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From the President...

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Summer is over, school has started and the days of loafing are over!! Seriously, I'm guessing that summer was just a continuation of "things to do" for everyone. Hopefully, some of you got vacation time and came back "refreshed". The WALA Board continued to meet throughout the summer and have put together some plans for the upcoming year. The Board is of the opinion that WALA should be a tool for librarians to network, learn, and just be a

good librarian. Therefore, **there will be a workshop, September 15th, on Grants/Fundraising and Cooperation.** The only cost will be for lunch and attendees will have a choice of the whole day or part of the day. In November, in partnership with SCKLS, the annual Legislative Luncheon will take place in conjunction with a lobbying workshop. These activities are for EVERYONE who works in libraries and wants to attend. As President of WALA,



along with Nan Myers, President-elect, the goal is to provide a vehicle for growth in the field of librarianship, for everyone!!

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See p.7 for information on WALA FALL WORKSHOP

"How did it Go? 2004 WALA Traveling Show

We are so glad you asked. The WALA Traveling Show did thirty-one shows for thirty libraries and 1,380 children and parents. There was an average of forty-five persons in attendance with individual shows ranging from zero to 150. The cast traveled over two thousand miles, donating just about every Tuesday and Wednesday in June and July to this worthy project. WALA received \$650.00 in money donations. Many libraries also provided lunch or refreshments. For many small, rural libraries the WALA show is only outside event scheduled for Summer Reading and it is a big draw for the library. The WALA Trav-

eling Show can be used as the "kick off" or the "finale" for Summer Reading. The show is always written around the theme for Summer Reading and material "ideas" come from the SCKLS book, children's books, songs, etc. Our "set" is usually designed by **Betty Batten** and **Rita Severt** and made by art students at Friends University and Newman University. (Husbands are often "drafted" also). Props are "scrounged" from everywhere. It is amazing what can be done on less than a showstring!!

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“How did it go?” 2004 WALA Traveling Show

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This summer saw the cast traveling to some shows in the WALA BUS.

(RV owned by Director, **Sharon Ailsieger** and driven by Roadie, **Ross Ailsieger**).

Rita Severt drove her van other times, (She can never get rid of her van!!).

Cast members included:

RITA SEVART

Newman University

SHARON AILSLIEGER

McConnell AFB

BETTY BATTEN

Friends University

VALORIE STARR

Friends University

NANCY MALONE

SCKLS

ERIN TORGELSON

student, Newman University

REBECCA SEVART

student, Newman University

MATTHEW HECK

student, Robinson Middle School

MOONA

Student from Nepal, Newman U.

A good time was had by all and the children’s response was great!!

We all have anecdotal stories to

tell. A BIG THANK YOU goes to SCKLS for their support. We can always count on Julie T. to attend at least one show and share her comments. If all this sounds like something in which you would like to be involved, we will be looking for people for next year. Contact **Rita Severt** (sevartr@newmanu.edu) or **Sharon Ailsieger** (sharon.ailsiegar@mcconnell.af.mil)

Sharon Ailsieger



WALA SUMMER SHOW



NEWS FROM THE WICHITA PUBLIC LIBRARY

by Jennifer Heinicke

The Wichita Public Library has announced its fall schedules for adults, teens, and children. Full details are available at any WPL location or online at <http://www.wichita.lib.ks.us>.

These programs might be of special interest to librarians:

The Proper Care and Feeding of Your Book Discussion Group

Participate in an interactive session on starting and running a successful book discussion group.

Learn how the Wichita Public Library can help your group.

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2:00-

3:30 p.m., Rockwell Branch Library, 5939 E. 9th, 688-9361

Tuesday, Sept. 28, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Alford Branch Library, 3447 S. Meridian, 337-9119

Dynamic Storytimes

Want to jazz up your storytimes? Master storyteller **Judy Nichols** will

demonstrate techniques for using songs, participation stories, puppets, and creative dramatics. Registration is required: contact **Carol Roberts** at croberts@wichita.gov or

(316) 261-8500 to register. Tuesday, Oct. 26, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Westlink Branch Li-

brary, 8515 Bekemeyer,

337-9456

Saturday, Nov. 13, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Central Library, 223 S. Main, 261-8500

Voices of Our Ancestors:

Storytelling Workshop with **Consuelo Samarripa**

Learn more about sharing your family's memories and telling captivating stories with San Antonio storyteller and writer **Samarripa**.

Registration required; call 688-9361 beginning Thursday, Oct. 21.

