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New "Reader" Technology for Wolfner Patrons

By Richard Smith, Wolfner Library Director

The free national library program has operated the analog audio cassette book and machine service since the 1970s, but this now outdated technology has reached the end of its useful life. Wolfner Library is one of the eight pre-launch libraries in the country to begin replacing their current 400,000 audio cassette books and 17,000 audio cassette players with digital books and players over the next three to six years. There are distinct advantages of digital over the analog technology, such as:

Flash memory cartridges that:

- are portable and easier to use
- have larger storage densities and capacities
- provide better audio quality
- have a simple duplication process
- allow cartridges to be reused while retaining high-quality audio reproduction

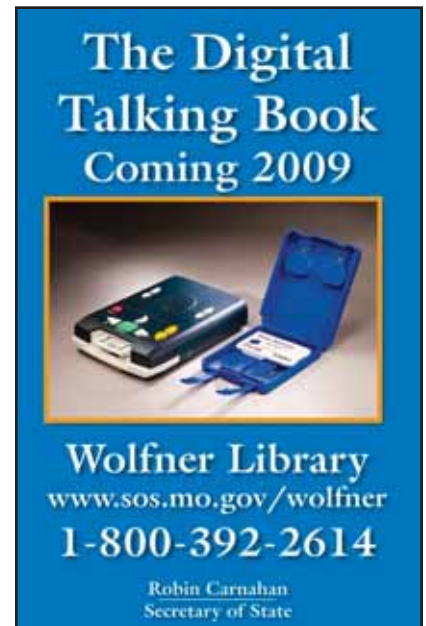
and digital players that:

- are portable and easier to use
- are more robust and resistant to damage as well as smaller, more compact and lighter weight
- have no moving parts, consume less power and have longer battery operation
- are more reliable and have fewer malfunctions with simpler repairs.

Operations at network libraries will also benefit from this improved and less expensive technology by allowing collection storage space to be maximized and cost savings redirected to continue program and service improvement. Wolfner's first shipment of 500 digital talking book players is expected in February 2009.

The critical components of this new format and service are digital players, digital flash cartridges and mailing containers. Plexto, the electronic equipment division of Shinano Kenshi, will produce 20,000 digital talking-book players a month in both standard and advanced models. Northstar Systems Inc. will manufacture flash-memory cartridges for recording audiobooks. The Friends of Wolfner Library have earmarked \$50,000 for the purchase of blank cartridges that will be used for book duplication, which will provide 10,000 rather than the original 5,000 cartridges. Mailing containers for the talking-book cartridges will be produced for network library purchase by LC Industries. The Friends group has allocated an additional \$3,000 to purchase 4,000 mailing containers for Wolfner.

Congratulations to Wolfner Library for qualifying as a selected early implementer of this advanced technology. Regular shipments of the new digital system to all National Library Service libraries are scheduled to begin early May 2009.



Scholarship Program Celebrates Five Years

By Brandy Sanchez, Continuing Education Consultant

The Missouri State Library Scholarship program is proud to celebrate its fifth anniversary. State Library scholarships cover the expense of all educational fees associated with pursuing an MLS and/or Media Specialist certification. Since its inception in 2003, the State Library has committed nearly \$500,000 to assisting students to reach their goal of professional librarianship.

Over the last five years, 47 students have graduated from the program. In exchange for financial assistance, recipients commit to work in a publicly funded Missouri library for a defined length of time. Over 30 different library systems have benefited from these students' new skill sets and creative talents.

In 2008, the scholarship program welcomed four new students: Michele Sterrett of Columbia; Eric Deatherage of Springfield; Janet Smith of Sweet Springs; and Sharon Salmons of Columbia. The program currently provides funding for 24 active students.

Applicant submissions are solicited each winter for the next Fall and the subsequent calendar year's Winter/Spring and Summer semesters. There is only one application period each year. Applications are now being accepted for the 2009–2010 academic year. New as well as returning students who plan to work in a Missouri library after graduation, are encouraged to apply. Scholarship guidelines and application form are posted at www.sos.mo.gov/library/scholarship/. The application call occurs in late fall with applications due in late winter.

