Greetings from the President

Will you meet me in Louisville from September 20-23, 2017? The Kentucky Library Association’s annual conference is approaching and a great lineup of sessions and speakers is in the works. This year’s theme is Navigating Change. Change is something we all have become familiar with in the library world. It seems every day we are dealing with some new challenge.

One of the ways we can deal with change is to listen to others and discover new techniques and methods. Our annual conference is a great way to accomplish these goals. As librarians and those who work in libraries, we are life-long learners. In order to succeed in our profession, we need to constantly improve our skills and knowledge.

Our Conference Chair, Tara Griffith, and her committee have been working for months to develop an exciting and dynamic series of sessions. Staff from academic, public, school and special libraries will find a variety of relevant and informative learning opportunities. Keeping up with trends, learning to manage people, technology, advocacy and many other topics will be covered.

Networking is always an important part of our conference. Learning from each other in more informal settings can be very valuable and good for our careers. If you are new to the field, the conference is also a great time to find mentors – colleagues who have been working in libraries and who have much to share. Some of the best lessons I have learned did not occur in a classroom, but from a colleague. Each of us brings different experiences to our work and as such has much to share.

Many of you attend your specific section conferences and

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trainings. These are very important to the development of our field. What I find so enriching and energizing about the Kentucky Library Association Conference is the variety of professionals you meet. It is the only statewide conference that brings librarians and staff from all types of libraries together in one place. Each of us, regardless of the type of library we work in, can learn so much from each other. By attending the conference, we better understand what staff in other libraries are accomplishing and what challenges they face.

Navigating Change is a challenge for all of us. However, we will be much more successful and fulfilled if we share what we know and have experienced with others. There is strength in numbers and the conference is a primary way to build on our strengths.

Some highlights of the conference include:

**Wednesday, September 20 - Preconference Sessions**
- ALA Advocacy Bootcamp
- Summer Reading

**Thursday, September 21**
- ALA President Jim Neal
- KLA Awards Luncheon
- Vendor Hall opens 2pm
- Library Mini Golf Social Event in the evening
- Special Section Speaker Julia Whitehead

**Friday, September 22**
- Author Courtney Stevens
- KBA Luncheon featuring Courtney Stevens
- BreakoutEDU / MakerSpace Event
- Academic Section Speaker Richard Hornik
- KPLA Speaker Tom Eblen

**Saturday, September 23**
- School Vendors Available
- Author / Illustrator Amanda Driscoll
- Author Lois Sepahban
- Author Lauren Hudson

Dave Schroeder
KLA President
2017-18 Slate of Officers Announced

In accordance with the policy of the Kentucky Library Association, the Nominating Subcommittee presents the following slate of candidates for 2017-2018. These nominations were approved by the Kentucky Library Association Board at the meeting on June 10, 2017, and will go up for a membership vote at the fall conference.

**President-Elect: Debbra Tate (Special Library Section)**

Debbra Tate is a cataloging and acquisitions librarian at Kentucky State University, and has previously held positions at Murray State University, BWI/Follett Corp., and the American Printing House for the Blind. She received the MSLS degree from the University of Kentucky in 1993 and also holds an art degree from Berea College. Debbra is the current Chair of KLA’s Special Library Section and has served in a number of roles in both the special and academic sections, and in the association at large.

**Secretary: Kandace Rogers (Academic Library Section)**

Kandace Rogers is the Library Director at Sullivan University's Lexington campus. She obtained her Masters of Library Science degree from the University of Kentucky and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Centre College. Her library career started at the Lexington Public Library and has included service for two private law firm libraries, University of Kentucky Libraries and two years at the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies & Research.

Ms. Rogers currently serves as Chair of the Academic Library Section and is a member of the American Library Association, Association of College & Research Libraries and the Kentucky Library Association. She is a past member of American Association of Law Librarians, Special Library Association and is a graduate of the Bluegrass Higher Education Consortium Academic Leadership Academy.

*Bylaws Article 5. NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCESS*
2017-18 Slate of Officers, continued

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.

Policies & Procedures Section 15. ALA COUNCILOR
15.1.1. An ALA Councilor is authorized by KLA Bylaws and the Councilor is elected by the entire KLA membership from specified Sections on a rotating basis.

Kentucky Library Association Nominating Subcommittee

Julie Howe, Chair (Immediate Past President)
Laura Whayne (Special Library Section member)
Betsy Sterner (Academic Library Section member)

– Submitted by Julie Howe, Chair, KLA Nominating Committee.