Thursday, Nov. 4, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Rockwell Branch Library, 5939 E. 9th, 688-9361



WALA SHOW on the ROAD

SCKLS EVENTS IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

by Nancy Malone

WALA/SCKLS 2004 Technology Day

WALA and the South Central Kansas Library System are joint sponsors of the WALA/SCKLS Annual Technology Day on Thursday, November 4 at Friends University in Wichita. Featured speaker is **Theresa J. Dickson** from Norman, Oklahoma who will share on humor in the workplace. Striving to address member comments, three morning sessions have been added this year, followed by a full afternoon of training and information. Workshops will include sessions on children's internet sites, basic cataloging, database searching, intermediate and advanced Powerpoint, audio-visual equipment repair, and others. This is always a popular day for Wichita area librarians. Look for a complete registration packet in your mail box very soon!

SCKLS Brings Spiderman to Kansas

As a result of receiving a \$28,000 grant from Kan-Ed, the South Central Kansas Library System will be offering several free and innovative educational opportunities dealing with internet safety to the Kansas library and educational community. This technology initiative is called Kan-Safe.

Marvel Comic super hero, Spiderman, will be present at the initial Kan-Safe event. On October 5, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. a series of internet safety sessions will be held at Wichita State University's Eugene M. Hughes Metropolitan Complex, 29th and Oliver in Wichita. Spiderman accompanies featured presenter **Parry Aftab**, Executive Director of WIRED SAFETY. **Aftab** is an internation-

ally known speaker and published author on internet safety, cybercrime, cyberstalking, workplace risk management, child exploitation and child pornography. She will present sessions on internet safety and filtering in Wichita on October 5th. All sessions will be broadcast over Kan-Ed Live. The day's activities include sessions for librarians, trustees, legislators, children, families and the general public.

The state funded Kan-Ed organization awarded SCKLS a Kan-Ed Content Grant to develop the Kan-Safe initiative to promote internet safety. SCKLS along with Educational Services and Staff Development Association

of Central Kansas (ESSDACK) will continue to develop the three components of Kan-Safe:

1. Kan-Safe web accessible resource center.

2. Internet safety curriculum for Kansas educators to be presented on Kan-Ed Live.

3. Three Internet Safety Workshops presented by **Larry Papenfuss**, SCKLS Technology Coordinator, and **Paul Hawkins**, SCKLS Director, broadcast over Kan-Ed Live.

The Kansas library community and Kansas educators are welcome to attend the entire day's activities. For additional information contact Nancy Malone at nmalone@sckls.org.

SCKLS Executive Committee invites you at its Monthly Meetings

The Executive Committee for the South Central Kansas Library System meets monthly, conducting their meetings at member libraries around the System, including some in the Wichita area. The July meeting was at the Haysville Community Library and the November meeting will be at Bradford Memorial Library in El Dorado. Any System member is welcome to attend these monthly meetings. Check the SCKLS Events Calendar for place and time at <http://sckls.org>.

WALA LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

NATIONAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SPOTLIGHTS ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Andover Public Library (APL) was one of only ten libraries in the nation invited to present its summer reading program at the American Library Association (ALA) annual conference this past June in Orlando, Florida. Historically, ALA conferences attract 20,000 or more people from all over the world.

APL was chosen to provide a visual display and participate in a panel discussion on summer programs because of the program's huge and growing success. "The success of the program can be attributed to two basics: keeping it simple and making it fun. We make it easy to keep track of reading time, and we get the best and most age-appropriate incentives we can find," according to **Carol Wohlford**, APL director,

Children ages 4 through 18 participate by earning "APL Bucks" for each hour they read during the eight weeks of the program. By tallying time spent reading, instead of the number of books, the program becomes non-competitive. APL

Bucks are exchanged for various age-appropriate incentives, ranging from stickers and pencils to bean bag chairs, gift certificates and CD players. Local merchants and individual patrons contribute money, time and talent each year to the program. Because the incentives are thoughtfully-chosen with input from youth of all ages, over 21% of the youth who participate are 13 years old or older.

"The fact that almost 25% of the participants in our summer reading program are teenagers is what attracted ALA to us," says **Wohlford**. "Plus, last year, 750 children participated, and this year, with two weeks to go, the total participants equal 909. That's pretty remarkable for a community with a population of 8,000."

Wohlford attended the ALA conference in Orlando and hosted the Andover Public Library display. Over three-hundred people stopped by her booth to photograph it and ask her questions.

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIVES \$2,000 WAL MART GRANT

Andover Public Library (APL) received a \$2,000 grant from Mike Wallace, Wal-Mart manager, at an all-employee store meeting on Tuesday, July 13, 2004.