Our graduated scholarship recipients have gone on to share their new knowledge and creative talents in the more than 30 publicly funded Missouri library systems, including:

Barton County Library	Nixa R-II School District
Camden County Library	North Kansas City School District
Cass County Library	Osage County R-II School District
Chilhowee R-IV School District	Parkway C-2 School District
Columbia Public School District	Pierce City R-VI School District
East Buchanan C-I School District	Raytown C-2 School District
East Central College	Richmond R-XVI School District
Hickman Mills School District	Smithville R-II School District
Jefferson College	Springfield-Greene County Library
Kansas City School District	St. Louis Community College
Kearney R-I School District	St. Louis County Public Library
Knob Noster R-VIII School District	St. Louis Public Library
Ladue School District	University City Public Library
Liberty Public School District	University of Central Missouri
Missouri State Archives	Washington Public Library
Mount Vernon R-V School District	Washington School District

Post-2000 Census Updates for 60 Missouri Areas

By Katina Jones, Statistical Research Analyst

In December, the U.S. Census Bureau released the first American Community Survey (ACS) multiyear estimates for mid-sized areas since the 2000 Census. These new estimates combine survey responses collected from 2005 to 2007 for mid-sized areas nationwide. This means that nearly 60 Missouri counties, cities or places with populations between 20,000 and 65,000 now have an updated statistical "portrait" of their community to replace generally outdated Census 2000 figures.

So what is the nature of this new ACS data? The subjects covered in the survey include:

- Demographic characteristics like age, sex and race;
- Economic characteristics such as income, labor force status and health insurance coverage;
- Social characteristics like marital status, educational attainment and disability; and
- Housing and financial characteristics such as owning vs. renting and other selected monthly costs

Why are these ACS numbers so important? The ACS will replace the decennial census long form in 2010 and thereafter by collecting long-form-type information throughout the decade rather than only once every 10 years. The ACS data will provide, for the first time, a continuous stream of updated information for states and local areas, and will revolutionize the way we use data to understand our communities.

Access to these data has been made easy with the American FactFinder tool at <http://factfinder.census.gov> and on the Missouri Census Data Center Web site <http://mcdc2.missouri.edu>. These two sites are your source not only for ACS data but decennial Census data, population estimates and economic census data. You can search by county, place, school or library district or various statistical areas and obtain tables or maps for the demographic, economic, social, housing or financial data gathered with these surveys.

The Census Bureau has also created a series of educational materials called Compass Products to help users better understand and appropriately use ACS data. These materials include user-specific handbooks (i.e., for the business community, state and local governments, general users, high school teachers, etc.) and fully scripted presentations for those training others to use the data. These Compass Products can be accessed from the ACS web site www.census.gov/acs/www/.

Show Me Express and the Missouri Census Data Center will publicize upcoming regional trainings on how to effectively access and utilize American Community Survey data. Now that communities are no longer limited to a once-a-decade look at their population's characteristics, library directors throughout the state can take advantage of these ongoing updates for use in budget planning, grant writing and collection development in their libraries.

Spotlight on LSTA Competitive Grant Projects

By Debbie Musselman, LSTA Grants Officer

Each year the State Library selects several exemplary LSTA grant projects based on their notable quality of project design and implementation. These commendable projects are included in Missouri's annual report to the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) on the use of LSTA funds. The following Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) projects were recently designated as exemplary by the Missouri State Library, Library Development staff.

Springfield-Greene County Library Cooperation Grant

This was a pilot project to identify regional collections that, when digitized, will expand and enhance online resources by providing quality information about the Civil War in the Ozarks. It was designated as exemplary for creating an effective consortium of cultural heritage institutions in southwestern Missouri which will continue to work collaboratively on the actual digitization of materials. Project staff also created a "Planning and Development Manual for Digitization Projects" that other institutions can use to replicate the planning process in other areas of Missouri and beyond.

Missouri Department of Mental Health Cooperation Grant

The Missouri Department of Mental Health developed four training videos for public librarians to help develop good skills in working with persons with mental health issues or physical disabilities. The project (videos are available at www.librarian411.org) was designated as exemplary because the high quality training materials fill a nationwide need and have the potential to improve customer service to persons with disabilities throughout the United States, not just in libraries, but in other entities as well.

Bollinger County Library Discoveries Grant

The Library offered four senior expos focusing on issues concerning seniors: Natural Healing; 911 and Disaster Planning; Economy (Where Do I Put My Money?); and Estate Planning. The project was designated as exemplary because the subject matter represents areas where accurate, unbiased information is not always readily available to the public.

Saint Louis Mercantile Library at the University of Missouri–Saint Louis Retrospective Conversion Grant

Established in 1984 as a special collection of the Saint Louis Mercantile Library, the John W. Barriger III National Railroad Library is one of North America's largest and finest railroad history collections. This project converted catalog records of this collection into electronic format and shared them in the OCLC WorldCat union catalog. Seventy percent of the records created from this collection were original cataloging of uniquely held materials. The project was designated as exemplary for its significant contribution to Internet-accessible records of important research materials in this area.

