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President's Message

Greetings!

This has been another very busy Spring for our Association and its members. The CYAS Spring Meeting at Natural Bridge State Park was held in late March. The Academic and Special Library Sections, along with the SLA-KY Chapter, held their joint meeting at Cumberland Falls State Park during three beautiful days in April. The Public Libraries Section and Library Trustee Association joint meeting was held in Louisville at the Seelbach in early May.

Congratulations and thank you to each of the Planning Committees and their Chairs for organizing extremely successful meetings – **Sarah Howrey**, Children and Young Adult Services Section, **Margo Smith**, Academic Libraries, **Amy Osborne**, Special Libraries, **James Manasco**, SLA-KY Chapter, **Debbie Oberhausen**, Public Libraries Section, and **Jim Wyrick**, Library Trustee Association. These outstanding conferences reflected their tireless efforts in finding dynamic speakers, interesting programs, accommodating hotels and state parks, as well as exciting evening and “extra-curricular” events.

Your Association has also been very busy promoting library legislation to Kentucky’s congressional delegation. Eight of us, as well as **Jim Nelson**, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, flew to Washington the second weekend in May where we spent a day with ALA’s Washington Office folks who prepared us for the next day’s discussions with our Representatives and Senators. We sincerely hope our efforts will lead to the passage of legislation favorable to our libraries. **Carrie Taylor**, from Jim Nelson’s office, and **Marcia Freyman**, KLA’s Library Awareness Committee Chair, coordinated our schedules and “Kentucky” events while in Washington. You can read more about National Legislative Day in this issue of *Infocus*. We’ll continue to keep you posted on pending legislation.

Our Association’s work goes on. KLA’s Board of Directors will continue assisting **Carol Nutter** plan next Fall’s conference throughout the summer. Please volunteer! Call or e-mail your officers, Committee Chairs, and Roundtable Chairs. Our phone numbers and e-mail addresses are on the inside cover of each *Kentucky Libraries* issue, and they are also listed on our web site: www.kylibasn.org.

Have a great summer!

Sue Burch, President
Kentucky Library Association

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KLA Member News and Library Updates



EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. **Judy Ball** retired in December, 2002. Judy worked for 20 years as a reference, instruction, and documents librarian.

Jackie Edmondson-Couture began a new position as the University Records Officer & Digital Archives Specialist in February. She coordinates the University’s Records Management Program, which includes the management of electronic records. Previous to this, Jackie had over ten years of archival experience and a strong background in digital technologies.

Mary Anne Dewey has accepted a new position as Coordinator of Administrative Services. **Peggy Flaherty** will serve as Collection Development Program Officer.

The Library received Honorable Mention in LAMA’s annual public relations “Best of Show” Competition. The honorable mention was awarded in the category of Services Available / Orientation Materials / Policy Materials for Libraries with a budget of \$2,000,000-\$5,999,999. This is the second year in a row EKV Libraries has received honorable mention recognition for outstanding public relations materials in this category. **Cheryle Cole-Bennett**, **Mary Anne Dewey**, **Betina Gardner**, **Kari Lyons**, **Linda Sizemore**, and **Lee Van Orsdel** are the creative team responsible for the award.

Eastern Kentucky University’s College of Education has recently recruited faculty across the university to partner with K-12 schools. The partners, or Professional Education Fellows (PEF), work with educators in a variety of ways, fostering relationships and offering professional support. **Betina Gardner**, **Julie George**, **Carrie Cooper**, and **Kari Lyons** are participating in this program by working with four school library media specialists. The goals for each partnership are different, but a common element is to work with the librarians on ways to infuse information literacy into their curriculum. **Peggy Flaherty**.

GEORGETOWN COLLEGE. Katy Roe will be leaving Georgetown College where she has worked as a cataloger for the past three years to take a position as Social Science Cataloger at Western Kentucky University. She started at WKU in May. Katy has lived in Okinawa and Hawaii, where she went to library school, before returning to Kentucky.

KENTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY. If you have an interest in learning more about the veterans in your family, the Kenton County Public Library has added a valuable new online resource to its Local History collection. More than 2,500 actual World War I records have been digitized and are accessible from the library’s website at www.kenton.lib.ky.us. Local History Librarian, **Dave Schroeder**, says “In addition to the home address of the soldier, the record also lists date and place of birth, father’s name and mother’s maiden

name, location of soldier's induction, branch of service and name of company in which the soldier served, and place and date of discharge." The records were donated by **Mr. Shelley D. Rouse**, Kenton County war historian, under the direction of the Kentucky Council of Defense. Later this year Mr. Schroeder stated that 25,000 records from Linden Grove Cemetery will be accessible online for genealogists and local history buffs to explore. For more information on the Kenton County Public Library's Local History Department please call (859) 962-4060. The Kenton County Public Library is Northern Kentucky's largest resource for local history and genealogy with more than 20,000 books and 6,000 reels of microfilm. The Local History Department is housed in the Library's Mary Ann Mongan Library, located at 502 Scott Boulevard in Covington, Kentucky.