"The funds will go to expand our family literacy programming," noted **Carol Wohlford**, APL director. APL will purchase a new state-of-the-art computer for the library children's section. Educational software, mostly in the form of user-friendly themes for use by youth who patronize the library, will also be purchased with this grant.

Helping support literacy efforts in communities where their stores exist is one of Wal-Mart's primary goals with this grant program.

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIANS at the American Library Association Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida

Several ALA participants shared with you information from the ALA Annual Conference in the previous issue of the WALA News and we promised to continue this topic. Here is more news from ALA.

The focus is on major GPO initiatives, public access to government information and copyright issues.

Government Goes Paperless: 80% of Documents Published Electronically

By Nan Myers

Associate Professor and Librarian
Government Documents, Patents and
Trademark, Wichita State University

At the June 2004 American Library Association Annual Conference, most of the meetings and programs I attended were sponsored by the Government Documents Round Table. Three major initiatives are being mounted by the Government Printing Office, which will impact on all libraries: 1) Creation of a national bibliography of U.S. Government Publications, which will be made possible by the GPO's acquisition of an ILS for the first time. 2) Implementation of a digital library of all U.S. documents, which will provide quite the historical backdrop for researchers. 3) The "Collection of Last Resort," which will attempt to archive and preserve a physical copy of every document ever printed by the GPO.

In other words, the GPO wants to ensure preservation of a tangible collection, but believes that the best use of and access to all government information in the future will be virtual. They have begun by asking the cooperation of ARL Libraries in committing to funding for the \$50 million+ required to digitize every document back to the 1770's. It appears that eventually every library will have online access to 100% of federal documents, including the Serial Set! A survey to rank priorities for digitization is in process

among depository libraries.

Since 80% of all government titles are now published electronically, providing online access to them is a continuing challenge. I attended a Pre-Conference titled "Make the Most of What You've Got: Improving Access to Government Information in Your Online Catalog," co-sponsored by GODORT and ALCTS. This was a very useful training program, with an especially good section titled "MARC for Documents."

Probably the most useful program I attended was a three-hour session sponsored by ACRL: "Copyright Basics for the Digital World." The speakers were both attorneys who direct the Copyright Offices at Purdue and Louisville Universities. The program focused on practical copyright issues for libraries, on topics like electronic reserves, electronic document delivery, digitization projects, licensing, and scholarly communication.

People should have permanent access to Government Information

By Richard Matthews

Chair of Reference and Research
Services, Wichita State University

I participated in a panel addressing current concerns about preservation and citizens' permanent public access to web-based electronic government information. This is commonly referred to as "permanent public access." Four other persons served on the panel, including **Mary Alice Baish**, Associate Washington Affairs Representative for American Association of Law Libraries (AALL). I discussed findings and recommendations of *State-by-State Report on Permanent*

Public Access to Electronic Government Information, an AALL study that compiled state-level investigations of 58 law librarians from around the country. I served as editor-in-chief on the project. Later that same day, I spoke to the GODORT State and Local Government Task Force in greater depth in a presentation and discussion session, "Focusing on E-Government Legislation as a Key to Reform Ensuring Permanent Public Access to Electronic Government Information."

Days later, I had the opportunity to present the similar topic at the American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting and Conference in Boston. In my "State-by-State Report on Permanent Public Access to Electronic Government Information ... One Year Later," I addressed new developments and advocacy efforts that followed upon the publication of the state-by-state report. The report, which carefully examined why government information on the web is vulnerable to ineffective preservation, discovered that many states may recognize the need for permanent public access to web-based government information but lack adequate laws. As a result of one state author's aggressive advocacy efforts, Montana has moved toward adopting a permanent public access statute. Since June of last year, noteworthy developments at the Federal-level point to new strategies involving inter-agency cooperation as a means to ensure permanent public access.

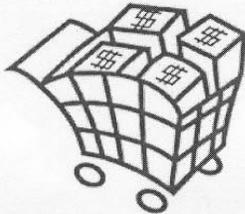


2004 Fall Workshop
Wednesday, September 15, 2004
9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Andover Central Park Lodge
1607 E. Central, Andover Ks. 67002

A full day of sharing and information on grant writing and multi-type library cooperation, because many of today's grants require cooperation among different entities. We trust these sessions will help better prepare you to be successful in the grant writing arena.

9:30 - 12:00 "Where is the Money?"
Carol A. Nazar
 Executive Director
 Wichita Public Library Foundation

Carol is responsible for development of endowment and special grant funds for public library enhancement.



1:00 - 3:00 "Let's Cooperate!"
Eric Hansen
 Executive Director
 Kansas Library Network Board

Eric, along with the KLNB, develops and implements long-range plans and offers grants and support services to all types of libraries.