Morgan County R-1 School District Summer Library Program Grant

The School took the Summer Library Program on the road to communities in its district that do not have access to a public library summer reading program. The project was designated as exemplary for the project development process that resulted in significant community input in program implementation. Parents understand the importance of reading through the summer to maintain reading levels and as a result actively support and encourage summer reading in their homes and encourage other members in the community to do the same. Because of the positive response to the program, the Library plans to offer "Family Night" programs in these communities throughout the year.

Missouri State Librarian testifies before Congressional Committee

State Librarian Margaret Conroy spoke before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation in Washington, D.C. on September 16th. She addressed the essential services and broadband connectivity libraries provide to the American public. Her testimony included examples demonstrating libraries' vital need for assured, affordable access to broadband technologies to adequately meet our citizens' information needs

Summer Reading Program Gains Youth Participation

By Marge Kudrna, Youth Services Consultant

The 2008 Summer Reading Program garnered an overall 12% increase in youth participation. The children's *Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library* theme produced an 8% increase in participation while teen participation in *Metamorphosis @ Your Library* showed a 36% increase over the 2007 Summer Reading Program numbers. In total, 176,436 Missouri youth read, participated in programs and/or activities at their libraries and at library-community partner outreach sites. Approximately 80% were children up to age 11 and 20% were 12-18 year old teens. An additional 102 youth and 6 schools were registered for the Program with Wolfner Library; Friends of Wolfner Library provided the program prizes.

The 2009 Summer Reading Program statewide themes are *Be Creative @ Your Library* for children and *Express Yourself @ Your Library* for teens. Missouri is one of 47 state members of the Collaborative Summer Reading Program.

Free College of DuPage Staff Training Teleconferences

By Brandy Sanchez, Continuing Education Consultant

No Limits Learning is a distance education program which allows library staff to complete skills training without ever leaving the library. For the winter and spring sessions, the Missouri State Library has partnered with College of DuPage Press to offer five Library Learning Network teleconferences at no charge to Missouri libraries.

The teleconferences can be received live via satellite link or desktop streaming video. Participants may interact with the expert panelists and ask questions by e-mail or phone during the teleconference. There are still two teleconferences remaining in the series:

- Diversity Beyond the Obvious on Friday, April 3
- An Ounce of Prevention: Health Reference Basics on Thursday, April 16

If you are unable to view the live presentation, all registered locations will receive a free DVD recording by mail from College of DuPage Press. Take advantage of this opportunity to keep your staff up to date on library issues and technologies. Maximize the impact of these programs by planning a discussion group around the topics or using them as a staff development event.

Currently, 26 sites throughout Missouri have registered to participate in this distance learning opportunity. To register your library, please visit: www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/nolimitslearning/default.asp

Lifelong Learning Programming for Older Adults

By Ann Roberts, Adult Services Coordinator

Lifelong learning now means actively learning longer for Missouri's up-and-coming Baby Boomer generation. Libraries everywhere are recognizing the tremendous impact they can have on this growing user audience: Missouri's 65 and above population is projected to increase 15% by 2010. You can't afford not to engage the interests and support of this significant user audience by developing and expanding programming for older adults.

In an effort to offer quality educational programming for older adults in rural Missouri, the state library is purchasing courses from the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Missouri-Columbia to be transmitted via videoconference to libraries around the state. Drawing upon the professional and artistic community of Columbia, Osher offers courses in a wide variety of subject areas, taught by working, or retired but active, professionals in different fields. Courses last from four to eight weeks, and include topics ranging from politics and science to visual arts, music, theatre, local history and gardening.

Osher courses are scheduled in accordance with the University calendar, resulting in four sessions per year and classes meet once a week for one and one half hours from four to eight weeks. Participating libraries are required to register students and distribute and collect evaluations at the end of each course. Since summer 2008, 71 seniors in three rural areas in the state have participated in courses taught by experts in the area of horticulture, Missouri history, and political issues surrounding the Presidential election of 2008.

If your library is a videoconferencing site and you are interested in offering Osher programs to your seniors for the upcoming winter session, contact Adult Services Consultant, Ann Roberts at 800-325-0131, ext. 5, or Ann.Roberts@sos.mo.gov. Preference will be given to small and rural libraries where programming options are not as readily available.

Missouri Digital Heritage to Add New Collections

By Patricia Walker, Digital Collections Coordinator

Since the launch of the Missouri Digital Heritage Initiative (MDHI) in April 2008, a number of institutions from around the state have contributed their materials for inclusion on the Web site. Examples of the prime collections received are:

- The **Frank and Jesse James Circuit Court documents** from the Missouri State Archives, cover the murder of John Sheets during a hold-up and the subsequent theft of a horse, saddle, and bridle as the brothers made their escape
- The **Stephens College Yearbook Collection**, *Stephensophia* 1900-1940 that highlights Columbia life and community at one of the state's preeminent women's colleges
- **Ellinor Dale Runcie Letters** from Missouri Western State University Library
- The **House of Bethany Journal** from Lindenwood University in which the religious-based organization documents the efforts of women in St. Louis to provide assistance to the poor of the city.