Robin C. Klaene.

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES.

James A. Nelson, State Librarian and Commissioner of KDLA, was elected by his peers to serve as Secretary to the new SOLINET Board of Directors at the organization's Annual Membership meeting in May in Atlanta. Mr. Nelson is a member of the Distance Education Advisory Committee of the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Kentucky Virtual Library Advisory Committee. He formerly chaired the Kentucky Information Resources Management Commission, and he has published several papers on resource sharing. He has a BA in English from the University of Colorado; he received his MSLS at the University of Kentucky. **Sara Swain.**

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY. **Janet Brewer**, Interim Dean of the University Libraries, has accepted the position of Director of Libraries and Associate Professor of Library Science at Anderson University in Anderson, Indiana and will be assuming her new responsibilities on July 1. Library staff members **Jean Richerson**, **Emma Ramsey**, and **Dorothy Bailey** are retiring this summer. **John Griffin** will serve as Interim Dean of the University Libraries effective July 1. **Jen Schatz**, former Reference & Instruction Librarian, has been appointed Interim Head of Reference / Coordinator of Public Services. On April 30, **Debbra Tate** and **Ernie Bailey** participated in "Developing Digital Projects," presented by OCLC's Tom Claeson, a two-way interactive videoconference at Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library from INCOLSA Indianapolis. **Jetta Culpepper**, **Debbra Tate**, and **Jen Schatz** attended the second annual Paducah / McCracken County Information Network (McNet) conference on May 15. **Jen Schatz.**

SULLIVAN UNIVERSITY. **Lisa Eichholtz** joined the library faculty of Sullivan University in Louisville in April. A native of upstate NY, Lisa earned her MLS at Syracuse University in 1992. From 1992-1999 she was on the faculty of the Medical University of S.C. Library and briefly in 1999 at the University of Florida Health Science Center Library. Lisa relocated to Louisville in the summer of 1999 and has been a part-time librarian at Sullivan since 2002. **Charles L. Brown.**

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL CENTER LIBRARY.

The Medical Library Association has appointed **Janet Stith**, Director of UK's Medical Center Library to serve as a mentor for participants in the 2003-2004 ARL / MLA Leadership and Career Development Program. The LCD Program is designed to increase the number of librarians from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups in positions of influence and leadership in research libraries by helping them develop the skills needed to be more competitive in the promotion process. **Lisa Fried.**

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE LIBRARIES. The Kersey Library is sporting a new web site as of January 2003. The site was totally redesigned by **Catherine Lavallée-Welch**, Electronic Resources Librarian and Web Manager, and **Devin Wilson**, Computer Lab Supervisor. Check out the site at <http://library.louisville.edu/kersey>

Librarians **Jan Kulkarni** and **Catherine Lavallée-Welch** are participating in the University of Louisville Libraries "Virtual Reference Service." They each "work" the Virtual Reference for one hour each week. Kersey Library mounted two exhibits in March. "Data Mining - Data Warehousing" was created by **Jan Kulkarni** as part of Engineer's Week, March 23-29. "UofL Women Faculty in Engineering and Physical Science" was created by **Carol Brinkman** for Women's History month to recognize the accomplishments of women faculty members in departments served by Kersey Library. The Chemistry Information Resources course created and taught by **Jan Kulkarni** is now a required 300 level, 1 credit hour course for students in Chemistry. **Catherine Lavallée-Welch** is serving as web manager for the Special Library Association Kentucky Chapter. Library Director, **Carol Brinkman**, is serving as Chair of the Library Administration & Management Roundtable for the Kentucky Library Association, and as member of the Southeastern Library Association's Planning & Development Committee. **Carol Brinkman, Kersey Library.**

