** presented “Online Practitioner-Oriented Graduate Programs: Are They Meeting the Needs of New Professionals?” at the Mid-South Educational Research Association Annual Meeting on November 7, 2019.

**Jen Cramer**, with Troy Reeves (University of Wisconsin, Madison), led a workshop on October 18, 2019 at the annual Oral History Association conference. The workshop was titled, “What Does Done Look Like? Oral History Project Management.” **Jen Cramer's** elected position of Council Member for 2016-19 for the Oral History Association was extended through 2020.

**David Dunaway's** articles “LOUIS Membership with Open Textbook Network Brings Incentive for Faculty OER Advocacy on Campuses” and “Bibliometrics for Faculty Evaluation: A Statistical Comparison of h-indexes Generated Using Google Scholar and Web of Science Data” were published in *CODEX*, Volume 5, Issue 3.

**Jacob Fontenot**, **Lois Kuyper-Rushing**, and **Megan Lounsberry** presented “What's the Big Deal?: A Panel Discussion on LSU's Initiative to Reduce Serial Expenditures” at LUC on October 15, 2019. **Jacob Fontenot** presented “ILL Alternatives: Using Third Party Services to Expedite and Automate Interlibrary Loan” at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Andrea Hebert** with Jodi Duet (Fletcher Technical Community College) presented “Code It as ‘Success at Task’: Benefits of Research Collaborations between Librarians and MLIS Students” at LUC on October 15, 2019. **Andrea Hebert**, Natalie Haber (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga), and Melissa Cornwell's (Norwich University) article, “This Worksheet Works: Making the DLS Standards Work for You,” was published in *College & Research Libraries News*. <https://crln.acrl.org/index.php/crlnews/article/view/23584/30896>. **Andrea Hebert** and Jodi Duet's article “I'm Really Confident I Can Find the Exact IKEA Pillow’: A Qualitative Look at the Search Self-efficacy of Graduating MLIS Students” was published in *Behavioral & Social Sciences Librarian* in December 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01639269.2017.1690891>.

**Rebecca Kelley** and **Brittany O'Neill** presented “Adding Media Literacy to Your Toolkit” at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Sigrid Kelsey** and **Ebony McDonald** presented on “LSU Libraries Diversity Residency Program: Planning, Launching, and Assessing” at LUC on October 15, 2019. **Sigrid Kelsey**, with Rachel Borchardt (American University), Jennifer Matthews (Rowan University), and Polly Boruff-Jones (Indiana University Kokomo), presented “A Proposed Framework for the Evaluation of Academic Librarian Scholarship” at the Charleston Library Conference. <https://sched.co/UZRB>.

**Mikel LeDee** presented “The Library as Performance Space” at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Megan Lounsberry's** article, “No Textbooks Allowed! (Unless You're a Graduate Student!): Louisiana State University Pilots an ILL Textbook Service,” was published in *Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery & Electronic Reserve*, Volume 28, Issue 3-4, p. 61-74 <https://doi.org/10.1080/1072303X.2019.1676862>.

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### *Louisiana State University Health Shreveport* submitted by *David Duggar*

Library faculty were active at the annual meeting of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association, held in Oklahoma City, October 11-16, 2019. **Montie Dobbins**, the immediate past president of the chapter, co-facilitated a round table on how libraries can serve first responders. Montie also began a term as the President-Elect of the Hospital Library Interest Section of the chapter. **David Duggar** completed his term as Secretary of the Hospital Library Interest Section. **Julia Esparza**, on behalf of several Library staff, presented a poster about the Library's recent relocation of the institutional archives. Julia, who is the current President of the Medical Library Association, delivered the association update during the chapter business meeting. **Will Olmstadt** presented a lightning talk about outsourcing the Library's writing consultant service. He also began his term on the program committee for the chapter meeting in Houston in October 2020.

**Julia M. Esparza**, as President of the Medical Library Association, presented the MLA Update at the Midwest Chapter Annual Meeting on October 6 in Milwaukee, WI, and at the Pacific Northwest Chapter Annual Meeting on October 28 in Boise, ID.

**Will Olmstadt** was appointed to the Public Policy Advisory Council for the Special Libraries Association, for a 2-year term through 2022. This committee advises the association on policy issues that impact information professionals.

**Erin Ware** joined the Library as Reference Librarian on January 2. Erin is a graduate of LSU School of Library & Information Science, and a certified school media librarian. She has also worked at Baton Rouge General Hospital and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

In cooperation with the Ophthalmology Interest Group and the Shreveport Red River Lions Club, the Health Sciences Library held an Eyeglass Drive collecting 103 eyeglasses and 43 cases.