Visit and explore the MDH site www.sos.mo.gov/mdh/ to see what new treasures have been added that may be of interest to your patrons.

Leadership Transition at Springfield-Greene District

Annie Busch, executive director of the Springfield–Greene County Library District, has retired and handed off leadership for the 10-branch system to Regina Cooper in early January 2009. Busch has 30 years of experience in the library field, 23 of which were at Springfield–Greene, and has served as the district’s director for nearly two decades. During her lengthy tenure she shepherded the system to national recognition for its innovative application of cutting-edge technology as well as guided the renovation of every branch and the addition of four new branches. She leaves a premier library district that excels in anticipating trends and providing exemplary library services and programming.

Regina Cooper came to Springfield to be the ninth leader of the 105-year-old district. The former associate director of public services at the Main Library of Alabama’s Huntsville–Madison County Library was one of the four finalists provided by the Chicago-based search consultant firm, John Keister & Associates. A native of Cornersville, Mississippi, she graduated with an American Library Association accredited master’s degree in library science from Iowa’s Peabody College, an affiliate of Vanderbilt University. She brings 28 years of experience at a system comparable to Springfield-Greene as she assumes the responsibilities of visionary leader, involved community partner and engaged administrator.



Former First Lady Laura Bush presents Kansas City Public Library Board President Jonathan Kemper and Library Director Crosby Kemper III their National Medal for Museum and Library Service at a White House Ceremony, October 7. Dr. Anne-Imelda Radice, Institute of Museum and Library Service Director, stands right.

Kansas City Public Library Has a VERY Good Year

Kansas City Public Library received a number of recognitions during 2008: kudos to KCPL for so admirably exemplifying quality library service in Missouri!

- KCPL was one of ten institutions nationally recognized for making its community a better place to live. Each of the recipient libraries received a 2008 National Medal and a \$10,000 award from the Institute for Museum and Library Services. Kansas City’s innovative 2008 project, Books to Go:
 - Provided monthly delivery to more than 7,000 pre-school-aged children in community care venues

- Presented an extensive menu of special events
- Developed Once Upon a Time, a kid-friendly exhibit and other related programming.
- Both Kansas City and St. Louis were included in America's Most Literate Cities' Top Ten list for library support, holdings and utilization www.ccsu.edu/amlc08/. Missouri and Ohio were the only states with multiple entries on the list. City rankings were determined on calculated ratios of available library services and resources to its population.
- The Library was awarded two Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Legacy grants totaling \$5 million:
 - \$4 million grant to support and enhance community education programs
 - \$1 million Legacy Fund grant in November for use in its continuing partnership support of the Black Archives of Mid-America, which is located in the city's historic jazz district at 18th and Vine.

And lastly, MSN's City Guides <http://cityguides.msn.com/citylife/cityarticle.aspx?cp-documentid=10444020> declared Kansas City Public Library's parking garage "truly cool." The exterior of the facility simulates enormous versions of books spines in a giant bookshelf. The selected "volumes" were suggested by the people of Kansas City as titles they felt represented the city. Who else but a one-of-a-kind library would be included among America's "10 coolest public libraries" for its car park.



Missouri Center for the Book (MCB) presenters Steve Weinberg, Mark Tiedemann and Scott Phillip Phillips.

