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Library Support Staff Interests Round Table

LSSIRT Newsletter

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President's Corner

From the newly elected incoming President...

It is with regrets that I share this sad news with all of you. Health issues have forced AnnaMarie Kehnast to resign as LSSIRT's president. Although her condition is not life threatening, AnnaMarie is unable to attend the annual conference in D.C. next month. AnnaMarie has done an outstanding job of representing LSSIRT and carrying the voice of library support staff within the ALA. She was instrumental in the development of the Library Support Staff Certification Program (LSCCP). How unfortunate that she will miss LSCCP's first anniversary celebration next month! While we may see less of AnnaMarie, I'm confident that

we will still hear from her as she continues to be a strong and active advocate for libraries and library workers! Our sincere thank you, AnnaMarie, and we wish you all the best!

The LSSIRT By-Laws state: "In the event of the absence, disability, death or resignation of the President, the Vice President shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President." I am truly disappointed that I will not have the opportunity to work under AnnaMarie's guidance before moving to president. However, I look forward to working with the LSSIRT Steering Committee, membership and others within ALA as we continue to build a vibrant, inclusive, accessible, and supportive community of

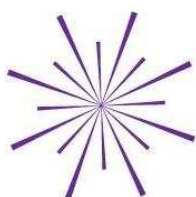


LSSIRT President Trish Palluck

library support staff that is a vital part of the American Library Association.

Thank you for your support. I am truly honored to serve you and do want to hear from you! Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the LSSIRT Roundtable. You can email me at: tpallu@wyo.gov

Best regards, Trish



Why come to ALA Annual Conference?

- Learn the newest library trends
- Listen to your favorite authors
- Talk to all the vendors face-to-face
- Get some SWAG (stuff we all get)
- Network, network, network!
- Enjoy many events and refreshments

LSSIRT Board Member in Print

Congratulations to Jason Pendleton (J.P.) for the publication of his article "The Campus Courier Service: Campus Delivery of Books and Journals at Auburn University" in the Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery & Electronic Reserve (Vol. 19:4,317-323) He co-authored this article with Pambanisha King, also of Auburn University. The

Auburn Campus Courier Service provides access to printed books and bound journal collections, but the circulation numbers are not as high as the electronic delivery of journal articles. The authors conclude that additional promotion of the courier service might result in more usage for Auburn patrons. Online access at:

<http://tinyurl.com/29ya9b6>



Programs & Events for Support Staff



LSSIRT and ALA-APA have partnered to offer programs for all types of support staff in all types of libraries.



SATURDAY, JUNE 26

LSSIRT Business and Membership Meeting

8 am - 12 noon
Renaissance Washington DC, Meeting Room 07

Open to all registered conference attendees. Come hear the latest news about LSSIRT activities.

Communication Skills for Front Line Library Staff

1:30-3:30 pm
Washington Convention Center (WCC) - 151-B

Pat Wagner, Pattern Research, conducts library organization and training workshops. This session will provide frontline library staff with communication skills. Pat's presentation will combine humor and insightful coaching.

LJ Award Reception

5:30-7:30 pm
The Library Journal's Paraprofessional of the Year Award Reception will be held on Saturday June 26th from 5:30-7:30pm. Details regarding the venue are not firm, but anyone interested in receiving an invitation may email

Library Journal's event staff at:

ljevents@reedbusiness.com

LSSIRT Night Out

Come and support LSSIRT with an enjoyable evening with your colleagues. LSSIRT's Night Out will be held at the Capitol City Brewing Company. For more information and the sign-up form visit page 5 of this newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there! It will be a night of fun and friends.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27

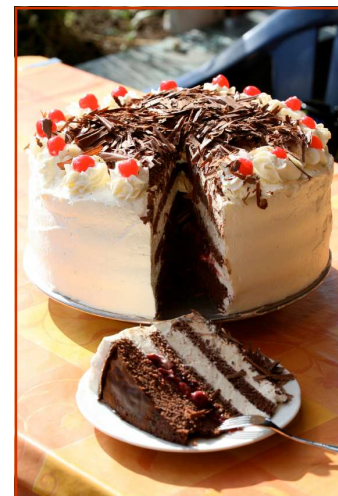
LSSIRT Discussion Group

10:30 am-12:00 noon
WCC-143A

Looking to network with other support staff? Interested in learning more about the Library Support Staff Certification Program? Nancy Bolt, LSSCP Project Co-Director, will answer your questions. Meet current LSSCP students and make valuable connections for sharing and problem-solving.

