Greetings from the President

This is certainly an interesting time for libraries right now. There is a lot of troubling news and some really great news too. I have been lucky enough to attend both the spring conferences this spring. This was my first year for attending the KLA Academic and Special Library Sections and SLA Kentucky Chapter's Joint Spring Conference. It felt a little like I was crashing a party at first and it did have a bit of a party atmosphere at times. It didn't take long to feel completely welcome among my academic and special library colleagues. They offered a great opportunity for continuing education from excellent speakers from across the state and country. The Kentucky Public Library Association conference was more like old home week. State Auditor Adam Edelen came by to thank librarians for supporting his efforts in developing and passing HB1. KPLA also offered us all a chance to hear quality speakers and have some good clean fun at the same time.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Kentucky's own Terri Kirk. Terri has been vital part of the Kentucky Library Association for as long as I can remember. She has served as the KSMA President, KLA President, and KLA’s American Library Association Councilor. She has served on a national level on several ALA committees and has held several positions within the American Association of School Librarians. She now faces one of her greatest challenges and achievements as the newly elected 2014-15 President of the American Association of School Librarians. Congratulations Terri! You make us all very proud.

Sadly, it is not all good news. Both Kenton and Campbell Counties...
Greetings from the President (continued)

have lost their pending lawsuits. Boone County is now facing a similar lawsuit. KLA is doing what we can to help prepare other districts for possible litigation and/or media attention. We are also providing what support we can to those libraries currently involved. Both library districts have filed an appeal in their cases. They have asked KLA to file an amicus brief to support their work. We have retained an attorney to begin work on this brief.

Now, perhaps more than ever, your support and membership can directly impact the future of library services in Kentucky.

Lisa Rice
KLA President

2013-2014 Slate of Officers

In accordance with the policy of Kentucky Library Association, the Nominating Subcommittee presents the following slate of candidates for the 2013-2014 year:

President-Elect: Laura Whayne (Special Library Section)

Secretary: Alex Grigg (Academic Library Section)

Laura Whayne Biography:
Laura Whayne is the librarian at the Kentucky Transportation Center at the University of Kentucky. She has held this position since 1989. She manages the resources of the Kentucky Transportation Center Library and provides information services to state and local government officials; University of Kentucky faculty, staff and students; and other transportation professionals. Laura Whayne has a Master of Library Science degree from the University of Denver and a Master of Arts degree in Geography from the University of Kansas.

Laura is a member of the Kentucky Library Association (KLA) and has a membership with the Special Library Section and the Academic Library Section of KLA. She served as the KLA Secretary from 2004-2005 and has served on various KLA level committees. In the Special Library Section, Laura was Chair in 1998-1999, Secretary in 2008, and Treasurer in 2009-2011. She has also served on a variety of committees for the section. Within the Academic Library Section, she has had various committee appointments.

Laura Whayne is also a member of the Special Libraries Association and served as Chair of the Transportation Division of the Special Libraries Association from 2000-2001. She served on the Transportation Research Board’s Information Services Committee (B0002) from 2001-2010, serving as chair from 2004-2010. Within the UK Libraries, she has served on various committees and has been chair of the Promotion & Tenure Committee and the Faculty Council.
2013-2014 Slate of Officers (continued)

Alex Grigg Biography:
Alex Grigg is the Library Manager at the Lexmark Corporate Library. He has been an active member of state and international library organizations for all eight of the years that he has been a professional librarian. Alex currently serves as the treasurer of both the Special Library Section of KLA and the Kentucky Chapter of SLA, the Chair of the IT Division of SLA, and as one of the Special Library Representatives to the Kentucky State Advisory Council on Libraries. He hopes to one day simultaneously serve on every library board at the state, national, and international levels. This nomination brings him one step closer to fulfilling that dream.

Article 5: NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCESS

Sec. C. The nominees for Vice President/President Elect and Secretary shall be selected from the membership of the Sections on a rotating basis.

Sec. D. The slate of nominees shall be printed in the Association’s newsletter.

Sec. E. Other nominations may be made by presentation of a petition signed by fifty (50) Association members to the Nominating Subcommittee before August 1st. There shall be written consent of the nominee. Nominations from the membership shall follow the same guidelines and rotation order as presented by the Nomination Subcommittee.

Kentucky Library Association Nominating Subcommittee:
Terry Buckner, Chair (Immediate Past President)
Billie Anne Gebb (Special Library Section Representative)
Carol Watwood (Academic Library Section Representative)
2013 KLA Awards – Call for Nominations

Awards Applications

The Kentucky Library Association and its Sections and Round Tables believe deeply in the importance of recognizing contributions to the library profession and libraries. To submit a nomination, please see the KLA Awards webpage for nomination forms.

http://www.klaonline.org/824.cfm

All nominations must be received no later than July 15, 2013.