Upcoming Events of Interest

September 21 – 23, 2017
2017 KLA/KASL Joint Conference
Louisville, KY
http://www.klaonline.org/upcomingconf353.cfm

November 4, 2017
Ohio Kentucky Indiana (OKI) Children’s Literature Conference
Thomas More College, Crestview Hills, KY
http://swonlibraries.org/mpage/oki

November 18, 2017
Kentucky Book Fair
Kentucky Horse Park
Lexington, KY
https://www.kyhumanities.org/kentuckybookfair.html

April 4 – 6, 2018
2018 Joint Spring Conference
General Butler State Resort Park
Carrollton, KY
Join the KLA Resource Sharing Round Table!

Does your work involve circulation, interlibrary loan, document delivery, or electronic resources? Consider joining the KLA Resource Sharing Round Table, a group of Kentucky librarians and library interested in the ways all types of libraries work together to bring information to their patrons, including (but not limited to) interlibrary loan, circulation, document delivery, courier services and electronic resources. The goals of the Round Table are to:

- Promote cooperation and resource sharing among Kentucky libraries;
- Provide peer support to library staff involved in Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery, Circulation, Electronic Resources, Reserves, and Distance Education; and
- Encourage professional growth among its members.

For more information, check out the Resource Sharing Round Table Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/klarsrt/ or the Kentucky Library Association website at http://www.klaonline.org.

– Submitted by Jennifer Bartlett, Past Chair, KLA Resource Sharing Round Table

Support KLA By Shopping AmazonSmile

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets you enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the eligible charitable organization of your choice at no cost to you.

To participate, visit http://smile.amazon.com, log in to your Amazon account, and select Kentucky Library Association as your charity of choice. Purchases must be made at http://smile.amazon.com to be eligible for contribution.
Proposed Changes in KLA Dues Structures

The Kentucky Library Association has operated on a sliding-scale dues structure, based on a member’s salary range, for numerous years. However, the system used by the KLA office to manage membership is very outdated and in need of replacement. Most replacement options will not accommodate the sliding scale structure that is currently in place. Therefore a committee has examined the dues structures of many other state library associations. Some of those have switched from a sliding scale to a flat fee structure.

At the June meeting of the Kentucky Library Association board, the decision was made to bring the following proposal to a vote of the members at the KLA Business Meeting on September 21:

The lowest three tiers of the dues structure will be combined with an effective date of January 1, 2018. This will create a new tier for incomes from $0 to $29,999 at the rate of $43 per year. The intended members of the newly created tier will be full-time employees. Part-time employees will be able to join the support staff category for a lower membership rate.

Members are encouraged to attend the KLA Business Meeting on Thursday, September 22 at 5:00 p.m. to vote on the proposed change to the dues structure.

Kentucky Library Association President Dave Schroeder, Executive Director of Kenton County Public Library (left) and Terry Manuel, State Librarian and Commissioner, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives stand with the READ license plate in the Capitol Rotunda. Proceeds from the special plate support the Linda Kompanik Memorial Scholarships. In three years, KLA awarded $30,000 in scholarships. The newest recipients will be announced at the Fall Conference. – submitted by Judith Gibbons, Chair, KLA Scholarship Committee.
Strong Presence for Kentucky at National Library Legislative Day 2017

National Library Legislative Day (NLLD) is an advocacy event organized by ALA every May that gathers librarians from each state to give voice to the issues affecting libraries with our elected officials in Washington. Kentucky librarians attended a one-day training that covered key issues including federal funding for libraries, net neutrality, open access, copyright, and privacy, followed by a day of meetings at legislators’ offices. The training included presentations by ALA President Julie Todaro, National Security Project Director for the American Civil Liberties Union, Hina Shamsi, and many other library and advocacy experts. Hearing these unique perspectives armed each state delegation with useful facts and techniques to engage Senators, House Representatives, and their staff in the role and impact libraries have in every community.

Kentucky had a large group of advocates including KLA President Dave Schroeder, Library Awareness Chair Sara Schumacher, Academic Libraries Section Chair Kandace Rogers, KPLA Chair Tonya Head, KASL President Renee Hale, and Special Libraries Section Chair Debbra Tate. Kentucky State Library Commissioner Terry Manuel, Friends of Kentucky Libraries representative Wayne Onkst, Director of the McCracken County Public Library Susan Baier, and Co-Chair the ALSC Advocacy & Legislation Committee Africa Hands rounded out the delegation.

Our numbers made it possible to have the flexibility to meet with each Kentucky legislator’s office at a convenient time for them and ensure that every type of library was included in the conversation.

Susan Baier reflected that “this year’s NLLD was particularly exciting because Congress was in session, and in many cases we were able to meet directly with our legislators themselves as well as their aides. It was a fantastic opportunity to speak to Congressman Comer directly about the work we do in Kentucky libraries to support literacy and workforce development in our communities. The legislators we visited were interested, engaged, and asked us good questions.”
National Library Legislative Day, continued

Susan Baier with Congressman James Comer, District 1

Kentucky delegation with Senator Rand Paul and staff

Wayne Onkst, Sara Schumacher, Susan Baier, Renee Hale with Congressman Brett Guthrie, District 2

Kentucky delegation with Congressman John Yarmuth, District 3

Sara Schumacher and Kandace Rogers with Congressman Hal Rogers, District 5

— Submitted by Sara Schumacher, Library Awareness Chair.
Ten Public Libraries in Kentucky Receive 20-Year State Construction Grants Totaling $20 Million

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) has awarded 10 Public Library Facilities Construction Fund grants totaling $20 million over 20 years. Each library will receive an allotted dollar amount annually for the next 20 years to assist with debt retirement.

