

# IACRL NEWSLETTER

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#### SPRING 2013

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

ACRL 2013 Conference Indianapolis, IN April 10-13, 2013

ALA Annual Conference Chicago Jun. 27-Jul. 2, 2013

#### ILA Annual

**Conference** Navy Pier, Chicago Oct. 15-17, 2013

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## Academic Librarians Reflect on ILEAD U

#### Sarah Sagmoen University of Illinois at Springfield

Keeping up to date with technology can be a challenge when your days are filled with instruction sessions, reference desk shifts, student consultations, and the other typical tasks completed by academic librarians every day. However, not keeping up with technology can create a disconnect between librarians and the millennial generation that academic libraries currently serve. Balancing learning new technologies with the impending doom of deadlines and lines of patrons can be tricky but, most would agree, a necessity.

There are many ways to stay up to date and we all have our own tricks, but sometimes you really need to challenge yourself. To do just that, librarians of all



Team UrInfo (left to right): Amber Creger (program mentor), Tammy Sayles, Amy Brokaw, Melissa DeVerger, Leslie Starasta, and Sharon Sample.

types from around the state looked to the Illinois State Library's ILEAD U (Illinois Libraries Explore, Apply and Discover) program. This program, made See ILEAD U, page 3

### **Illinois Candidates for ACRL Offices**

#### Jill Sodt Black Hawk College

The following Illinois academic librarians are among the candidates running for ACRL offices:

### Community and Junior College Libraries Section

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Pamela Jo Thomas**, Technical Services Librarian/LTA Program Coordinator, Illinois Central College College Libraries Section

Member-at-Large: **Lynda Duke**, Academic Outreach Librarian, Associate Professor, Illinois Wesleyan University

#### Education and Behavioral Sciences Section

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Bruce R. Stoffel**, Coordinator of Academic Programs and Policy, Illinois State University

### Rare Books and Manuscripts Section

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Hjordis Halvorson**, Vice President for Library Services, Newberry Library

University Libraries Section

Secretary: **Fred D. Barnhart**, Associate Dean for Library Services and Collections, Loyola University Chicago See Candidates, page 6

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## A Message from the IACRL President

#### Tammy Kuhn-Schnell Lincoln Land Community College

As we hit the mid-point of our spring semester, I enjoy the buzz of students as they make use of the library and the bustle of activity as we are in full swing teaching and assisting them. We are so often, and appropriately, focused on students that we move quickly through a semester without realizing how much we accomplish. With the ACRL Conference around the corner in April, we have the opportunity to get together in Indianapolis with colleagues from across the country and talk about these accomplishments. We can "Imagine, Innovate, Inspire." We can learn from each other, discuss what works, and figure out what



doesn't. IACRL is planning a social hour during the conference, on Thursday, April 11 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. All Illinois librarians are invited, so bring your friends, whether they are IACRL members or not. (See the box on p. 6 for details.)

The leadership of IACRL is discussing ways to bring members together beyond national and state conferences. We are considering webinars focused around an ACRL hot-topic and other virtual opportunities to "gather" and share experiences. As you have ideas for topics and opportunities, feel free to share them with any of the IACRL officers or committee chairs.

Also, as you meet with your colleagues and listen to one another's accomplishments and experiences, consider nominating them for Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year. Susan Swords Steffen, Past President of IACRL, is the chair of the Nominations and Awards committees. Let her know who you think deserves recognition by contacting her at susanss@elmhurst.edu.

Have a great semester, and see you all in Indy.

## 2013 IACRL Election Announcement

The slate of candidates for IACRL offices for the 2013-2014 term is as follows:

#### **President-Elect**

Andrew Lenaghan Assistant Professor & Librarian Joliet Junior College

#### Secretary/Treasurer

Gwen Gregory

Resource Acquisition and Management Librarian & Clinical Associate Professor University of Illinois at Chicago

#### Tracy Ruppman

Reference/Instruction Librarian Loyola University Chicago

Candidate statements are forthcoming and will be posted on the IACRL website.