Below are descriptions of the KLA Awards.

The William H. Natcher Award

The William H. Natcher Award is given annually to an individual, organization, or corporation that has made a significant philanthropic contribution to a Kentucky library. The contribution may be monetary or equipment.

The Lifetime Achievement Award

The Lifetime Achievement Award will be given to a Kentucky librarian who has contributed significantly to our profession through publications, presentations, and participation in professional library and/or information organizations. Nominees must be or have been a KLA member for 10 years, sustained record of service to the Association, and not a current Executive Board member of the Association.

Carol J. Parris Mentoring Award

The Carol J. Parris Mentoring Award is presented to a Kentucky librarian who has exemplified the ability to assist and advise new members to the profession.

Intellectual Freedom Award

The Intellectual Freedom Award is presented to an individual or institution that has worked to insure that every Kentuckian has the right to all types of materials.

James A. Nelson Library Advocate Award

The James A. Nelson Library Advocate Award is presented to those who have gone and beyond to promote and protect libraries in government relations.

Kentucky Libraries Outstanding Feature Articles

Selected by the editorial board, this award is presented to the authors of articles of merit in Kentucky Libraries.
KLA Minority Scholarship – Call for Nominations

KENTUCKY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR MINORITY STUDENTS
APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 15, 2013

The purpose of the Kentucky Library Association (KLA) Scholarship for Minority Students is to encourage minority candidates who show excellence in scholarship and potential for accomplishment in librarianship. The scholarship will be granted to a Kentucky student entering or continuing their library education in an American Library Association (ALA) or National Council for Teacher Education (NCATE)-accredited library school. The recipient also receives a one-year student membership in KLA and free student registration at the KLA annual meeting.

ELIGIBILITY

• The applicant must be a member of a minority group. A minority group is defined by the current U.S. guidelines as American Indian, Alaskan Native, Black (not of Hispanic origin), Hispanic (including persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and Central or South American origin), Pacific Islander or other ethnic group.

• The applicant must be entering and have been accepted into an ALA-accredited or National-accredited (NCATE) library school or must have completed no more than half of his or her program in these areas at the time the award is made.

• The applicant must be a citizen of or have permanent residence status in the United States.

• The applicant must be a resident of Kentucky or applying for one of the accredited library programs in Kentucky.

• A past recipient of the KLA Scholarship for Minority Students is ineligible.

TERMS

• The applicant must submit the completed application by June 15, 2013.

• The applicant must submit a minimum of three letters of reference from persons not related to the applicant. The letters of reference should be from persons who are knowledgeable about the applicant's character, education, and abilities. Letters of reference must be submitted by June 15, 2013.

• By June 15, 2013, an official transcript from each college or university attended must be sent directly from the respective institution that grants either baccalaureate degree or library study degree.

• The applicant must include a statement of career objectives, why they have chosen librarianship as a career, reason for applying for this scholarship and any other pertinent information that the applicant would like the Scholarship Committee to know with the submitted application form.
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• A scholarship of $1,000.00 paid in two equal installments, in August and January, will be awarded to the recipient.

• The period of disbursement will not exceed one year past the date of the KLA annual meeting.

• Depending on the qualifications of the candidates, the committee may recommend that a scholarship not be awarded in a given year.

• KLA will acknowledge applications upon receipt via email.

SELECTION PROCESS

• Scholarship committee members will consider: 1) Cumulative undergraduate GPA and graduate school GPA (if applicable) and accomplishments; 2) academic merit and potential; 3) statement of objectives, in terms of content and style; and 4) letters of recommendation.

• Please return the completed application form and statement of career objectives, plus a copy of all related documents to: Kentucky Library Association, 1501 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, KY 40601; (502) 223-5322; fax, (502) 223-4937; email info@kylibasn.org.

The application form can be downloaded at: http://www.klaonline.org/docs/KLA Scholarship for Minority Students.pdf.
KLA Member News and Library Updates

BOYD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY –

Check Out The Museum!

Patrons at Boyd County Public Library can now check out family passes to the local museum.

BCPL has purchased about 15 family passes to the Highlands Museum & Discovery Center in Ashland, which patrons can check out for 21 days - just like borrowing a book.

The museum offers informative displays about the region's past, and fun interactive exhibits for kids of all ages. Offering the passes to library patrons is a way to introduce them to a community organization they might not have had the opportunity to visit, and is part of BCPL's ongoing partnership with the museum.