The total amount KDLA is distributing among the libraries per year is $1 million. Yearly allotments range from $18,200 to $207,390, depending on the size of each library’s grant. KDLA is an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Four of the libraries are building a new facility, with the remaining six libraries using the grant to expand and renovate. The grant recipients are Clay County Public Library, Corbin Public Library, Grant County Public Library, Henry County Public Library, Louisville Free Public Library, Larue County Public Library, Madison County Public Library, Marion County Public Library, William B. Harlan Memorial Library (Monroe County), and Russell County Public Library.

“Congratulations to the Public Library Facilities Construction Fund grant recipients that will be getting new, expanded and renovated public libraries,” said Terry Manuel, State Librarian and Commissioner of KDLA. “The number one need cited on each grant application was for additional space. We’re excited that a total of 95,773 square feet of space is being added by these 10 construction projects. The grants will make a tremendous difference for these communities.

“More space will allow for 21st century library demands. Larger facilities will have more room for updated technology, better wiring and faster connectivity. The funds will increase public computer stations, public meeting rooms, shelf space, accessible restrooms, elevators and public parking spaces,” he said.

Across Kentucky, library use continues to explode. The Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries, Fiscal Year 2015-2016 reports that the number of people who entered a public library last year in Kentucky was 18,108,790. More and more libraries are falling behind in having adequate square footage to provide for the needs of the community. As library usage continues to grow rapidly, current space remains below the minimum square footage recommended in the Kentucky Public Library Standards document.

“In these times of limited funds, libraries have done their part to help alleviate the space crunch by extending their hours, adding robust community outreach programs, and significantly increasing their online programs and services. Yet many libraries are simply out of room,” Manuel said.

Grant recipient Larue County Public Library is building a new 10,133-square-foot facility. Library Director Dana Jolly said, “Right now we have six computer stations for adults, six for children, and two laptops for teens to checkout and use in-house. Our new library will feature 16 adult computer stations, eight for children and four for teens in addition to laptops.”

One key area affected by the lack of room is meeting space. All 10 of the grant recipients
are dramatically increasing meeting space. The demand is clear. The Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries, Fiscal Year 2015-2016 reports that last year 25,677 unique groups held 88,070 meetings in public libraries.

Grant County will be adding 9,920 square feet to its current library with the funds. “Currently we have to turn away some requests for meeting space due to our meeting room’s small size or unavailability,” said Grant County Public Library Director Susan Nimersheim.

The grant recipients are adding flexible spaces, which will meet various purposes. Besides large community rooms and conference rooms, additional small meeting/study rooms and boardrooms will be available to the public.

“Our addition will house a large community room measuring 1,120 square feet providing space for large events such as plays, musical performances, Kentucky Humanities’ Chautauqua speakers, summer reading performers, etc.,” said Corbin Public Library Board of Trustees President Brenda Jones. “A soundproof room divider can be closed to create two single rooms.”

Kentucky libraries also find that they are in desperate need of additional programming space. According to the Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries, Fiscal Year 2015-2016, 97,632 programs were held in public libraries last year with a total attendance of 2,442,452 children, teens and adults.

Many of the new libraries and additions will include a new form of programming space called maker spaces. A maker space is an area that enables a variety of experiential learning opportunities such as crafting, media production, cooking, and health-related activities.

“We hear at least once a day, ‘When am I getting my new library?’ said Henry County Public Library Director Jessica Powell. “We can’t wait for our larger meeting room and expanded children’s room, as these flexible spaces will give us more room to present our programs. In recent years we have had to schedule two of every program because we just can’t accommodate the demand.”

Among the exciting features in included in the plans are expanded children’s rooms, new and expanded teen areas, local history/genealogy rooms, comfortable reading spaces, Internet Café’s, elevators, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant restrooms, greatly increased parking spaces and outdoor reading areas.

The Public Library Facilities Construction Fund program, authorized by the Kentucky General Assembly in 2000, was designed to improve local library facilities around the state. Thirty-seven libraries in 36 Kentucky counties are currently utilizing funds from the program. Since 2000, KDLA has awarded a total of more than $44.5 million to 48 public libraries.

