



Notes & Tracings

Newsletter of the Academic Section

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From the Chair by Blair Stapleton

COVID-19 Didn't Win!

Hello Fellow Academic Section Members!

The show must go on! In February, our Louisiana Library Association President, Sonnet Ireland, announced that the LLA Annual Conference will be held virtually on April 21-22, 2021. Registration is open with pricing set at \$40 for students, \$80 for LLA members and \$120 for non-members. While there are a lot of great programs on the schedule for the conference, there wasn't room to include a virtual breakfast or luncheon event like the Academic section traditionally hosts at in-person conferences. This year, the Academic section is collaborating with the Subject Specialist section, Preservation Group, and ACRL-LA to host a virtual breakfast event that is open to all members of LLA! The breakfast will be held on April 20, 2021 from 8:00 am – 9:30 am. The event will include section officer introductions, breakout business meetings, and a special presentation by Hayley Johnson and Sarah Simms of LSU titled, "Social Justice and the Librarians: Utilizing Research to Uncover Marginalized Histories." It should be a wonderful event and what is even more exciting is that registration for the event is FREE! Registration will open on March 3, 2021 and will be separate from registration for the annual conference. More details about the event can be found on the association's website. Registration can also be completed on that site.

Previously, the Academic section has used section funds to host meal events at the in-person annual conferences and has provided raffles at these events. This year, because the cost of hosting a virtual event is free, the Academic section has teamed up with the Public section to use our funds to offer scholarships to students hoping to attend the event.

Nominations for section officers will be coming soon and I already know that we have some wonderful librarians who have shown interest in the open positions in the Academic section. Please be on the lookout for forthcoming information about voting for those who are nominated for the Academic section.

Angela, Shanna, and I are having a great time serving the Academic Section this year and we are looking forward to seeing all of you at the virtual breakfast and at LLA Annual!

Stay safe!

Blair Stapleton

"The show must go on! LLA Conference will be held virtually on April 21-22, with a virtual academic breakfast on April 20."

Blair Stapleton
Chair



Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference



****SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE****

VIRTUAL BREAKFAST

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

- *Virtual Breakfast*. Academic Section/ACRL-LA/Preservation Interest Group/Subject Specialists

FREE REGISTRATION <https://llaonline.org/event-4171287/Registration>

CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2021

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

- *President's Program*

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

- *Catching FYRE: Librarians as Research Mentors*. Sarah Hernandez and Jasmine Malone, Xavier University

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

- *Centennial Women's Suffrage*. Angela Dunnington, SELU

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

- *It's Alive: Bringing History to Life*. Soline Holmes and Alicia Schwarzenbach

CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2021

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Vice President's Program. Dan Schneider, "The Pharmacist," guest speaker

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

- *Preserving Black Catholic History by Re-discovering and Re-engaging the Oral History Projects of Xavier University of Louisiana*. Vincent Barraza, Xavier University

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

- *Privacy and Public Archives*. Zack Stein, UL Lafayette



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Louisiana State University submitted by *Sigrid Kelsey*

Jennifer Cramer conducted a webinar, “First, Do No Harm: Tread Carefully Where Oral History, Trauma, and Current Crises Intersect,” for ASERL on January 26, 2020. She touched on topics involving ethics and trauma in oral histories.

Jacob Fontenot received the 2020 LOUIS Excellence in Library Support Award at LUC in October 2020.

Jacob Fontenot, with Regina Foster, April B. Rome, Angela P. Mason, Jessica Perry, and Jacqueline Hawkins presented “Interlibrary Loan in Turbulent Times: Keeping Academic Research Flowing during a Pandemic” at the 2020 LUC Conference.

Jeff Hobson started working at LSU Libraries as editor of the *Civil War Book Review*.

Hayley Johnson and **Sarah Simms** presented virtually at the Kyoto Conference on Arts, Media & Culture (part of the International Academic Forum) in November 2020. Their presentation was titled “In the Shadow of White Christian Privilege: Exploring the Internment of Japanese Nationals from Hawai’i During WWII.” **Sarah** and **Hayley** also presented “Neutral No Longer: A Call for Libraries and Librarians to Push Against the ‘Safety Net’” at the *ACRL/NY 2020 Symposium* on December 4, 2020.