Missouri Poet Laureate Featured at Local Celebration

By Ann Roberts, Adult Services Coordinator

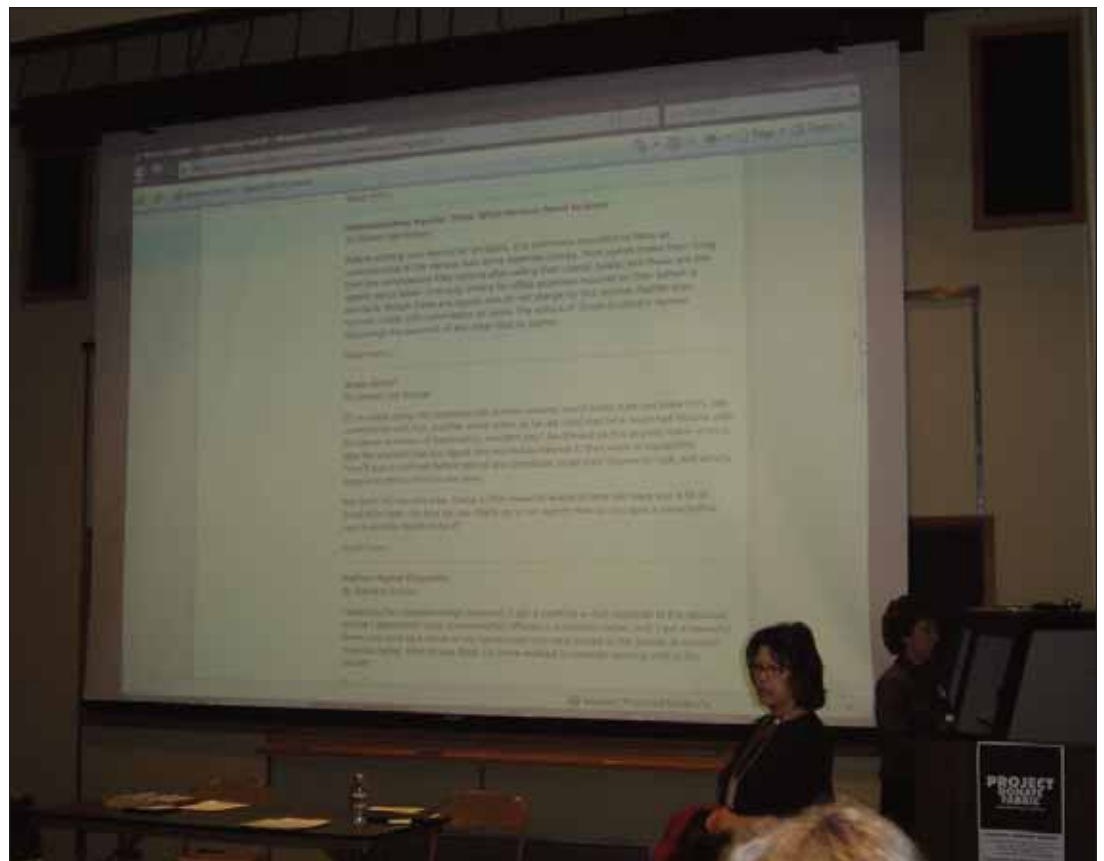
The 13th Celebration of the Book, *Poetry and Truth*, was held Saturday, November 8th on the Stephens College campus. Panel discussions and poetry readings were scheduled throughout the day with an open midday plenary session featuring Missouri Poet Laureate Walter Bargaen that drew a crowd of poetry enthusiasts.

Other poets featured at the event included Janet Banks, Stanley Banks, Alike Barnstone, Scott Cairns, Gabriel Fried, Pamela McClure, Wayne Miller and Emily Rosko.

A special panel on graphic-fiction and memoir featured graphic-novel authors, Cullen Bunn and Matt Kindt. Two Missouri Center for the Book board members participated in "Fact and Fiction," a discussion of the unique challenges found in writing works ranging from science fiction to biography. Mark Tiedemann, MCB board president and author of numerous works of science fiction, including *Peace And Memory (The Secantis Sequence, 3)*, discussed the challenge science fiction writers have in creating entire worlds, while board member Scott Phillips offered another perspective—that of writing a fictional story based upon an historical event—as he did in *Cottonwood: A Novel*. University of Missouri journalism professor Steve Weinberg discussed the painstaking research involved in journalistic writing and nonfiction works, using as an example his recently published dual biography, *Taking on the Trust: The Epic Battle of Ida Tarbell and John D. Rockefeller*.

Three newcomers to the MCB board, Virginia Brackett, Pat Berge, and Mary Kay Northrup, presented excellent tips for beginning writers in "Getting Published" and offered a discussion of the future of the book in the digital age.

The Missouri Center for the Book <http://books.missouri.org/>, an affiliate of the Center for the Book www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/ at the Library of Congress, would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the Missouri Arts Council www.missouriartscouncil.org/html/about.shtml for their financial support; Stephens College for the use of their wonderful facility; and all of the event participants, as well as board member Tom Dillingham and wife Judith Clark for their work in putting together this lovely event.



Virginia Brackett introduces writersmarket.com: The Where and How to Sell What you Write.



Presenter Kim Bolen with an enthusiastic and receptive workshop audience at the Carrollton Public Library.

Teen Services and Programming Workshops Score

By Marge Kudrna, Youth Services Consultant

Rave reviews were a common occurrence for Kim Bolan, who presented four October sessions of the teen services and programming workshop, *Teen Third Place: Teen Services for the 21st Century*:

- "I enjoyed this workshop very much. There was a lot of interesting and helpful information available and a good level of interaction. The speaker was wonderful."
- "She's awesome-lots of new stuff since 2006."
- "Great ideas for enhancing appearance/interest of my facility."