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#### ILEAD U, from page 1

possible by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, appears to be about technology. But if you look deeper, you see that while technology plays an important role, the program is so much more. ILEAD U is an immersive, project-based, group program where participants learn technology through hands-on instruction, all the while picking up lessons about project planning, community engagement, and leadership. The skills are centered on the application of these tools to fill user needs back at the librarian's home institution.

Participating first requires an application by a team of interested librarians. A team of participants from the 2010 cohort called UrInfo, included a high-school librarian and

four academic librarians: Sharon Sample. Access and Serials Librarian at Quincy University; Tammy Sayles, Marketing and Outreach Librarian at Western Illinois University; Leslie Starasta, Information Services Librarian at Lincoln Christian University; and Melissa DeVerger, Technical Services Librarian at Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing. Sample, who had heard of the program during its first cohort, set out to recruit a team. DeVerger found "the training and technology aspect" appealing and "also wanted a chance to network with other librarians." Others agreed that it was an exciting opportunity and signed up as well.

With a school librarian in the mix, they needed to find the overlapping needs of their users. Their answer, says Starasta, was an "interactive information literacy game that could be used by students in high school (juniors and seniors) and early college students (freshman and maybe sophomores)." To ensure that it was "something that we could all use in our libraries," as Sayles put it, they chose the Big6 Research Skills as their foundation. To make it fun and interesting, they used pirates as the game's theme in hopes that it would engage their students.

ILEAD U met at the University of Illinois at Springfield for four days on three separate occasions. While the program is free, participation requires that participants can take time away from work to attend the in-person sessions. In between sessions, teams continue to work

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## **Illinois Librarians at ACRL 2013**

#### Jill Sodt Black Hawk College

ACRL's National Conference in Indianapolis (April 10-13) should be a great conference with informative sessions, wonderful keynote speakers, and some new features. As usual, Illinois will be well represented by librarians from around the state. Listed below are Illinois academic librarians participating in this year's conference as presenters and panelists:

#### Wednesday, April 10 Preconference 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Planning, Assessing, and Communicating Library Impact: Putting the Standards for Libraries in Higher Education into Action Presenters: Debra Gilchrist, Pierce College; Lisa Hinchliffe, University of Illinois

#### Thursday, April 11, 2013 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Information Literacy and Scholarly Communication: Mutually Exclusive or Naturally Symbiotic? Presenters: Kim Duckett, North Carolina State University Libraries; Julia Gelfand, University of California, Irvine; **Stephanie Davis-Kahl, Illinois Wesleyan University**; Cathy Palmer, University of California, Irvine

The One-Shot Mixtape: Lessons for Planning, Delivering, and Integrating Instruction

Presenters: Megan Oakleaf, Syracuse University; Steven Hoover, Syracuse University; Jennifer Corbin, Tulane University; Debra Gilchrist, Pierce College; Randy Hensley, Head of Instruction, Baruch College; Christopher Hollister, University at Buffalo; Michelle Millet, John Carroll University; **Beth** 

#### Woodard, University of Illinois

Studying practicing researchers: How research within scientific industry can impact and influence information literacy among graduate students in STEM departments Presenters: Jenny Emanuel and Charlotte Roh, University of Illinois; Margaret Hentz, Dow Chemical Corporation

#### 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Library Publishing and Undergraduate Education: Strategies for Collaboration Presenters: Stephanie Davis-Kahl, Illinois Wesleyan University; Isaac Gilman, Pacific University; Michael Seeborg, Illinois Wesleyan University

#### 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Assessing Library Support for Aca-

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## **5** Questions for IACRL Member Jennifer Paliatka

#### Lindsay Harmon American Academy of Art

Describe yourself in 3 words.

Empathetic, organized, goofy.

#### What is your current professional position and what do you like best about it?

I am a Reference and Instruction Librarian at the A.C. Buehler Library at Elmhurst College. I really like the challenge that working with different learners gives me. We have returning, adult learners who have been away from school for years and young adults with developmental disabilities in our Learning and Success Academy. You have to be ready to meet library patrons where they are.

