STATE LIBRARY REPORT

Reference Services

Genevieve Dazet, Reference Librarian/Cataloger, resigned in January. Interviews for her replacement are underway.

The MODOT Organizational Results Division supporting the Transportation Library has been reorganized according to the Transportation Commission's plan for a smaller workforce. The Transportation Library that is housed and supported by the State Library now receives administrative support through the Construction and Materials Division.

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library

Volunteer Reception
On Thursday, January 26th, Wolfner Library hosted an afternoon reception for its volunteers. Staff and volunteers enjoyed meeting one another, sharing a wonderful appetizer buffet catered by Argyll Catering, and taking tours of the library. Fifty-seven people attended the reception sponsored by Friends of Wolfner Library.

2012 Adult Winter Reading Program
Wolfner Library's 2012 Adult Winter Reading Program was titled "Stories from Our Past": U.S. Historical Fiction. One hundred books, selected from the NLS BARD website, were divided into ten categories, with ten books per category. The ten titles within each category were downloaded onto a single digital cartridge for checkout by program participants.

Friends of Wolfner Library Annual Meeting
April 21, 2012 is the meeting date for the annual meeting of the Friends of Wolfner Library. The meeting will be held at the James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center in Jefferson City. The program this year will focus on the Holocaust.

Wolfner Library Strategic Plan
Wolfner Library sent out a Request for Quotation for a Consultant/Facilitator to meet with the staff and other stakeholders to assist in developing a comprehensive strategic plan. The deadline for responding to this Request for Quotation is April 12, 2012.

Library Development

Sharla Lair, Continuing Education Consultant resigned, and Ann Roberts has been given her position. Ann's position is being reviewed for potential changes prior to being posted.

Scholarships
Missouri State Library Scholarships cover tuition and fees for students pursuing a master's degree in library science and/or school library media specialist certification at universities in Missouri. Since December, 1 student has completed her work commitment and has exited the

program. Currently, 3 students are fulfilling work commitments and 3 students are looking for positions to meet their work commitments. Four students are enrolled in classes and are expected to graduate May 2012.

State Aid
 In February, fifty-nine (59) libraries were certified to receive funds under the State Aid Equalization Program. A total of $876,180.500 was distributed to the qualifying libraries. This program specifically targets public libraries where adequate local support is limited by economic factors. Missouri statutes governing state aid provide the opportunity for equalization payments to county, city/county, urban public or consolidated libraries.

Administrative rules changes were published in the March 15 edition of the Missouri Register, which changes the due date requirement for filing the certification for state aid form from June 30 to July 31 of each year. New trustees terms usually begin on July 1, so this change eliminates duplicate reporting for library districts.

State Library Funds MOBIUS Support for the Missouri Evergreen Consortium
The State Library has signed a contract with MOBIUS to begin implementation of the new Missouri Evergreen consortium, a group of Missouri public libraries that recently formed after a year of planning and research. MOBIUS will host the server for the consortium's integrated library system (ILS) using the open-source Evergreen software developed by the state of Georgia. In addition to ongoing server and technical support, MOBIUS will also assist each library with data extraction and migration from their existing ILS to the Evergreen platform. The State Library will fund these migration costs and MOBIUS staffing for the Missouri Evergreen consortium for the next five years.

Patrons of Missouri Evergreen's member libraries will be able to place holds on any item held by other participating libraries and get the item via the Show Me The World Get Connected courier. The Evergreen software will allow patrons to view all copies of a particular book at all locations within the consortium, as well as a "scoped view" of just their own local library's holdings.

The twelve libraries that formed the new consortium are: Albany Carnegie Public Library, Carrollton Public Library, Carthage Public Library, Doniphan-Ripley County Library, Grundy County Library, Howard County Library, Lebanon-Laclede County Library, Little Dixie Regional Libraries, Marshall Public Library, Neosho-Newton County Library, Poplar Bluff Public Library, Stone County Library and Webster County Library.

E-rate
For 2011 (July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012) USAC committed $1,302,919.48 to 59 Missouri public libraries. Of that amount libraries have received $313,361.39 as of March 15, 2012. Libraries can continue to request funds until October 28, 2012.

The window for filing Form 471 closes on March 20, 2012 for the 2012 filing. As of March 15, 40 libraries in Missouri have requested $1,153,075.08. There are 18 additional libraries that have not yet completed the Form 471. Reminders of the deadline have been sent to these libraries.