A total of 137 Missouri young adult staff from public and school libraries participated at Bolan's workshops, held in Carrollton, Springfield, Farmington and St. Charles. She shared information on effectively marketing teen library programs and the how-to's of planning, designing and implementing appropriate library spaces for teens as well as collaboration, technology, library collection, programming and customer service strategies to get teens in and keep them coming back to library for more. With this kind of content, no wonder the participants were so enthusiastic and evaluated this workshop so positively.

Libraries, Older Adults and Web 2.0, Oh My!

By Ann Roberts, Adult Services Coordinator



Allan Kleiman and workshop participants at Trails Regional Library in Warrensburg.

During the week of October 20–24, the Missouri State Library presented “Libraries, Older Adults, and Web 2.0” in four locations around the state. Driving presenter Allan Kleiman from Springfield, to Warrensburg, to Moberly and finally Jackson in only five days, Adult Services Consultant Ann Roberts may have experienced driver’s fatigue, but never a dull moment.

Kleiman, with 30 plus years of experience, is a noted authority, speaker and advocate for library services to older adults. He is an all around entertainer who pairs his professional expertise with a delightful sense of humor and a well-received presentation style to redefine what service to older adults really means in the 21st century.

A common theme during the week was “take whatever you’re currently doing with seniors and add technology.” Citing examples from his own library work and that of others, Kleiman introduced participants to such “Facebook-with-wrinkles” sites as Eons and Multiply and a search engine called Cranky. He also introduced library staff to using YouTube to find terrific examples of musical performances or poetry readings for programming, starting a library blog for seniors, adding Web 2.0 applications to regular computer training classes for seniors and using online gaming. Workshop participants also enjoyed a little interactive gaming themselves, playing Big Brain Academy plus Wii bowling and tennis late in the day.

Kleiman integrated humor and technology into an information-rich presentation and not only kept his audience laughing, but inspired them to go back to their own libraries to try something new with their senior library users. Here are just a few of the overwhelmingly positive comments from the evaluations:

- The workshop helped with new ideas for serving older adults that I hadn’t thought of before today. Great speaker! Thanks.
- The presenter was excellent. Great ideas, friendly, and I had a good time!!
- Allan was great. Very informative!
- Excellent presenter with credentials to support his presentation. Nice variety of information.
- I have a lot to learn and experiment with to enable me to decide and develop programs.

- Still lots to learn, but such good and great information. I can't wait to see results for all workshops.

By the end of each workshop, every participant had garnered new ideas and inspiration and "a good time was had by all." Kleiman and Roberts planned to follow-up with workshop participants in early 2009 to learn if new technology-related programs or services for seniors have been planned or implemented and to offer support and encouragement in applying for LSTA programming grants to support those projects.



Festival attendees and official Festival map-stampers Ann Roberts, MCB Coordinators with Missouri Center for the Book member Barri Bumgarner and Board President Mark Tiedemann.

Missouri Represented at the National Book Festival

By Ann Roberts, Adult Services Coordinator

On Saturday, September 27th, over 120,000 book lovers visited the National Mall for the eighth annual National Book Festival. To Missouri's festival representatives, it seemed like at least 20,000 of them visited the Missouri Center for the Book (MCB) booth holding festival maps to receive an official stamp from each state center. On Friday evening prior to the Festival's official opening, the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress hosted an evening reception at the National Botanical Gardens for attendees from the various state centers.

The first National Book Festival was organized in 2001 by the Library of Congress and First Lady Laura Bush to promote reading. Writers at this year's festival included Mrs. Bush and her daughter Jenna, presenting the children's book they co-wrote, as well as Salman Rushdie, Alexander McCall Smith, David Maraniss, Cokie Roberts, Tiki Barber, Arthur and Pauline Frommer, Steven Kellogg, Bob Schieffer, Paul Theroux, R.L. Stine, and Dionne Warwick. The authors' presentations are available as Webcasts on the Festival homepage at www.loc.gov/bookfest.

Missouri's 2008 Libri Foundation Awardees

Ten rural Missouri libraries were recipients of Libri Foundation awards this calendar year. Three application rounds are offered each year, mid-month in January, April and August. The Foundation encourages and supports the development of children's collections by matching sponsor-raised funds at a two to one ratio. Successful applicants can select fiction and non-fiction titles, the majority of which have been published in the past three years, appropriate to ages 12 and younger. Visit the Foundation's Web site at www.librifoundation.org for more information and to access the application form.