Sigrid Kelsey served as a member of the ACRL Impactful Scholarship and Metrics Task Force. The ACRL Board of Directors approved the new Framework for Impactful Scholarship and Metrics in November 2020, written by the task force.

Lois Kuyper-Rushing's book, *A Thematic Index of Works by Eugene Bozza* was published by A-R Editions in 2020.

Randa Lopez Morgan's article, “Supporting Student Wellness and Success through the LSU Libraries Relaxation Room,” was published in Volume 1, Issue 1 of the *Journal of Library Outreach and Engagement*. **Randa** also presented “My Neck, My Back, My Anxiety Attack: Welcome Week at LSU or How We Learned to Just Go With the Flow” at the 2020 LUC Conference.

Randa Lopez Morgan and **Winnie Schwaid-Lindner** presented “Harry Potter and the Goblet of Survey Responses: A Study of Virtue-Based Typology Within the Field of Librarianship Using a Universal Personality System” at the 2020 LUC conference in October.

Megan Lounsberry, **Dave Comeaux**, and **Jacob Fontenot** presented “How did COVID-19 Impact Use of Library Resources?” at the 2020 LUC Conference.

Brittany O'Neill presented “Name a Woman: Teaching Students How to Navigate Privilege in Scholarship” at the 2020 LUC Conference.

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Louisiana State University Shreveport submitted by *Brian Sherman*

Abigail DeSoto was recently hired as the new Chair of Research and Instruction Services. Abigail is an Assistant Librarian at Noel Memorial Library at LSU Shreveport. She is also a graduate of the LSU system and holds a Masters of Library and Information Science from Louisiana State University in 2013. She completed her undergraduate Bachelors of Business Administration in Management from the University of Louisiana at Monroe. Before joining LSUS Noel Memorial Library, Abigail was the Government Documents Librarian at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston. Previously, Abigail was honored as the recipient of the Louisiana Library Association’s Margaret T. Lane Award in 2019. Abigail has been published in *Louisiana Libraries* and *Collaborative Librarianship* as well as presented at numerous conferences in association with her work.

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Louisiana State University cont.

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Darcee Olson presented a lightning talk, “Four Icons, Six Licenses, It’s Easy,” at the 2020 LUC Conference; presented “Fair Use? You Be The Judge!” at the 2020 LUC Conference; presented an encore session of “Fair Use? You be the Judge!” for the Professional Development Alliance, a multi-consortium training series. **Darcee** was an author on the Comment that the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL) submitted to a Copyright Office survey in September, as well as the subsequent Response to Comments on behalf of ASERL and the Greater Western Library Association (GWLA) with an endorsement from the Library Copyright Alliance. In December, Darcee appeared on a panel as part of a U. S. Copyright Office discussion of the Comments and Responses.

Michael Stewart started working as the Assistant Director of Libraries’ Technology.

The LSU Libraries Outreach Committee received the 2020 LOUIS Best Outreach Program Award at LUC (October 2020). Committee members include **Randa Lopez Morgan** (chair), **Elizabeth Allen**, **Larissa Elliot**, **Narcissa Haskins**, **Allen LeBlanc**, **Ebony McDonald** and **Sarah Simms**.

Louisiana State University Health Shreveport submitted by David Duggar

Erin Ware, reference librarian, has co-authored two publications with otolaryngology faculty. “Velcro Ties in Early Postoperative Pediatric Tracheostomy Care: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis.” *Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery*. October 13, 2020. doi: 10.1177/0194599820964727 and “Transoral Endoscopic Parathyroidectomy Vestibular Approach: A Systematic Review.” *American Journal of Otolaryngology*. January-February 2021. doi: 10.1016/j.amjoto.2020.102810.