Online Resource Services for FY12

New bookmarks have been printed for Learning Express Library, Job & Career Accelerator, Online Resources, and Homework Help. The WebJunction site has an order form where bookmarks can be ordered in 100 bundles.

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant
The Opportunity Online Hardware Grant ended on December 31, 2011. The Gates Foundation is allowing the Missouri State Library to use remaining money from the Administration budget to fund two additional programs and continue the very successful Tech Buddies programs conducted by three large libraries.

The two new programs that are being funded by the Gates Foundation are "E-reader Train the Trainer" and "Trustee Training". The State Library will continue both programs past the end of the Gates Foundation extension funding that ends May 30, 2012.

2012 Summer Reading Program
Missouri participated in the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Teen Video Challenge in which teen patrons submitted PSA's they had created for the theme *Own the Night*. There were four entries: Kansas City Public Library—Westport, Kansas City Public Library— Plaza, Kirkwood Public Library, and Trails Regional Library.

Summer Reading Program Workshops
Thom Barthelmess, the curator of the Butler Children's Literature Center, presented the *Dream Big—Read* Children's Summer Reading Program workshops from March 5-9, 2012 for 165 attendees. The workshops took place in St Louis, Sikeston, Jefferson City, Springfield, and Independence.

Erin Downey Howerton, a past chair of the Printz committee, presented five Teen Summer Reading workshops from March 26-30, 2012 for 141 registrants. The workshops took place in Independence, Springfield, Poplar Bluff, St Charles, and Columbia.

Adult Services Direct Series
In January MOSL hosted an adult summer reading workshop with Kaite Stover, Head of Readers Services at Kansas City Public Library. The presentation included programming ideas and ways in which to promote and grow an adult summer reading program through marketing, book discussions, and tie-ins to library and on-line resources.

The March session was presented by Pam Jenkins, Manager, H & R Block Business and Career Center, Kansas City Public Library, and Kelly Miller, Branch Manager, Park Central Branch / Business Librarian at Springfield-Greene County Library District. Basic business reference services in the library included resources for starting a business, doing market research, and creating a business plan, essentials for the business entrepreneur, as well as ideas for outreach to the business community.

Missouri Center for the Book
The board of the Missouri Center for the Book met on March 10 at the Linda Hall Library in Kansas City. New board members and officers were elected:

Wicky Sleight, President
John Hoover, Vice- President
 Susan Satterfield, Treasurer
 Mary Northrup, Secretary
New members elected: Steven Campbell, Carolyn Mulford, and Naomi Williamson.

Hate List, a YA book by board member Jennifer Johnson of Kansas City, was chosen as the Missouri book for the National Book Festival "52 Great Reads" map distributed at the festival each fall.

Early Literacy Workshops
Early literacy workshops will be scheduled for the week of September 10-14, 2012.

Library Skills Winter Institute 2012
The 2012 Winter Institute was held February 28 through March 1 in Columbia with 71 Missouri library staff in attendance. In addition to the Basic Library Skills course, two advanced courses were offered: Readers' Advisory Services and Cataloging & Classification. The topics of cataloging and classification have previously been offered as two separate courses, but were combined into one and presented by Melissa Powell. Readers' Advisory Services, presented by Kaite Stover, was a pilot presentation with consideration of holding a permanent place in the Institute curriculum.

WebJunction Missouri
WebJunction has been undergoing a facelift this past year, taking place in two phases. Phase 1, which included the introduction of free unlimited courses, webinar pre-registration, and certificates of completion for affiliated members, began on July 1 and is now complete. As of January, Missouri has 1060 affiliations and 1,580 course enrollments. Out of 17 partner states, Missouri ranks 4th in course enrollments.

WebJunction has since completed Phase 2 of the evolution of services. The new site went live in March 2012.

LSTA FY2011
Thirty-one Summer Library Program grant applications were received, requesting $256,934. Twenty-three grants were awarded for a total of $188,111.

Twenty-two Technology Mini-Grant grant applications arrived in the Winter 2012 grant call, requesting $173,484. Twenty-one grants were awarded for a total of $153,261.

As of March 20, 2012, nine Digital Imaging, six Spotlight on Literacy, eight Technology Ladder and two Website Makeover grant applications have been received, requesting approximately $542,000. These applications are currently undergoing review.

Due to projected under spending in projects, it was determined we could offer a Targeted Collection Development grant opportunity in support of statewide reading programs. The application deadline is March 30, 2012.