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### *Louisiana State University Shreveport* submitted by *Brian Sherman*

Because the life of a student is that of someone on the run between classes, meals, family commitments, and extracurricular activities, the Noel Memorial Library is running alongside students with their new Research on the Run booth. Essentially a roving librarian, the booth is an outreach component of the library's Research and Instruction Services Department. Unveiled in a soft rollout leading up to final exam week in Fall 2019, the booth was set up in the University Center, a hub for students including the campus dining facility and the campus wide computer lab. This location was chosen because it is a popular place where students congregate between classes. **Jessica Hawkes**, First Year Experience and Undergraduate Success Librarian, reported a successful rollout and will be expanding outreach opportunities to the university's adjacent student housing as well as freshman orientation events using the booth.

Noel Memorial Library hosted the second annual Conference for Young Adult Literature Louisiana (CYALL) on November 8th. CYALL's mission is to create an opportunity for educators, librarians, scholars, and students to discuss strategies and techniques that can be used to infuse young adult literature into the secondary school curriculum and other venues such as libraries and college courses. The conference also serves as a forum to discuss, demonstrate, and champion learning strategies in teaching young adult literature and discuss trends currently in the format. The goal is to provide advocates with avenues to help teens overcome adversity in their lives through the development of programming and spaces that allow young adults to learn and grow.



### *Northwestern State University* submitted by *Anna Tapia MacDonald*

**Anna Tapia MacDonald** formed the Watson Library Programming & Outreach Committee to foster campus wide partnerships and collaborative opportunities through programs and events each semester. The committee hosted several successful events this year. Finals week included the "Random Snacks of Kindness Cart" where the students received encouragement and snacks from their library staff. Drawings for "Mugs of Kindness" were very popular with 422 students entering the drawing. Photos of the events were posted on the library website each day as part of our social media presence. The final event was "Cards for Our Military" which included the participation of the Military Science Department, NSU fraternities and sororities, and numerous departments across campus. In total 973 holiday cards were signed by students and faculty and were distributed to local VA hospitals and to Fort Polk.

**Heather Ritter** was hired in July as the new Library Associate/Head of NSU Leesville Library. Heather was previously the Library Associate at the NSU Leesville Library. In January, **Elizabeth Doss** joined the library as the Assistant Library Manager at the NSU Leesville campus.

In November, **Mary Linn Wernet** delivered a brief presentation on Kate Chopin to an Alexandria neighborhood book club. Mary Linn and **Sharon Wolff** read a selection of poems from A. L. Alexander's 1943 work, *Poems that Touch the Heart* before the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Natchitoches-NSU Multicultural Christmas Concert in December.

**Sharon Wolff** was elected Vice President of the Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association. Northwestern State University will host the annual meeting in September.

The Cammie G. Henry Research Center hosted several events in November and December including the AP Chapter of Philanthropic Education Organization (PEO) monthly meeting, Caroline Dormon Nature Preserve Membership/Tornado Recovery Reception, and the ***Cherokee Plantation on the Cane River*** book signing event. With Natchitoches celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the movie, ***Steel Magnolias***, the Research Center loaned and **Mary Linn Wernet** assisted as docent with the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches (APHN) on several pieces from the Steel Magnolias Collection for an exhibit at the Association's Lemee during the APHN Fall Tour and the citywide event, Blush and Bashful Weekend.

In January, the Research Center hosted a reception to officially open their new exhibit. Designed and installed by **Sharon Wolff**, the exhibit consists of 1918 photographs of Shreveport businesses and industry commissioned by the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce, on loan from private owner Ed Chopin.

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### *Southeastern Louisiana University* submitted by *Angie Balius*

**Kathryn Carlson** was hired as a Reference and Instruction Librarian. Kathryn will be teaching a for-credit information literacy course, LS102. Among her many talents, Kathryn is a singer and song-writer who plays with the Fugitive Poets, a Baton Rouge band.

**Emilee Flores** is now Interlibrary Loan Supervisor. She earned a Bachelor of General Studies degree from Southeastern Louisiana University. She brings three years of library experience to the position, having worked as a Night Weekend Circulation Media Supervisor and as a student worker at Sims Memorial Library.

**Arron Gomez** joined the Access Services team as Night/Weekend Circulation Media Supervisor. He earned a Bachelor's of Arts degree in English from Southeastern Louisiana University. Arron brings many years of customer service experience to the position having most recently worked as a Service Agent for Enterprise Rental Car. At Sims Memorial Library, he oversees the Circulation and Media library service points on a night and weekend rotation.

**Nicole Zimmer** is the new Evening & Weekend Supervisor in the Serials Department. Nicole graduated from Southeastern in 2018. She worked as a student assistant in Circulation from Spring 2015 to Fall 2018.