And the winners are: Albany Carnegie Public Library, Carrollton Public Library, Fairview Community Library, Gentry County Library, Lincoln R-2 School Libraries, Louisiana Public Library, Mary K. Finley Library (at Lamar), Mountain View Public Library, Oregon County Libraries (Thomasville Branch) and Qulin Outreach Library.

Annual Brick & Click Libraries Symposium Overview

By Connie Udry, Assistant Professor, B.D. Owen Library, Maryville

The eighth Brick & Click Libraries Symposium, consisting of six concurrent session-sets with a total of 30 presentations, was held at Northwest Missouri State University on November 7th. A record number of participants took part in this year's event; 174 librarians attended representing 84 institutions from 23 states and Jamaica.

The symposium was originally created to provide a professional development forum for academic librarians in the four-state region. Each subsequent year, the event has appealed to librarians representing a wider range of locations, from California to New York.

A total of 21 Missouri presenters offered 10 different, high interest sessions, such as:

- *Back to the Basics: Library Instruction Redux* (Diane Hunter, Brent Husher, Melissa Muth and Fu Zhuo, University of Missouri—Kansas City)
- *Building a Digital Reference Collection at Washington University Libraries* (Colin McCaffrey and Deborah Katz, Washington University; Lisa Pritchard, University of Missouri—Columbia student)
- *Downloading for Keeps: Extending the Archival Process to the Web* (Anselm Huelsbergen, University of Missouri—Columbia)
- *Catching the Eye of the Google and Facebook Generation with Library Publicity* (Lori Mardis and Joyce Meldrem, Loras College in Iowa)
- *What do Undergraduates Really Want in an Information Literacy Course? A Case Study of a Hybrid Online Course Using the FYILLAA Tool* (Crystal Gale, Missouri State University)

Links to ERIC documents of the proceedings are available at www.brickandclick.org/. Click "Program", followed by "Previous year's programs".

Reach out, Connect and Serve Immigrants in your Community

The Connecticut State Library offers sample library card application forms

<http://ct.webjunction.org/home/articles/content/456191> translated into 15 languages available online. Each translation is in Word and PDF format so libraries can copy and paste the fields they need. Now you can initiate or enhance library service to this underrepresented or unserved audience of potential users.

The State Library at MLA's 2008 Annual Conference

The Missouri State Library's exhibit booth at the Missouri Library Associations' October 1-3 Conference promoted a range of services and resources that can assist libraries to "Soar" to even more excellent service.



State Librarian Margaret Conroy, Technology and Digitization Services Consultant Carl Wingo and Erin Grant, Library Development Support Staff Manager, actively promote the range of services available from the State Library.



Adult Services Librarian Ann Roberts and Richard Smith, Director of Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, offer information about their respective program services.

Check It Out . . . NEW Library Science Books at MOSL

By Abbey Rimmel, Reference Librarian/Collection Development

There's sure to be at least one or two of must-have's from the following listing of new materials recently added to the Missouri State Library's circulating collection. All titles shown are available for checkout from the Missouri State Library (links provided) or through the MOBIUS system.

[The Academic library manager's forms, policies, and procedures handbook with CD-Rom](#) / Rebecca Brumley. New York : Neal-Schuman Publishers, c2007. Call # [027.7 B893](#)

[The Accidental technology trainer: a guide for libraries](#) / Stephanie Gerding. Medford, N.J. : Information Today, c2007. Call # [025.5 G366](#)

[Analyzing library collection use with Excel](#) / Tony Greiner and Bob Cooper. Chicago : American Library Association, 2007. Call # [025.2 G824](#)

[Building digital libraries: a how-to-do-it manual](#) / Terry Reese, Jr., Kyle Banerjee. New York : Neal-Schuman Publishers, c2008. Call # [025.002 R329](#)

[Buying and contracting for resources and services: a how-to-do-it manual](#) / Rick Anderson. New York : Neal-Schuman Publishers, c2004. Call # [025.2 A549](#)

[Crash course in library gift programs: the reluctant curator's guide to caring for archives, books and artifacts in a library setting](#) / Ann Roberts. Westport, Conn. : Libraries Unlimited, 2007. Call # [027 R643](#)

[Essential Dewey](#) / J.H. Bowman. New York : Neal-Schuman Publishers, 2005. Call # [025.431 B787](#)

[The Evaluation and measurement of library services](#) / Joseph R. Matthews. Westport, Conn. : Libraries Unlimited, 2007. Call # [025.1 M439e](#)

[The Guy-friendly YA library: serving male teens](#) / Rollie James Welch. Westport, Conn.: Libraries Unlimited, 2007. Call # [027.626 W441](#)