James Manasco has been appointed to the position of Reference Librarian / Coordinator Liaison Activities in the Kornhauser Health Sciences Library. James is currently Engineering Librarian at the UK Shaver Engineering Library. **Caroline "Carrie" Daniels** has joined the U of Libraries faculty as Archivist for Automated Systems. Carrie previously worked as Digital Library Content Administrator at Tufts University Libraries Digital Collections and Archives. **Dean Hannelore B. Rader** participated in a training workshop on "Strategic Marketing for Academic and Research Libraries" sponsored by the 3M Library System. Dean Rader will conduct a training workshop for the U of L Libraries Marketing and Staff Development team in May and also plans to conduct similar workshops in Kentucky. **George T. McWhorter**, Curator Edgar Rice Burroughs Collection will host Dum-Dum 2003 at the Louisville Galt House August 28-31. The conference is the annual gathering of fans of the "Master of Fantasy Adventure: Edgar Rice Burroughs." For registration and program information go to <http://www.angelfire.com/trek/erbzine17/erbz841.html>. The University Libraries sponsored the *Fifth Annual Afternoon of Tea and Poetry* on April 24 to celebrate National Poetry Month. The Library Associates annual luncheon was held on April 8 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. The Associates presented the Madeline and Dario Covi Award for Academic Excellence to student **Lisa Dekker**. The annual dinner meeting of the Friends of the Kornhauser Library was held on April 15 in the University Club. U of L has selected architectural firms Voelker / Winn Architects Inc. of Louisville and Hillier of Princeton, NJ to design and develop the 14 million dollar federally funded expansion and renovation of the Ekstrom Library. **Diane Nichols, Ekstrom Library.**

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. **Rosemary Meszaros**, Coordinator, Government Documents and Law won the WKU College Award for Public Service. **Katy Roe** has joined the staff as the New Social Sciences Catalog Librarian. **Donna Parker**, Exhibit Curator, Kentucky Museum, published "Building for the Future: Rosenwald Schools in Warren County," in *Landmark Report* 21 (April 2003): 6-8. **Sue Lynn Stone**, University Archivist & Records Officer published "The 1960s: Demonstrating for Change," in *Alumni Magazine* (Spring 2003). **Lynn Niedermeier**, Archival Assistant published "We are not Aliens: Women's Hours at Western," in *Echo* (Spring 2003). On exhibit at the Kentucky Library and Museum through October, is "Young at Heart: Children's Book Illustrations." The exhibit features the original artwork from a selection of late 20th century children's books, supplemented by a display of illustrations from 19th century children's books. Also on exhibit is "Women in Poverty," featuring photographs taken by WPA photographers Marion Post Wolcott, Doris Ullman and Dorothea Lang. **Nancy Baird** presented a paper "The Philistines are Upon Us: The Civil War

Diary of Josie Underwood" at the KY-TN American Studies Conference and was a recent speaker for the Bowling Green Rotary Club. The Library debuted the web version of "Collections & Connections," edited by ERC Coordinator, **Roxanne Spencer** and **Katherine Pennavaria** and hosted the 2003 Southern Kentucky Festival of Books, which was a rousing success. **Jack Montgomery**.

Fall Conference Update

by **Carol Nutter**



You will want to be in Louisville on October 8-11 this year to take part in the annual KLA / KSMA Fall Conference. The Conference Planning Committee has been busy putting together another great professional development event for Kentucky Librarians. The conference theme, *Libraries: In Defense of Freedom*, will be addressed by General Session speakers **James G. (Jim) Neal** from Columbia University and **Emily Sheketoff** from the ALA Washington Office. Other speakers include **George H. Pike**, **Hannelore Rader**, **Ling Jeng**, authors **Scott Brandt** (*Teaching Technology*) and **Mary Ann McCable Riehle** (*B is for Bluegrass*) and a distinguished panel of speakers who will address issues of diversity and recruitment in Kentucky. KSMA will feature **Carol Otis Hurst** and several Kentucky children's authors and will also repeat their popular Exploratorium and Author Gallery events.

Mini-sessions promise to be interesting and varied with some repeats of popular programs from PLS and ALS spring meetings as well as many new presentations. Poster sessions will showcase innovative and creative projects and initiatives. In addition, at least three pre-conferences on diverse topics will be offered on Wednesday.

If food is a drawing card for you, this year's conference will be full of opportunities for nourishment and networking. On Thursday, all the KLA Round Tables will sponsor a joint breakfast. On Friday, new members and participants in the mentoring program will be honored with a morning meal prior to the KLA business meeting. Several KLA Sections are also planning luncheons or other special events in addition to the traditional KLA Awards Luncheon. KSMA will coordinate a Dining-around-the-Town event on Friday evening. Plans for the Thursday evening event are not finalized yet, but this is always a great time to enjoy food and fun with colleagues in an interesting and relaxed setting.

Economic downturns and budget cuts have hindered many Kentucky librarians from attending out-of-state conferences this year. The KLA / KSMA Fall Conference is an affordable and worthwhile alternative where librarians can avail themselves of a wide variety of professional development opportunities and hear nationally known speakers without leaving the state. So start planning now to join your fellow librarians at the Galt House for another fun and informative fall conference.