LSU Health Shreveport library staff were well-represented at the inaugural virtual meeting of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association (SCC/MLA), October 25-28, 2020, winning a research award, and beginning or continuing terms as officers and committee members. Elizabeth K. Eaton Research Award, 3rd Place - **Julia Esparza**, **Kathleen Bloomingdale**, **Montié Dobbins**, **David Duggar**, **Sarah Jackson**, **Terri Nail**, **Will Olmstadt**. “Showing Value While Proving Your Own: Identifying an Institution’s Intellectual Capital Through a Systematic Approach.” **Montié Dobbins** - president, Hospital Library Interest Section, 2020-2021. **Julie Esparza** - nominating committee member, 2020-2021. **Sarah Jackson** - awards & scholarships committee member, 2019-2021. **Will Olmstadt** - program committee member, 2020. **David Duggar** - president-elect of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association, 2020-2021. Other posters presented at the SCC/MLA virtual meeting by LSU Health Shreveport library faculty included, “*In thirty years, this group has never slowed down*”: *Insights into Chapter History and Health Sciences Librarianship* by the SCC History Committee, **Montié Dobbins**, committee member. *Revisiting a Practical Bioinformatics Elective* by **Julie Esparza** and **Will Olmstadt** with Dr. Nancy Leidenheimer from the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. *Missteps and Mayhem Bringing a New Elective to Life* by **Erin Ware** and **David Duggar**, poster also presented at LUC 2020 in October.

David Duggar and Lisa Higginbotham, Medical Communications Videographer, created a video about the Health Sciences Library to celebrate National Medical Librarians Month in October. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=J2mnPKzttG8>

Grace Rambo began in January as the Learning Specialist, a new position in the Health Sciences Library that works with Academic Affairs to support student success through counseling on study skills, time management, and related issues to students in all three schools, and working individually with at-risk medical students. She is currently working on an MLIS from LSU.

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Northwestern State University submitted by *Anna Tapia MacDonald*

Librarians **Anna Tapia MacDonald** and **Debbie Huntington** collaborated with the University Programming Council to bring the “Destress Express” to Watson Library during finals week. Students received stress relief packs filled with study tips, hand sanitizer, and demon mascot emoji pillows. Additionally, the Watson Library Outreach Committee held a backpack raffle.

Patricia Brown's article “Core Values and Critical Library Studies” appeared in *Louisiana Libraries* 82.2 (spring 2020): 22-27. Brown's “Room for Thought: Reading and the Long View of Librarianship” was published in *Codex* 5.4 (2020): 10-16. Brown also reviewed Michelle Reale's book *Meeting the Challenge of Teaching Information Literacy for Communications* in *Information Literacy* 14.2 (Fall 2020): 400-03.

Cammie G. Henry Research Center

In December, Assistant Archivist **Sharon Wolff** participated alongside Head Archivist, **Mary Linn Wernet**, in the annual Multi-cultural Christmas concert benefit set up by the Folklife Center on campus. In January, Sharon began a new digital exhibit on the Watson social media platforms called “Bon Temps”; the subject is Mardi Gras history.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette submitted by *Susan Richard*

Peter Klubek was recently appointed a cohort leader for the LOUIS Open Textbooks Pilot Grant. His content area for the project is Dance Appreciation.

Edith Garland Dupré Library received the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities (LEH) grant *Who Gets to Vote?*. The reading and book discussion series was funded by LEH through the “Why it Matters: Civic and Electoral Participation” initiative, administered by the Federation of State Humanities Councils and funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The series was developed by LEH and is intended to engage members of the public in conversations on the history of voting rights in the United States. **Tiffany Ellis, Zachary Stein, and Cheylon Woods** were the principal investigators. Two UL Lafayette faculty scholars facilitated the book discussions.

The Library was awarded two technology grants from the University's Student Technology Enhancement Program. **Heather Plaisance** and **Blair Stapleton** were principal investigators for a \$26,250 grant to replace the computers in the Reference Department and add webcams and headsets with microphones. Another technology grant, for \$35,654, funded the replacement of the desktop scanners located throughout the library for student use. **Blair Stapleton, Laurie Vanderbrook, and Heather Plaisance** were the principal investigators.

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Registration for the 2021 LLA Virtual Conference is open!

<https://www.llaonline.org/2021-Virtual-Conference>

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FOR THE LLA VIRTUAL CONFERENCE IS OPEN!

Live Conference: LLA Member- \$80.00

Live Conference: Non-Member - \$120.00

Live Conference: Student - \$40.00

Recordings Only: LLA Member - \$60.00

Recordings Only: Non-Member - \$90.00

* Recordings will be available for viewing for three months following the end of the conference