KDLA provides equitable access to quality library and information resources and services, as well as helps public agencies ensure that legislatively mandated documentation of government programs is created, efficiently maintained and made accessible. For more information on KDLA resources, programs, and services visit www.kdla.ky.gov or call 502-564-1753.
KLA/KASL Joint Conference Coming Soon

The KLA/KASL Joint Conference will be held September 21-23 at the Galt House Hotel in Louisville. Registration and hotel reservation information is now available at [http://www.klaonline.org/conreg990.cfm](http://www.klaonline.org/conreg990.cfm). A draft conference program is available at [http://klaonline.org/docs/2017_KLA_program_draft_v6_FULL.pdf](http://klaonline.org/docs/2017_KLA_program_draft_v6_FULL.pdf). This year’s program features speakers such as:

- ALA President Jim Neal
- Lieutenant Governor Jenean Hampton and Miss Kentucky Outstanding Teen Abigail Quammen
- *Lexington Herald-Leader* Metro/State Columnist Tom Eblen
- Richard Hornik, Director of Overseas Partnership Programs for the Center for News Literacy at Stony Brook University
- Emily Sedgwick and Patricia Lovett from the National Center for Families Learning (NCFL)
- Bobbi Newman, Community Outreach and Engagement Specialist, National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Greater Midwest Region
- Julia A. Whitehead, Founder & CEO, Kurt Vonnegut Museum & Library
- Courtney Stevens, Author of *Faking Normal, The Lies about Truth*, and *Dress Codes for Small Towns*

Don’t miss out – register today!
EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

EKU Libraries Staff Participate in Planning of LOEX 2017

LOEX 2017 was held in Lexington, KY May 11 – 13 at the Hyatt Regency. Nicole Masica Montgomery served as co-chair for the local planning committee along with Beth Fuchs from the University of Kentucky Libraries. Sarah Richardson also served on the committee. EKU Libraries graphic designer Melissa Abney was heavily involved in the conference as well, designing this year’s logos, printed program, schedule at a glance, and flyer. Committee work began in September 2015.

LOEX is considered the premier library instruction conference in the United States. Over 350 instruction librarians from colleges and universities in the U.S. meet each year in May to share their knowledge and techniques. Founded in 1971, LOEX is a self-supporting, nonprofit educational clearinghouse for library instruction and information literacy. LOEX has grown from a lending repository of library instruction materials and host of an annual conference on the subject to an internationally known organization that serves as a conduit for those working in the field. Currently, LOEX has over 650 member libraries in the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia, and Asia. More info is available by visiting:

http://www.loexconference.org/contact.html.

EKU Libraries was also a gold level sponsor of the conference. – Submitted by Krista Rhodus, EKU Libraries.

LINDSEY WILSON COLLEGE

Director Retiring

Director of Library Services Phil Hanna retired in June 2017. He began working for Lindsey Wilson College in 1993 and had served as Director of Library Services since 1999. – Submitted by Phil Hanna.

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

Camden Carroll Library News

Camden Carroll Library is excited to announce a new SpringShare purchase, which will allow for better integration of library-oriented services on their library website. In keeping with CCL’s mission and goals, the new interface and applications will allow MSU’s students, staff, and faculty to succeed in more efficient and effective scholarly research.

In staff news, Jason Griffith has been hired as the Systems Librarian. Jason received his MLS from the University of Kentucky, and is the library liaison for MSU’s Math, Physics, and Earth & Space Sciences departments.

CCL is proud to assist all summer groups
KLA Member News and Library Updates (continued)

coming to MSU’s campus in the upcoming months. Students from the Governor’s Scholars Program, the Upward Bound program, GEARUP, the Success Academy, and InSight will have opportunities to enjoy the services and spaces provided and maintained by the library’s dedicated staff. – Submitted by Sarah Mollette, Morehead State University.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Appointments

Rebecca Pattillo has accepted the position of Metadata Librarian at the University of Louisville Libraries effective July 3, 2017.

Tiffney Gipson was appointed Head of Collections at the Kornhauser Health Sciences Library, University of Louisville Libraries on July 1, 2017. – Submitted by Melissa Laning, University of Louisville Libraries.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Staff News

Dr. Brian E. Coutts, department head for Library Public Services, and Rosemary Meszaros, coordinator for Government Information and Law at WKU Libraries, conducted a national webinar on “Librarian as Scholar” through CREDO. Approximately 300 registered for the live conversation held June 7 at 1 pm. Coutts and Meszaros offered tips and insights into how librarians can cultivate their own research activities while bolstering their reference collections in new and exciting ways. To register for the recording go to:

http://mktg.credoreference.com/rusa-webinar?utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=53048378&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-8RrfwxYJxY498ECIc4cqU2YGpckCmQQIE21qwO6_q-VIMZi_2vniImNI2k2cIkYMjUe7vFiOpxPSh4x4PGIEdQWLjQ&_hsml=53048378

– submitted by Jennifer Wilson, WKU 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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