KLA Section, Round Table, & Member Activities

KLA LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION & MANAGEMENT ROUND TABLE. Are you a member of this Round Table? Are you interested in having the Round Table continue? Then your assistance is needed! Established in 1989, the Library Administration & Management Round table has always sponsored one or more programs at the annual KLA conferences. But this will not continue unless someone

is willing to assume leadership. I have served as Chair for two years and the primary responsibility is planning the conference program. The Chair serves on the KLA Board, but attendance at Board meetings is not required. Chairing a KLA Round Table is a great way to get started in leadership. If you are interested in serving as chair for 2004 please contact me by phone at 502-852-1008 or by e-mail at csbrin01@louisville.edu. **Carol Brinkman**.

The INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ROUND TABLE and the LEARNING INSTRUCTION ROUND TABLE will host **D. Scott Brandt**, also known as "Techman," at the Fall 2003 KLA conference. From Purdue University, he is author of *Teaching Technology: A How-To-Do-It Manual for Librarians*. He will share his expertise on how to design and develop successful library technology training programs. **Jennifer Little**.

The KLA/ALS AWARDS COMMITTEE invites nominations for the Outstanding Academic Librarian Award. Guidelines and the nomination form were mailed to the membership in mid-April and can also be found on the KLA web site at: <http://www.kylibasn.org/academic/welcome.html> Nominations are due August 15, 2003. **Tyler Goldberg**.

SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. On Friday, May 16, 2003 the SELA Board and Committees met for an all day Leadership Meeting at the Sheraton Colony Square in Atlanta, Georgia. Ann Hamilton, the current President, welcomed the group of about 60 attendees. Kentucky presented for endorsement and support, the **Thomas Fountain Blue Resolution** which was read before the Board requesting their support and was unanimously endorsed. The Resolution, composed by **Reinette Jones**, is now scheduled to go before the American Library Association Board and Membership to become a proclaimed resolution from ALA. SELA, which meets biennially, will be hosted by North Carolina in 2004 in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the North Carolina Library Association. **Christie Robinson**.

The LIBRARY AWARENESS COMMITTEE OF KLA seeks nominations for the William H. Natcher Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award. Descriptions of these awards along with nomination forms have been included in this issue of *Infocus* and are available on the KLA web site (kylibasn.org). Please consider nominating a deserving individual, corporation or organization. Nominations are due July 18, 2003. **Marcia Freyman**.

PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AND LIBRARY TRUSTEE ASSOCIATION AWARDS LUNCHEON. Pictured in photo on left below is **Jim Nelson** standing with Library Trustees Award winner, **Mr. James Guegler**. Pictured in right hand photo is **Jarrett Boyd** presenting the Kentucky Public Librarians' Choice Award to Kentucky author **Karen Robards**. The awards were presented at the recent Spring Conference at the Seelbach Hilton Hotel in Louisville. **Susan Eubanks**.



LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAYS, WASHINGTON, D.C. (MAY 11-13, 2003). Eight librarians and a library trustee from Kentucky recently attended Legislative Days in Washington, D.C. They were: **John Osgathorpe** from Tompkinsville, **Sue Burch** and **Amy Osborne** from UK College of Law Library, **Carol Nutter** from Morehead State, **Stacey Nickell** from Paducah Community College, **Alisa Carmichael** and **Lisa R. Rice**, both from Bowling Green Public, **Jim Nelson**, State Librarian, and **Marcia Freyman** from Lexington Community College. During their three day stay, they attended briefings and met with aides from Representatives' and Senators' offices urging them to co-sponsor or support pending legislation on issues such as digital copyright, funding of LSTA, ESEA and GPO, keeping the E-Rate under FCC regulations, and the Restoration of Freedom of Information Act of 2003. Next year's Legislative Days are scheduled for May 3 and 4, 2004. ALA Washington Office has a web link to all issues at: www.ala.org/washoff. **Marcia Freyman.**



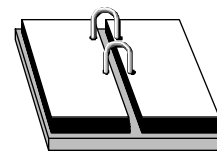
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KLA Calendar of Events



KLA Board Meeting and
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June 14, 2003
Lexington, KY

ALA Annual Conference

June 19-25, 2003
Toronto, ON, Canada

KLA Board Meeting and
Conference Planning

August 16, 2003
Galt House, Louisville, KY

KLA / KSMA Joint Annual
Conference

October 8-11, 2003
Galt House, Louisville, KY

2003 Kentucky Book Fair
Frankfort Civic Center

November 8, 2003
Frankfort, KY

ALA Midwinter Meeting

January 9-14, 2004
San Diego, CA



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