The passes can be placed on hold through the catalog at www.thebookplace.org.

Love Your Library 5K

Boyd County Public Library sponsored its first annual Love Your Library 5K run/walk on Friday, April 26. More than 140 runners and 50 walkers too part in the inaugural event, the goal of which was to raise awareness of the library and literacy. Library cardholders received a discount on their race registration, and everyone received a BCPL "swag bag," Love Your Library t-shirt, and a chance at door prizes.

BCPL Friends and the Highlands Museum & Discovery Center were also sponsors of the event. – submitted by Amanda Gilmore, Boyd County Public Library.
KLA Member News and Library Updates (continued)

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY –

Live @ Your Library 2013

EKU Libraries hosted the 2013 Live @ Your Library series during National Library Week, April 15 through 19. The series, Everyone is an Artist: Explorations of Creativity within Daily Life, had more than 200 guests. Guests took part in a variety of events, including dance, bluegrass and jazz performances. Visit http://www.library.eku.edu/live-your-library to learn more.

OVGTSL Conference Coming to EKU

EKU hosted the 2013 annual conference of the Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians (OVGTSL), May 15-17, 2013.

Planning Committee members from EKU Libraries include Margaret Foote, Vice-Chair, OVGTSL, Kelly Smith, Treasurer, OVGTSL, Pennie Centers, Laura Edwards, Victoria Koger, Krista Rhodus, Amy Tabb, Carol Thomas, and Kathryn Turnbull. Melissa Abney designed the 2013 conference program. Ruthie Maslin, of the Madison County Public Library and Calvin Gross, Mary Beth Bonet, and Patty Tarter of Berea College, assisted in the planning of the conference.

New Staff

EKU Libraries are pleased to welcome Joseph Berend to the Circulation Department as a new library associate. Joseph is a graduate of Berea College where he majored in Mathematics and minored in Spanish while working as a student employee at the Hutchins Library. He currently resides in Lexington, though he is originally from Texas. He comes to EKU from the Bluegrass Community Health Center where he previously worked in Patient Registration as a Senior Office Associate registering patrons as well as interpreting for Spanish speaking patrons. – submitted by Krista Rhodus, Eastern Kentucky University.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY –

Kentucky Digital Library: Providing Content to the Digital Public Library of America

The Kentucky Digital Library, supported by the Kentucky Virtual Library and the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education and managed by UK Libraries, is participating in the new Digital Library of America (DPLA) as one of several state and regional digital library “service hubs.” Each of the selected digital libraries will provide digital content which will form the “hub” of the new DPLA. “Content”
institutions with large digital collections, including Harvard, Smithsonian Institution, New York Public Library and the Biodiversity Heritage Library will also contribute select digitized special collections to DPLA. The advantage to scholars and the public alike is that the website will allow them to access digital holdings of many collections from one website, and the DPLA will be free of cost and available to all. Formats will include, but are not limited to, digitized photographs, newspapers, books, manuscripts, and oral histories. The new DPLA website went live on April 18, 2013; the URL is http://dp.la.

The Kentucky DPLA grant is funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, Knight Foundation, and the Arcadia Foundation. Components of the grant will include metadata training for librarians and archivists as well as community events that will provide opportunities for the Kentucky public to bring historical materials for digitizing onsite. For more information contact Judy Sackett, KY DPLA Community Education Librarian, at jsackett@uky.edu. -- submitted by Judy Sackett, UK Libraries

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE –

University of Louisville Libraries needs the public's help to make “The Louisville Leader,” a sought-after historical source, more accessible to people who want to study Louisville's black history.

Between 1917 and 1950 the newspaper covered the African American community’s news as well as religious, educational, social, fraternal and sporting activities. Several years ago, UofL microfilmed copies of issues that survived a 1954 fire to the building where the paper was published. Efforts to digitize the microfilm for Internet use, however, have not resulted in the fully searchable collection that Archives and Special Collections (ASC) hoped that it would.

“Optical readers are unable to accurately identify faded characters or misaligned type such as exist in these microfilmed images,” said University Archivist Carrie Daniels. The quality of the digital images was not good enough for the optical character recognition software to generate keywords for searching.

ASC needs people to transcribe the digitized microfilm images so they can be searched online. People who want to help can go to the project page at uofl.me/lib-LouisvilleLeader, read the instructions, choose an article to transcribe, and start typing.

