Wednesday Pre-Conference
Louis J. Manchise, Northern Kentucky University

Preparing, Doing, and Enjoying Negotiating
1:00-4:00 pm Wednesday

Louis J. Manchise has been a mediator in the Greater Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky area for the past 33 years. Most recently before joining the faculty at NKU, he served as Director of Mediation Services. Manchise’s work includes resolving disputes in industry, manufacturing, school systems, cities, state/federal governments, service organizations and non-profit institutions. His interactive presentation will focus on the important preparation step for negotiating anything, which brings to the table a smart process model aimed at helping people both reach very positive outcomes and enhance their future interactions. This presentation will prepare you for a multitude of negotiation situations both personal and professional from negotiation with your colleagues or administration to negotiation with vendors on electronic resources agreements.

Thursday Opening Session
George Needham, OCLC

To See Ourselves as Others See Us
9:00-10:30 am Thursday

Before joining OCLC in 1999, George was State Librarian of Michigan, Executive Director of the Public Library Association, Director of Member Services of the Ohio Library Association, Library Director of Fairfield County District Library (OH) and he has held various posts at the Charleston County Library (SC). Over the past four years OCLC has produced three landmark reports on the ways in which librarians and the public perceive, use, and evaluate information. George Needham's presentation will address the findings of these reports and offer some ideas on the ways in which we can come to common understandings that will allow us to build a thriving library service for the future.

Author Presentation
Richard Taylor, Kentucky State University

Sue Mundy: A Novel of the Civil War
12:30-1:00 pm Thursday

Richard Taylor has long been one of Kentucky’s best-loved writers—he was the state’s Poet Laureate in 1999—but Sue Mundy: A Novel of the Civil War, his second historical novel, posed a different kind of creative challenge. Chronicling in fiction the true story of M. Jerome Clarke, a Confederate soldier-turned-guerrilla who was dubbed “Sue Mundy” by Louisville journalist George Prentice, the book offers insight into one of the Civil War’s most enigmatic figures: an innocent who becomes a murderer, a boy who somehow becomes a female legend and is held accountable for “her” crimes.

Friday Closing Session
Dr. Michael Colegrove, University of the Cumberlands

Five Servant/Leaders Who Changed the World
11:30 am -12:30 pm Friday

Michael B. Colegrove currently serves as Vice President for Student Services, Dean of Student Labor, Professor of Education and Director of Leadership Studies at the University of the Cumberlands located in Williamsburg, Kentucky. He served for two years (1987-1989) as President of Hagrave Military Academy. He is the author of the book, Climbing the Pyramid…The How To’s of Leadership (2004) This presentation reflects on the characteristics of five servant/leaders who had a major impact on today’s world: Walt Disney, Franklin Roosevelt, Gandhi, Mother Teresa, and Thomas Edison. Their lives and leadership styles exemplify creativity, courage, vision, perseverance, and driving motivation.