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### *University of Louisiana at Lafayette* submitted by *Susan Richard*

**Zack Stein** was interviewed by Judith Meriwether of KRVS radio to discuss the work and mission of the library's Special Collections. Zack spoke about the importance of archives preservation, the history of the department, the unique materials available to users, and the mission and goals of Special Collections. The full interview can be accessed at <https://www.krvs.org/post/apres-midi-afternoon-classics-february-13-2020-zack-stein-and-linda-frese>.

**Cheyron Woods** has been selected an Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor. This award is presented by the UL Lafayette Office for Research, Innovation and Economic Development to those who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to undergraduate students and their advancement as researchers.

**Janelle Zetty** has published two biographies in the *Biographical Database of NAWSA Suffragists, 1980-1920* by Alexander Street Press. She compiled the biography of Louisiana suffragist, Louise Darrah Chauvin <https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010111786> and the biography of Louisiana suffragist, Rosa Edmonds <https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010111787>.



*Cheyron Woods pictured on left*

To celebrate 70 years of US-Indonesia bilateral partnerships, the Consul General of Indonesia and UL Lafayette hosted several events on December 3, 2019. One of the events held in Dupré Library was a Silent Disco Fashion Show, which was put on by a hospitality management planning class. The students gave out headsets for the audience members to listen to the music for the fashion show, which featured exclusive designs by Ronny Billiarido, an emerging young fashion designer from Indonesia.

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### *University of Louisiana at Monroe* submitted by *Megan Lowe*

**Melinda Brown**, Circulation, recently retired. Melinda started work at the ULM Library in August 1999 and retired on January 2, 2020.

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## Academic/ACRL-LA/Subject Specialist Breakfast, March 26, 2020



### LLA Academic/ACRL-LA/Subject Specialist Breakfast Buffet

Biscuits  
Crepes stuffed with scrambled eggs  
Fruit with yogurt dip  
Brabant Potatoes  
Bacon and Sausage  
Coffee and Juice

### Louisiana State University continued from page 3

**Ebony McDonald** published a column in Volume 4 Issue 2 of the *Journal of New Librarianship* titled "An Awakening with Regional Archivists," <https://doi.org/10.21173/newlibs/8/10>. **Ebony McDonald** presented "You're Only Deceiving Yourself: Using Assessment Tools to Combat Imposter Syndrome" at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Marty Miller** and **Brittany O'Neill** presented on "Suffragettes in the News: Using America's Historic Newspaper for the Online Biographical Dictionary for the Woman Suffrage Movement in the United States Project" at LUC on October 15, 2019.

**Elisa Naquin** was hired as Metadata & Digital Strategies Librarian for LSU Libraries.

**Darcee Olson** presented the workshop "Laying Down the Beats, Laying Down the Law; Music and Media Copyright and Licensing at the LSU Digital Media Center" on November 26, 2019. **Darcee Olson's** interview by the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries was published on January 14, 2020. <http://www.aserl.org/2020/01/5-questions-with-darcee-olson/>.

**Elissa Plank** presented "Training Student Workers to be Peer Coaches" at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Winnie Scwaid-Lindner** presented "Fear of the Unknown: Rediscovering and Preserving Obsolete Digital Materials Within LSU Libraries' Special Collections" at LUC on October 15, 2019.

**Sarah Simms** presented "Bringing Social Justice into the Classroom: Practical Applications" at LUC on October 15, 2019. **Sarah Simms** and **Randa Lopez Morgan** presented "Back that Success Up!" at LUC on October 16, 2019.

**Sarah Simms** and **Hayley Johnson** presented "Talkin' Ted: How Two Librarians' Research Became Center Stage" at LUC on October 16, 2019. **Sarah Simms** and **Haley Johnson's** article "Subtle Activism: Using the Library Exhibit as a Social Justice Tool" was published in *Alexandria: The Journal of National and International Library and Information Issues*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0955749019876119>. **Sarah Simms** and **Hayley Johnson** were awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Projects for the Public Discovery grant for \$30,000.

**Zach Tompkins** was hired at the University Archivist for LSU Libraries.

**Scott Ziegler** and Steve Marti's article "A Hidden Gem Becomes a Fertile Mining Ground: Historic Prison Admission Books and Data-Driven Digital Projects," was published in *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 143, No. 3. **Scott Ziegler**, **Leah Powell**, **Gina Costello**, and Elizabeth Joan Kelly's (Loyola) project, "...And 25 of our closest friends: The Louisiana Digital Library as Community-Focused Data" was funded by Collections as Data: Part to Whole.