### What are you reading (or listening to) right now?

Never a City so Real, Alex Kotlowitz; Enjoying India: The Essential Handbook, J.D. Viharini; Seraphina, Rachel Hartman.

If you had a year off with



#### pay, what would you do?

In 2010, I spent two weeks volunteering in libraries in the Cook Islands. It was a very transformative experience for me. I would love to spend more time traveling around the world and volunteering along the way.

### Any big projects you're working on now?

This year, Catherine Yanikoski (Fountaindale Public Library District) and I are cochairing the Conference Program Committee for the 2013 Illinois Library Association conference at Navy Pier, October 15-17. The theme is "Ignite!" with fire symbolizing the burning enthusiasm of our profession and the sparking and catching of ideas. Conference speakers include customer service expert Dawn Mushill, Freedom Writer Manuel Scott and early childhood literacy consultant Saroj Ghoting. This is a project that gets me fired up!!

## Librarians on the Move: Spring 2013

#### Tracy Ruppman Loyola University Chicago

Illinois academic librarians have certainly been active over the last year. Here is a sampling of some professional moves that have occurred.

Susan Searing is now serving as Interim Associate University Librarian for User Services and Associate Dean of Libraries at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

**Daniel Tracy** is the new Visiting Librarian for Library

and Information Science and Research Support Services and Visiting Assistant Professor of Library Administration at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Rob Morrison has been promoted to Associate Professor and Teaching & Scholarship Coordinator at National Louis University.

Elizabeth Hille Cribbs is now Catalog (Music) Librarian and Assistant Professor at Northern Illinois University. Ariel Orlov started a new position at Dominican University as Distance Learning, Instruction, and Reference Librarian.

Gwen M. Gregory began a new position as Resource Acquisition and Management Librarian at the University of Illinois at Chicago in May 2012. She was previously Associate Director for Bibliographic Services at the John Marshall Law School Library in Chicago.

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## Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year

### **Call for Nominations**

IACRL annually bestows the Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year Award, which recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to academic or research librarianship, and particularly those whose activities have had notable effects within Illinois. The award will be presented at the ILA Annual Conference, to be held in Chicago at Navy Pier, October 15-17, 2013. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor the achievements of colleagues.

A nominee should have demonstrated achievement in

one or more of the following areas:

- Service to the organized profession through ILA, IACRL, and related organizations
- Significant and influential academic or research library service
- Contributions to the development of academic or research librarianship through research or publication
- Planning and implementing a library program of exemplary quality

Submissions must consist of a letter explaining how the

nominee meets the criteria. If possible, a vita or resume should be included. Other documentation, such as letters of support, will also be considered.

The deadline for nominations is May 15, 2013. Letters and supporting documentation should be sent to the ILA office (ila@ila.org / fax: 312-644-1899).

For more information, contact IACRL Awards Committee Chairperson Susan Swords Steffen at <u>susanss@elmhurst.edu</u> or visit <u>http://www.ila.org/</u> awards/illinois-academiclibrarian-of-the-year-award.

~~ Nominate a Colleague – Nominate Yourself! ~~

ILEAD U, from page 3 on their projects. The time commitment is not small. but according to Sample, Sayles, Starasta, and DeVerger there were some great takeaways. Sayles found that "being able to work hands on with the software or program you are receiving training in and then being able to implement it into your project or bring [it] back to your library was invaluable." Starasta likes to tell people that ILEAD U teaches you that "'fail' is NOT a four letter word. Give yourself permission to fail, fail often, and fail successfully," because ILEAD U was about "the courage to take risks, try new things and play."

In addition to working with their team and other librarians

from across the state, each team member had to involve a community representative in order to help them assess user needs. This played an important role in the program, and as Sample says, "it is crucial that academic librarians continue to learn and collaborate with community users and not make assumptions as to what they may need and/or want."

While their game still has a few glitches, the end goal really was about the process, skills, and relationships developed throughout the program. And it's clear after three sessions and a lot of hours logged working on their project that this team understood the value and encourages other academic librarians to take part in programs like ILEAD U. DeVerger sums it up rather well by stating, "I broadened my horizons and met some awesome librarians!" In a field where so much can be gained by collaborating with one another, that is certainly a successful outcome.