“The paper is one resource that people have wanted to access online,” Daniels said. “Now we’re finally doing it and they can help us.” – submitted by Rachel Howard, University of Louisville Libraries.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY –

Call for Nominations – KLA Outstanding Academic Librarian

Do you know Outstanding Academic Librarian? If so, here is a gentle reminder that nominations are due to the chair of this committee, Lisa Miller, lisa.miller@wk.edu, no later than August 1. Any KLA member in
the Academic Section may submit a nomination. The nomination should include a brief bio of the nominee, current workplace and title, and a justification of why they should receive the award, which will be presented at the Fall Conference. In the past 28 years, there were 4 years when no one was nominated. Crikey! Don’t let this happen again…

Commons at Cravens Opens for Business

The Commons at Cravens opened January 2013 for services and redesigned facilities on Cravens 4th floor with a single point for research, writing, and technology assistance across from Circulation Services. The newly renovated area has had a significant jump in patron utilization for the months of January, February, and March.

WKU Participates in SOKY Book Fest

More than 130 authors participated in the Southern Kentucky Book Fest held Saturday, April 20 at the Knicely Conference Center in Bowling Green, Kentucky from 9 am - 3 pm. Well-known author, actor, director, and producer Henry Winkler spoke to a standing room only crowd of more than 600 and signed books and DVDs at the event. Mary McDonough, better known as “Erin” from The Waltons, gave a workshop on body image and signed her book, “Lessons from the Mountain: What I Learned From Erin Walton.” Children’s author and illustrator Jarrett Krosoczka gave a writing workshop to upper elementary and middle age children. With the exception of the breakfast for McDonough, all presentations and events were open and free to the public. The SOKY Book Fest is a partnership of WKU Libraries, Warren County Public Library, and Barnes & Noble Booksellers.

StackMap Now Available at WKU

WKU Libraries is now offering StackMap, a software mapping program that provides patrons with a detailed map and written directions to an item with one click. Maps are printable, and also compatible with mobile browsers.

WKU Libraries Hosts Music Series

WKU Libraries hosted “America’s Music: A Film History of Our Popular Music from Blues to Bluegrass to Broadway” series to enlighten audiences about uniquely American musical genres including blues and gospel, Broadway, jazz, bluegrass and country, rock n’ roll, mambo, and hip hop. This six-week program series featured documentary film screenings and scholar-led discussions of twentieth century American popular music. A grant written by Dr. Bryan Carson, WKU Libraries Grants Coordinator, allowed WKU Libraries to be one of fifty locations in the United States to participate in the program. This is a project of Tribeca Film Institute in collaboration with the American Library Association, Tribeca Flashpoint, and the Society for American Music.
KLA Member News and Library Updates (continued)

WKU Staff News

WKU Librarian and Coordinator of Bibliographic Access Deana Groves recently was named Department Head of the Department for Library Technical Services. Groves joined the faculty of WKU Libraries in 2003 and holds a Master of Library and Information Science (MLISc) degree from the University of Hawaii and a Master of Library Science (MLS) degree from Western Kentucky University.

Two library faculty members received recognition and awards from their college: Sean Kinder received the Public Service Award, and Dr. Bryan Carson received the University Libraries Award for Research/Creative Activity.

WKU Librarian Charles H. Smith is a recipient of the 2013 U.S. President’s Volunteer Service Award for the “President’s Call to Service.”

Dr. Charles H. Smith, Science Librarian and Professor of Library Public Services, recently gave a presentation on the British naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace at a conference at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) in Mexico City. A leading Wallace student, Smith took part in the conference commemorating Wallace’s death one hundred years ago this year.

Dr. Brian Coutts, Head of the Department of Library Public Services at Western Kentucky University, received the 2013 Outstanding Alumni Award from Louisiana State University School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) at their Annual Awards Banquet held March 25, at the LSU Faculty Club. Coutts earned his PhD and MLS from LSU. SLIS Director Beth Paskoff noted that Brian had twice appeared on the front cover of *Library Journal*, the nation’s leading library trade journal, where his award-winning feature “Best Reference Sources of the Year” has appeared since 1986.

Dr. Brian Coutts with SLIS Director Beth Paskoff

– submitted by Jennifer Wilson, Western Kentucky University Libraries
Benefits of Membership

• Updating skills and exchanging information.
• Adding your voice to the collective voice of librarianship (particularly in legislative concerns).
• Meeting others working in your type of library setting to share common problems and solutions.
• Receiving association publications such as Kentucky Libraries and IN-FO-CUS.
• Opportunities to receive grants and scholarships.
• Contributing sessions or papers at meetings.
• Receiving CEUs.
• Contributing to the profession on a professional level.
• Receiving discounts on annual and other meetings.
• Networking with your peers.

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