LSSCP Celebration Membership Pavilion 2-3 pm

Join LSSIRT's big celebration of the new LSSCP candidates at the ALA Membership Pavilion from 2-3 pm. Please come and celebrate our support staff certification candidates. Learn more about the program and the value it could bring to your career. There will be cake for the early arrivals!



ALA-APA Programs

ALA-APA is providing many programs during Annual Conference. For a snapshot of these, visit page 4 of this newsletter or visit their website for a complete listing:

<http://www.tinyurl.com/o8xqwa>

Enjoy a Variety of Speakers

Saturday, June 26

Opening General Session, 5:30-6:30 pm
Wash. Convention Center (WCC)
Nobel-prize winning author Toni Morrison will be the featured speaker.

Monday, June 28

Exhibits Closing Program, Exhibit Hall
4:30-5:30 pm
Recording star Natalie

Merchant will rock the hall with her singular sound.

Tuesday, June 29

Closing General Session, 9-10 am
WCC Exhibit Hall
Author, actor, and comedienne Amy Sedaris will bring the closing message that promises to be very entertaining.

The Auditorium

Speaker Series will include Nancy Pearl, Sue Monk Kidd, Sarah, Duchess of York, Dave Isay, Sir Salman Rushdie, Dennis Lehane, Audrey Niffenegger, Junot Diaz, David Small and John Grisham. Times for these programs vary so check your Program.



Toni Morrison

Book Cart Drill Team Championships

Sunday, June 27

6th Annual Book Cart Drill Team World Championships
4-5:30 pm, WCC Hall D

The best show on wheels -- book cart wheels! Can library

folks really let their hair down? What do the Dewey Decimators and the Well-Stacked Sci-Brarians have in common? Do you think you have seen every thing that can be done

on or with a book cart? Think again! Come see fancy footwork, eye-popping costumes and toe-tapping music!

Link to YouTube videos here:

<http://tinyurl.com/25h5bjl>



“Ride of the Valkyries” winners of the Bookcart Drill Team World Championships held at the 2009 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago.

Scholarship Bash at the Newseum

Saturday, June 25

7-11:00 pm
555 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC

Have you heard about Washington's newest museum? The Newseum is a 250,000 square foot museum of news. It blends 5 centuries of news history with the latest technology and hands-

on exhibits. Spread over seven levels of galleries, theaters, and retail spaces, the Newseum offers a unique experience that takes visitors behind the scenes to experience how and why news is made. Located at the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and 6th Street, the Newseum is easily

accessible from the Metro or a short cab ride from the Washington Convention Center:

<http://www.tinyurl.com/6gcuwg>

Tickets are \$40 and are tax-deductible, as applicable by law. Proceeds go toward ALA MLS Scholarships.

Register online at:

<http://www.ala.org/annual/>



ALA Election Results

Molly Raphael, former director of libraries at Multnomah County Library in Portland (OR) has been elected president-elect of the American Library Association, defeating Sara Kelly Johns, school library media specialist for grades 6-12 at Lake Placid (N.Y.) Middle/High School.

James Neal, vice president for information services and university

librarian at Columbia University, was elected treasurer, defeating Alan Kornblau, director of the Delray Beach (FL) Public Library.

