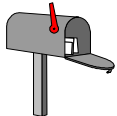


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A Kentucky Library Association Newsletter

September 1, 2003



President's Message

Greetings Kentucky Librarians,

It's the time of year to start marking your calendars for the joint KLA/KSMA fall conference: ***Libraries: In Defense of Freedom*** which will be held **October 8 - 11** in Louisville. Nationally known speakers from across the country will be joining us, as well as our own experts from right here in Kentucky. All are ready and eager to share their expertise and wisdom with you. Carol Nutter, KLA President-Elect, has spent the year working with the Planning Committee to present an exciting, creative and stimulating conference that offers programs for those just beginning their careers in librarianship and for those whose experience is well established. From the Opening Reception at Glassworks Studio to the final programs on Saturday afternoon, I am sure you will find yourself challenged, enlightened, and entertained. Please join us!

My year as President is almost over. It has been a busy, jam-packed year, and I've thoroughly enjoyed every minute. I am honored to have served the Association, and it has been a privilege to work with our members, the other officers, **Carol Nutter, Terri Kirk, and Linda Kompanik**, the KLA Board, and KLA Executive Secretary, **Tom Underwood**. I was surrounded and supported by the very best! I would like to thank all of you who have contributed so much to a successful, productive year for the Kentucky Library Association.

See you all soon at the Galt House!

Sue Burch, President
Kentucky Library Association



Standing Left to Right: Tom Underwood, Linda Kompanik, Carol Nutter. Seated Left to Right: Terri Kirk, Sue Burch

2004 KLA Slate of Officers



The KLA Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers for 2004:

Vice-President/President Elect:

Linda Kompanik
Public Library Section

Secretary:

Candy Zaluski
Children and Young Adult Section

Additional nominations for these offices may be submitted in writing to the Chair of the KLA Nomination Committee. A petition of fifty (50) association members must accompany the nominations. Nominations must be received by September 15, 2004 and must be accompanied by a written acceptance of nomination from the candidate. Nominations should be sent to:

Terri Kirk, Chair
Reidland High School Library Media Center
5349 Benton Road
Paducah, KY 42003

Election of officers will be held Friday, October 10 during the KLA Business Meeting at the Annual KLA Fall Conference in Louisville.

MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

Linda Kompanik

Linda began her library career as reference librarian at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library. She has served as the director of the Logan County Public Library since 1995. She has an MLS and MA in Communications. Linda is past Chair of the Public Library Section, Current KLA secretary and a member of the Public Library Section's Legislative Committee. She received the "Evelyn Richardson Literacy Award" in 1997 and the "Outstanding Public Library Service Award" in 1999.

Candy Zaluski

Candy is the school library media specialist at Lansdowne Elementary in Fayette County. She was the president of the Central Kentucky School Media Association in 1995-96 and served on the KSMA Board in 1996-97. She is currently serving a four-year term on the Advisory Board for the Board of Directors for the Lexington Public Library.

KLA Member News and Library Updates



BEREA COLLEGE. After many years of dedicated service, both **Catherine 'Kit' Roberts** (Head of Technical Services) and **Eileen Hart** (Serials Librarian) have moved on to well-deserved days of retirement. Both women have relocated to be closer to children (and grandchildren!). The staff at Hutchins and the entire college community will miss them greatly and wish them well in the new chapters of their lives. However, their departures created the need/opportunity to reassign some staff. **Francie Bauer** has moved into the position of Head of Technical Services and **Pat Taylor** will be responsible for maintaining our journals. Also, as of January 1, **Ed Poston** will join the Reference and Instruction staff in a permanent position. **Susan Henthorn**.

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. EKU Libraries had several personnel changes this summer. **Julie George** was named Team Leader of Reference and **Linda Sizemore** was appointed Team Leader of Government Documents and the Law Library. **Kari Lyons** began a new position as Planning & Assessment Program Officer and **Brad Marcum** accepted a position as Reference/Distance Education Librarian. **Peggy Flaherty**.

KENTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY. On Saturday, July 26 the Kenton County Public Library introduced its new costume character mascot **Booker**, a reading retriever, to the community. The Library Staff celebrated his arrival with a morning of fun, canine related activities for dogs and their owners, including a parade, photo session, dog party, readings from pet psychics, pet tips from a pet store representative, information on holistic health care for animals, and doggie treats made by Library Staff. This fall, Booker will attend library programs and community events as well as visit schools as part of a library card campaign. **Robin Klaene**.

The Kenton County Public Library will host its third annual Fall Folk Festival on Saturday, September 20, 2003 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Erlanger Branch, located at 401 Kenton Lands Road. This free, family-friendly event celebrates the rich heritage and talent of Northern Kentucky. For more information or directions to the Fall Folk Festival, please contact the Kenton County Public Library at (859) 962-4000 or visit the website at www.kenton.lib.ky.us **Kristy Garvey**.

LEXINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY. **Kathleen R. T. Imhoff**, a former assistant director at the nation's ninth largest library, Broward County Library in Fort Lauderdale, FL, has been named executive director and CEO of the Lexington Public Library. Imhoff has served two terms as president of the American Library Association's Public Library Section and her MLS is from the University of Wisconsin. She teaches an annual weeklong library marketing course at Syracuse University. Also, she has written a book, *Making the Most of New Technology*, and has written a chapter for a current book on forming library partnerships within communities. **Jim Wyrick**.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY. Waterfield Library is hosting an exhibit featuring writer Barbara Ehrenreich, the author of *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America*. The exhibit includes objects and artifacts typical of those used by Ehrenreich as she worked minimum wage jobs from Florida to Maine, as well as a selection of her other books and many additional library resources. The exhibit is presented in conjunction with MSU's annual Freshman Reading Experience Program. The MSU Libraries web site has a whole new

look! It was restructured and updated by Aleeah McGinnis, Library Systems Coordinator. It can be seen at: <http://www.murraystate.edu/msml/msml.htm>. A search for Dean of Libraries continues while **John Griffin** currently serves as Interim Dean. **Jen Schatz**.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. Steely Library is now host to the NKU Welcome Center. A redesign of the first floor has made us the "front door" to the university and allowed us to upgrade our Special Collections and Archives department. Thanks to **Michael Providenti**, our web development librarian, the library has a new and improved website. You can view the site at <http://library.nku.edu>. Other new and anticipated library services include: Docutek electronic reserves, Question Point live reference chat service, ILLiad interlibrary loan system, and a cyber-café in the third floor loggia. The library has added several new staff members within the past year: **Mary Chestnut** is our newest Research and Instruction librarian; **Sheri Myers** is the new Extended Collections Services librarian; **Connie Israel** has joined our Technical Services department; **Marcia Johnson** is supervising the Media Collections department; and Erin Watkins is now in charge of Interlibrary Loan services. **Sheri Myers**.

OLDHAM COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY. **Connie Oldham**, who has been with the Oldham County Public Library System, is retiring after 26 years with the library. Ms. Oldham has served in a number of capacities including library clerk, administrative secretary, and to date, the branch manager of the South Oldham County Public Library in Crestwood. **Susan Eubank**.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY.

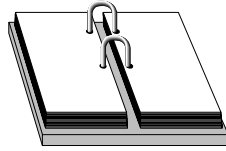
Medical Center Library. UK Libraries will be hosting a teleconference presented by the National Library of Medicine/Greater Midwest Region on health literacy on September 10, 1:00-3:00 CST entitled *Reading Between the Lines: Focusing on Health Information Literacy*. **Mary Carr**.

Law Library. **Susan Wild** is the library's new Associate Director and Head of Technical Services. Susan comes to us from Barry University Law Library in Orlando, FL. She moved into the position after **Sue Burch** retired late last year after many years of dedicated service. **Michael Samson**, formerly from Arthur Neef Law Library at Wayne State University, has become the library's Technology Coordinator and **Brad Horan**, from Barry University Law Library joins the library staff as the new Network Administrator. **Matt Morrison** has joined the Cornell Law Library reference team.

William T. Young Library. **Sandee McAninch** has been appointed to the State Archives and Records Commission. Membership of the Commission is designed to fairly represent Kentucky citizens and government agencies. The Commission has final and exclusive authority to determine the ultimate disposition of Kentucky's public records.

University of Kentucky Libraries. **Carol Pitts Diedrichs** has been named the new Dean of Libraries at the University of Kentucky. Ms. Diedrichs was formerly the Assistant Director for Technology Services and Collections at Ohio State University Libraries. A faculty member at Ohio State since 1987, Diedrichs became a full professor of library science a year ago in July. She has published scholarly work in numerous professional and academic journals, and in 2001 she was selected as a participant in the University of California at Los Angeles Graduate School of Library and Information Services' Senior Fellows Program. She received the 2000 Presidential Citation and the 1999 Leadership in Library Acquisitions Award from the Association of Library Collections and Technical Services of the American Library Association (ALCTS/ALA). The ALCTS/ALA also presented her with the Esther J. Piercy Award in 1991 in recognition of her contributions to technical services by a librarian with less than 10 years in the

profession. Ms. Diedrichs earned her Bachelor's Degree in Library Science from Baylor University in 1980 and her MLS from the University of Texas at Austin in 1981. (From UK Press Release written by **Dan Adkins**)



UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE.