"Tell Us About Your Grants" panel made up of **Larry Papenfuss**, Automation Technology Coordinator for the South Central Kansas Library System, **Betty Cattrell**, Director of the Haysville Community Library, and **Linda Slack**, Director of the Kingman Carnegie Library.

Morning refreshments will be provided by SCKLS and lunch catered by Jason's Deli at a cost of \$8.00. Continuing education credit in the Library Employee Education Program (LEEP) will be offered to interested participants for the sessions. **For further program information and/or registration contact Sharon Ailslieger at 316-759-4207 or email at Sharon.Ailsliegar@mccconnell.af.mil.**

Detach and return by Friday, September 10, 2004

Name _____ Email _____

Library _____

I will be attending the following sessions:

- _____ 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. "Where is the Money?" grant writing session
- _____ 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. "Let's Cooperate!" multi-type library cooperation

Jason's Deli catered lunch: make check out to WALA and enclose with registration.

Mail this form and check for lunch (made out to WALA) to:

Sharon Ailslieger
McConnell Air Force Base Library
53476 Wichita St. Building 412
McConnell AFB. Kansas 67221

Good Bye Valorie, Best Wishes to you!!



Valorie Starr, the WALA President 2001-2002, Reference & ILL Librarian, bid a fond farewell to her colleagues at Friends

University in July 2004. Her coworkers at Edmund Stanley Library gave her a wonderful Bon Voyage Party on July 16 which was well attended by many faculty and staff. Her last week of work was her best as she used up the remainder of her vacation time!

Since her departure, she is spending time at home with family. Her daughter, Deirdre, will start Kindergarten on August 26. Valorie has been helping her with reading, writing, math, and Spanish so that Deirdre will be ready to go. Valorie's husband, **Daniel Callahan**, is full-time student at Wichita State University pursuing a masters in Mathematics. He is also a graduate teaching assistant and teaches beginning algebra three evenings a week. At this time, Valorie is still exploring new career opportunities. While she enjoys the public service aspect of libraries, she wouldn't pass up the chance to try something new such as banking or legal work. She is also pursuing career opportunities in Wisconsin as her husband's family lives there, and it would be nice to be closer to them.

Valorie was a good WALA president and active Board Member. She participated in WALA activities, and was especially helpful with the organization of the annual Technology Day. Valorie still wants her library friends and colleagues to keep in touch. Here is her e-mail valoriestarr@yahoo.com and phone 316-304-7020.

Newman University welcomes **Steve Hamersky**, the new Technical Services Librarian. Steve comes to Newman from the Wichita Public Library.

Travelogue

by *Allan Tanner*, Treasurer

What I said in the last issue still holds: we have a comfortable balance (now \$1,053.85) in the WALA bank account, but please pay your dues.

That said, let me tell you about libraries I visited or almost visited recently. In Portland, OR, I didn't visit the Multnomah County Library, but I did visit Trader Joe's, where I bought 3 lb. of Jumbo Golden Raisins. My daughter just graduated from Reed College in Portland. Proud father. The Weber County Library in Ogden, UT quickly signed me up for the Internet, asking only my first name and whether I wanted 15 or 30 minutes. I misread a map when visiting the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, and drove on some winding roads at 7,000 feet for a long time as night fell, so I didn't get to visit the public library in Green River, WY. In Hays, KS, I attempted to visit the public library, but with summer hours, it had closed at 7:00 p.m. On the Fort Hays State University campus, classes had not begun, and the library was not open at night. Did you know that a town called Rome preceded Hays City? I found that fact on a stone marker.

That's the treasurer's report.



WALA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2004-2005

Name: _____

Position: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

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E-mail: _____

Home Address, if desired: _____

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Should WALA correspondence be addressed to you at work___ or at home___?

Would you like a receipt? Yes___ No___

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If this is a renewal, have you had a change in name___, position___, institution___, or home address (when provided)___? Please check any that apply and supply the OLD information below. (This will help us to keep our mailing list up-to-date.)

Please mark any of the following WALA Committees on which you would be willing to serve:

___ *Membership* ___ *Finance* ___ *Programs*

___ *Co-operating Libraries* ___ *Communications* ___ *Community Relations*

Please return this form, along with your check made payable the Wichita Area Library Association for \$15.00 for renewal and new full year memberships, or \$7.50 for a trial membership. WALA's year is from July 1 to June 30. Kindly send the form and the money to: Allan Tanner, Wichita Public Library, 223 S. Main St. Wichita, KS 67202

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