Since the ILEAD U cohort in 2010, the Illinois State Library has been awarded another grant from the IMLS to grow the program nationwide. This program, called ILEAD USA, includes participants from Ohio, Utah, Colorado, and Iowa in addition to Illinois. ILEAD USA kicks off its first session in March.

For more information about Team UrInfo and their project, visit their <u>LibGuide</u>. To learn more about ILEAD USA, visit their <u>website</u>.

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#### IACRL Social @ ACRL

Thursday, April 11 6:00-7:30 p.m. T.G.I. Friday's Courtyard Marriott Hotel 601 W. Washington, Indianapolis

For details, go to iacrl.net or email ggregory@uic.edu

#### Candidates, from page 1

University Libraries Section

Member-at-Large: Felice E. Maciejewski, University Librarian, Dominican University

Women and Gender Studies Section

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Pamela M. Salela**, Instructional Services Librarian and Associate Professor in Women and Gender Studies Program, University of Illinois-Springfield

ACRL, from page 3 demic Program Accreditations Presenter: Felix Chu, Western Illinois University

#### 1:00 PM - 2:10 PM

ExploreCU: A community generated digital humanities project Presenters: Sarah Christensen and Merinda Kaye Hensley, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

#### 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Student Collaboration in Mobile Application Design Presenters: David Ward and Jim Hahn, University of Illinois

#### 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

#### **Invited Paper**

The ERIAL Project: Findings, Ideas and Tools to Advance Your

#### Library

Presenter: David Green, Northeastern Illinois University

Friday, April 12

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Creating a Culture of Assessment: Determinants of Success Presenters: Meredith Farkas, Portland State University; Lisa Hinchliffe, University of Illinois; Amy Harris Houk, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

#### 8:30 AM - 9:40 AM

Clusters of Books: Subject analysis tools for library catalogs Presenters: Harriett Green and Kirk Hess, University of Illinois

#### 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

A Gallery for the Outlaw: Archiving the Art of the Iconoclast

Presenters: Caitlin Pollock, Loyola University Chicago; Andrea Bottoms, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Update on Value of Academic Libraries Initiative Presenters: Lisa Hinchliffe, University of Illinois; Megan Oakleaf, Syracuse University; Kara Malenfant, ACRL

#### 4:00-5:10 pm

When Social Media Fails to Inspire: Transforming your library's social media presence Presenters: Molly Beestrum, Kerri Willette, and Amy Wainwright, Columbia College Chicago

For a full description of these and other programs, visit the <u>ACRL</u> 2013 website.

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University of Illinois at Chicago also has three new resident librarians who started in January 2013: **Isabel Gonzalez** and **Annie Pho** in Reference, and **Kathryn Flynn** in Systems.

Many librarian moves have occurred at Loyola University Chicago in the last year. **Cathy Miesse**, former Assistant Dean for Technical Services and Outreach, retired in July after 27 years of distinguished service at Loyola University Libraries. **Anne Reuland**, formerly Director of Administrative Services, has been promoted to Assistant Dean for Technical Services and Planning. **Jennifer Jacobs**, formerly InterLibrary Loan Librarian, has been promoted to Director of Administrative Services. **Jennifer Stegen** has returned to her former position as InterLibrary Loan Librarian after a fouryear break. **Jeannette Pierce**, formerly Head of Reference Services for Lake Shore Campus, is now Director of the Klarchek Information Commons. **Niamh McGuigan**, formerly Reference and Instruction Librarian, is now Head of Reference Services for Lake Shore Campus. Two new librarians have also joined the Loyola University Libraries staff. **Margaret Heller** is now Digital Services Librarian and **Will Kent** is now Reference and Electronic Resources Librarian at Cudahy Library. Membership in IACRL is obtained by checking the *IACRL Forum* box on the ILA membership application form, which can be found at the ILA website under the Membership section. Requests for applications can be made directly to ILA at:

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