For LSSIRT, our new officers are:

Trish Palluck, President-Elect

Valeria Fike, ALA Councillor

Kareen Turner, Secretary

Kerrie Stramler, Treasurer

Anita Kosinski, Member At Large

Marilyn Jack-Brown, Member At Large

Full results of the ALA elections can be found at:

<http://tinyurl.com/2e2oorj>

Congratulations to all! New officers will begin their terms on July 1st.



Molly Raphael
President-Elect of ALA

ALA-APA Programs for the People

Saturday, June 26

Professional Integrity and Library Workers: What's the connection?
1:30-3:30 pm - WCC-205

The role professional integrity plays in privacy and intellectual freedom.

Union 101 for libraries
4:00-5:30pm - WCC-155
Modern labor unions and their successes.

Sunday, June 27

Not So Extreme Makeovers
1:30-3:30 pm - WCC-151B

Let your light shine without plastic surgery, costly duds or hypnosis.

Getting Back in the Game: Advice for the laid off, insecurely employed, and mid-career slump
4-5:30 pm - WCC101
Be courageous, motivated and well-prepared.

Library Support Staff Certification Program (LSSCP) Open Forum
4-5:30 pm, WCC-158A
Are you thinking of becoming certified? Learn more about our newest program.

Monday, June 28

LSSCP Portfolio Evaluator Training
1:30-3:30 pm - Grand Hyatt - Roosevelt/Wilson

Your expertise can benefit the profession by evaluating portfolios.

Stress and depression in the workplace: Effective methods for preventing and/or treating emotional challenges
4-5:30 pm - WCC145A
Learn the signs and treatment options.

Negotiation - What else is on the table?
4-5:30 pm - WCC 102A
Learn the basics of negotiating for the total compensation package.

For complete speaker listings for these programs, visit the ALA-APA website:

<http://tinyurl.com/o8xqwa>

"Let your light shine without plastic surgery, costly duds or hypnosis."



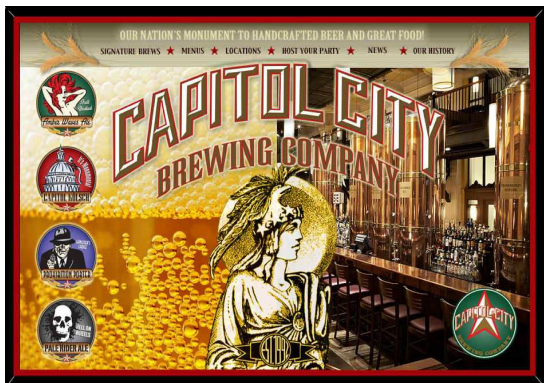
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CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

ALA-APA

LSSIRT Night Out at Capitol City Brewing Co.



Come out and support LSSIRT with an enjoyable NIGHT OUT at DC's very own **CAPTITOL CITY BREWING CO.**

When: Saturday, June 26th, 2009

Time: 7-9pm

Location: corner of 11th & H St. NW

Map Link: <http://www.tinyurl.com/2562xwh>

Capitol City Brewing Company opened in 1992, Washington DC's first brewpub since Prohibition. Less than half a mile from the Washington Convention Center at the corner of 11th and H Streets NW, this restaurant offers a convenient location with palate-pleasing food.

Please, come out and enjoy a memorable evening of fun with your colleagues!

The cost of this event is \$35 per person

Menu: Mixed green salad served with tomatoes and balsamic vinaigrette
 Grilled chicken breast served with cilantro rice pilaf and seasonal vegetables
 Brownie cake wedge with whipped cream
 Coffee, tea or soda

LSSIRT NIGHT OUT SIGN-UP FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Number Attending: _____

Total Enclosed: _____



Please send this form & check to:

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****DEADLINE FOR MAILING IS JUNE 14, 2010*****

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Our mission is to provide an arena within ALA for programming, communication and networking for library support staff.

Sign-up for the LSSIRT Members-Only E-list!

For timely updates and for networking with LSSIRT colleagues, be sure and sign-up for the very low volume LSSIRT e-list.

To sign-up, send an e-mail to Martha Parsons at...
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