[Helping homeschoolers in the library](#) / Adrienne Furness. Chicago : American Library Association, 2008. Call # [027.6 F988](#)

[Intellectual property: everything the digital-age librarian needs to know](#) / Timothy Lee Wherry. Chicago : American Library Association, 2008. Call # [346.048 W587i](#)

[Leadership basics for librarians and information professionals](#) / G. Edward Evans, Patricia Layzell Ward. Lanham, Md. : Scarecrow Press, 2007. Call # [303.34 E92](#)

[Less is more: a practical guide to weeding school library collections](#) / Donna J. Baumbach and Linda L. Miller. Chicago : American Library Association, 2006. Call # [025.216 B337](#)

[Libraries and librarianship: sixty years of challenge and change, 1945-2005](#) / George S. Bobinski. Lanham, Md. : Scarecrow Press, 2007. Call # [027.073 B663i](#)

[Library 2.0: a guide to participatory library service](#) / Michael E. Casey, Laura C. Savastinuk. Medford, N.J. : Information Today, c2007. Call # [025.1 C338](#)

[Managing your library construction project: a step-by-step guide](#) / Richard C. McCarthy. Chicago: American Library Association, 2007. Call # [727.8 M123](#)

[Metadata and its applications in the digital library: approaches and practices](#) / Jia Liu. Westport, Conn. : Libraries Unlimited, 2007. Call # [025.3 L783](#)

Congratulations to Missouri's 2009 Emerging Leaders

Congratulations to Laura Kasak and Katherine Voss, who were identified as 2009 Emerging Leaders by the American Library Association (ALA). Kasak is manager of the Florissant Branch, St. Louis County Library, and Voss is the Department Chair and Teacher Librarian at Mary Institute and St. Louis Country Day School. This ALA program provides up-and-coming librarians the opportunity to serve the profession and develop leadership skills.

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Genevieve Dazet joined the Reference Services division in November as a reference librarian with cataloging responsibilities. She previously held a cataloging position at Stephens College Library in Columbia and worked as a graduate assistant in Ellis Library's Special Collections Department while she earned her master's in library science from the University of Missouri in 2007. She received her BA from Grinnell College in technical theatre and did graduate work at New York University in the publishing field.

Staff Changes

Donna Bacon was hired by the MOBIUS Consortium in mid-December as their assistant director of information technology: she began her new position in February 2009. Bacon leaves her position at Springfield-Greene County Library as the district's reference coordinator, she also functioned as a system administrator for the district and a 14-library consortium.

Regina Cooper, a former associate director of public services with the Huntsville-Madison County Library in Alabama, is the new executive director of the **Springfield-Greene County Library**, succeeding long-term director Annie Busch, who has retired. See page 7 for more information.

Stuart Hinds is the new head of special collections in the **University of Missouri-Kansas City Libraries**. Special Collections includes the Dr. Kenneth J. LaBudde Department of Special Collections, an archive and research center serving scholars and organizations from around the world, and the internationally known Marr Sound Archives. Hinds previously served as manager of the Corinth Branch of the Johnson County Library in Prairie Village, Kansas. He earned his M.A. in Library and Information Science from the University of Iowa and B.A. in History from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Tom Sadler, library director of the **New Madrid County Memorial Library**, retired December 31, 2008 after 10 years of service to the county system.

Stephanie Patterson is the new director at **Maryville Public Library**. **Diane Houston** officially retired at the end of December.

Announcements

Bethany Public Library moved into a new, remodeled facility on January 19, 2009 at 101 North 15th Street.

Miller Nichols Library, University of Missouri-Kansas City, received a \$1 million award in December from the Sunderland Foundation. These funds have been designated for the second phase of the library's expansion which will continue from spring 2010 to early 2011.

St. Charles City-County Library reopened the Kathryn Linnemann branch library, located at 2323 Elm Street in St. Charles city. During the branch's 11-month renovation, the library provided a collection of new books for patron check out in the nearby Blackhurst School building. The original 1982 branch facility received an exterior refurbishing, a 9,100 square foot expansion plus a complete interior renovation. The total cost was approximately \$2 million.

Anniversaries

Mound City Public Library celebrated its 100th anniversary, which occurred in 2008, at the Grand Opening of its newly renovated space on January 2nd, 2009. The festivities included music and food plus an art exhibit of Billy O'Donnell's "Painting Missouri" landscapes. O'Donnell has completed a landscape for every county in Missouri.

St. Louis County Library's Grand Glaize branch celebrated its 30th anniversary December 11th with a return of games and crafts from the 1970s: decorating pet rocks was the most popular of the provided activities.