Kersey Library of Engineering, Physical Science and Technology. In June, **Carol Brinkman**, Director, and **Jan Kulkarni**, Head of Reference and Instruction Services, both attended the American Association for Engineering Education (ASEE) Annual Conference in Nashville, TN. They presented a poster session about the Information Literacy program at Kersey. The exhibit on Data Mining and Data Warehousing prepared by Kersey Library for Engineer's Week in March is traveling. **Jan Kulkarni** was asked this summer to remount the exhibit in one of Speed Scientific School's labs for the benefit of industry visitors to the university.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. **Jack Montgomery**, Western Kentucky University Libraries Coordinator of Collection Services, received a full scholarship to attend the 5th annual Fiesole Collection Development Retreat held in July at Somerville College in Oxford, U.K. Entitled "Authors to Readers: Who are We Serving? How? And How Well?," Fiesole brought together leaders in the fields of librarianship, international investment banking from the U.K., U.S., Europe and Australia to discuss current and new trends in the information industry in which libraries play a key role.

The Kentucky Library and Museum at Western Kentucky University recently announced that a \$300 fellowship has been awarded to **Mary Brennan**, a graduate student in Anthropology (historical archaeology) at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. Brennan plans to use the fellowship to continue her research of the Tate C. Page Collection, housed in the Kentucky Library's Manuscripts Area. For more information about the Kentucky Library and Museum Fellowship, contact **Nancy Baird** (270) 745-6263 or nancy.baird@wku.edu.

WKU Libraries is hosting "Frankenstein: Penetrating the Secrets of Nature," based on a major exhibition of original materials mounted by the National Library of Medicine in 1997-1998. The Frankenstein traveling exhibition will be exhibited at the Kentucky Library and Museum from January 21 to March 5, 2004. The exhibit's presence is the result of efforts by **Molly Kerby** and **Lambrini Papangelis**, both of Western.

Rosemary Meszaros, Government Information & Law Coordinator presented a preconference at KLA for AHEC entitled "Healthy, Wealthy & Wise: Discovering the Abundance of Health Information in Government Resources." In June, 2003 she was panelist at ALA for a program entitled "The Fading Line Between Public & Academic Libraries: Are Electronic Reference Services Supporting Academic Communities?" Professor Meszaros was also a panel moderator at ALA for the MARS Chair's Program entitled "The Information Commons Challenge: Take Ownership of Technology Before It Takes Ownership of You!" She also won the WKU Libraries College Public Service Award in May, 2003.

The web site "The Alfred Russel Wallace Page" of Science Librarian, **Charles Smith**, won one of Scientific American.com's awards as one of the best fifty sci-tech subjects-related web sites of 2003. Scientific American has established ten categories with five winners each. Charles' site won under the "Great Minds" grouping. **Jack Montgomery**.

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Pictured above, and enjoying themselves, are members & volunteers of the ALA/LAMA Swap & Shop Committee during the annual ALA Conference in Toronto. KLA members participating in the event are seated left to right: **Kari Lyons**, **Cheryle Cole-Bennett**, **Dee Wood**, **Carolyn Tassie** and standing center, non-member Ky. volunteer, **Dick Wood**. Participant, **Ashley Fowlkes** is not pictured. Member, **Sue Burch**, was unable to attend this year.

Fall Conference Reminders

KLA BOOK SALE. Help KLA raise money to help promote librarianship for the state of Kentucky with your donations. Start saving your used books, cookbooks, records, CDs, videos, books on tape, bookends, and other library-related items for the KLA book sale. Details will be coming to you soon in your Fall Conference Registration and Schedule of Events Announcement. To volunteer to set up, work the sale, clean up, and more, contact: **Alice Abbott-Moore** at alice.abbott-moore@louisville.edu, phone (502) 852-8719.

SCCTP WORKSHOP. North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG), Kentucky Library Association Academic Section, and the University of Kentucky Libraries will sponsor a pre-conference workshop on October 8, 2003 from 8:30-5:00 with a break for lunch. This course titled "SCCTP Integrating Resources Workshop" is offered by Serials Cooperative Training Program based on the revised chapter 9 and 12 of AACR2 and covers all integrating resources, with an emphasis on electronic resources. Registration information will be included in the Fall Conference Announcement. Organizers are Kate Seago (kseago@email.uky.edu) and Marsha Seamans (mnnseam2@email.uky.edu) from the University of Kentucky Libraries.

»KLA Listserv «

Do you have information you would like to share with your Kentucky colleagues? Would you like to keep up with what's going on with libraries around Kentucky? If you answered yes to these questions then you need to sign up for the KLA Listserv.

To subscribe to the list send an E-mail message to:

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KLA Calendar Of Events*

KLA/KSMA Joint Annual Conference October 8-11, 2003
Galt House, Louisville, KY

2003 Kentucky Book Fair November 8, 2003
Frankfort Civic Center Frankfort, KY

ALA Midwinter Meeting January 9-14, 2004
San Diego, CA

*A complete KLA Calendar of Events for 2004 will be available for posting in the next issue of INFOCUS. - Dee Wood, editor.



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LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY**

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