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SCC/SC MLA Meeting
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The Joint SCC/SC MLA Meeting will take place from September 21-26, 2023 in New Orleans, LA. We hope you will join us!

The planning committees from both Southern Chapter and South Central Chapter have been working for months (and in some cases years since this is a rescheduled meeting) to plan an amazing meeting.

We encourage you to visit the meeting website [https://www.sccmla.org/Meetings/2023] to:

- Register for the meeting and CE courses. This year our speaker line up is top notch: Heather Veneziano, Dr. Thomas LaViest, and Elizabeth Schexnyder!
- Make your hotel reservation! The room rate is $199 (for single/double occupancy), and it is available for 3 days after the end of the meeting (i.e., until September 29th). Reserve your room early as this rate is only good until August 21.
- Discover historical and culture offerings.
- View the meeting program.
We have 10 CE offerings you can choose from this year, including 2 virtual courses before the conference:
- Tuesday, September 5: Activate, Collaborate, Educate: Library Health Outreach
- Thursday, September 7: Creating NIH Data Management and Sharing Plans with DMPTools
- Friday, September 22: Introduction to 3D Printing and Medical Imaging
- Friday, September 22: Piecing Together a Review Service: Part 1 - Practical Guidance on How to Conduct Initial Consults
- Friday, September 22: Providing Consumer Health Information in Underserved Rural Areas
- Saturday, September 22: Piecing Together a Review Service: Part 2 - Guidance on Software
- Saturday, September 22: Visualizing the Value of Researcher and Institution Publications
- Saturday, September 22: Treasures of the All of Us Research Data
- Saturday, September 22: The Computers Work for Us; We Don't Work for the Computers
- Saturday, September 22: Beyond the Binary: Understanding LGBTQIA+ Health

**Paper, Poster, and Lightning Talks**
If you are interested in submitting a paper, poster and/or lightning talk abstract the submission deadline is Friday, July 21, 2023 (by 11:59 pm EST). Details are available at: [https://www.sccmla.org/Meetings/2023/program](https://www.sccmla.org/Meetings/2023/program)

We will have an informal time on Monday, July 17 at 2 pm EST to provide protected time to write, brainstorm, and get feedback on potential submissions. This is separate from the review committee who will make the final decision as to which submissions are accepted for the conference.

**Writing Retreat**
Since we are joining SCC/MLA we have spots reserved for SC/MLA members to attend the Writing Retreat. Check out the application process and learn more about the day here: [https://www.sccmla.org/Meetings/writing-retreat](https://www.sccmla.org/Meetings/writing-retreat)

This is an ideal time to work on upgrading a previous poster/paper to a journal article. There will be quiet time, opportunity for feedback, and assistance moving your idea from point A to point B. The deadline to apply is August 1.

More details will continue to be added to the meeting website so please check back often.
2023 Honors and Awards Now Accepting Applications

The Honors and Awards Committee is currently accepting applications for the 2023 awards and scholarships. The committee has provided a few highlights of each award. All awards and scholarships require you to be a SC/MLA member. Complete information about the criteria, procedures, and guidelines for each award can be found on the Southern Chapter website by clicking the links below.

Most applications take only a few minutes to apply. The call for nominees closes August 31st, 2023 unless otherwise noted. Unless otherwise directed, submit all recommendations for these awards to Rachel Whitney, chair of the Honors and Awards Committee, at whitnera@musc.edu.

LIST OF AWARDS

**Academic Librarian of the Year Award**
- Mid-career librarian – 5 to 15 years of experience; cannot be a library director
- MLA membership required
- Provide CV/résumé and detail list of accomplishments
- Worked in an academic health science library for the preceding 5 years
- Outstanding regional, national, or international contributions demonstrated in leadership, publication, research, service, or a combination of these

**Honorary Membership Award**
- Current member; recently retired
- Made significant and consistent contributions to SC/MLA or the profession
- MLA Fellows may also be considered

**Hospital Librarian of the Year Award**
- Must be hospital librarians at the time of the award
- 5 years or more as a hospital librarian; at least 3 years of experience immediately preceding the award.
- Made notable contributions to hospital librarianship
- Submit application form to Christine Willis (Christine.Willis@shepherd.org) and Mary Katherine Haver (MaryKatherine.Haver@moffitt.org)
- Applications are due August 25th

**Library and Information Science (LIS) Student Award**
- Currently enrolled in an ALA-accredited library school in the region
- Requires a letter of recommendation on institutional letterhead from an LIS instructor or Health Sciences Librarian
- Submit a brief paragraph essay answering prompt
- Provide a brief report of the Annual Meeting to the SC/MLA’s newsletter, Southern Expressions following the meeting.

**T. Mark Hodges Award**
- Member of SC/MLA for at least 10 years.
- Well-known within the chapter by serving in various capacities and actively participating in meetings.
- Requires a curriculum vitae, list of qualifications, and two supporting letters from chapter members.
LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS

**AHIP Scholarship**
- Must successfully apply to AHIP for the first time or renew at a higher level
- Must have received acceptance into AHIP no longer than 6 months prior to applying for the scholarship
- Reimbursement at AHIP member rate
- Apply year-round – no deadline – as long as funds exist
- Submissions go to MLA Credentialing Liaison Terry Kit Selfe at tselfe1@ufl.edu

**First-time Attendee Scholarship**
- Member of SCMLA, and not a student, attending their first SC/MLA meeting.
- Must attend a CE course and all SC/MLA sessions.
- Must submit a letter of need from an administrator.
- Must answer: “What do you hope to gain professionally and/or personally by attending the SC/MLA Annual Meeting?”

**Jocelyn Rankin Memorial Scholarship**
- Must be current, non-student Southern Chapter member who wants to attend a research-related continuing education course or workshop.
- The award, not to exceed $500.00, can be used to defray expenses necessary for the fulfillment of the course (tuition, travel, etc.).
- Preference will be given to courses sponsored by Southern Chapter or MLA, however the jury will consider courses sponsored by other organizations.
- All awardees must pay for their expenses up front and then submit a request for reimbursement after the meeting.
- Upon completion of the course, the recipient must submit a written report to the Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee for submission to Southern Expressions.

**Martha C. Watkins Memorial Scholarship**
- Applicants must be current Southern Chapter members, who work in a hospital library and who want to take a course or workshop at the Southern Chapter annual meeting.
- The amount awarded will not exceed $500.00, and can be used to defray any expenses necessary for the fulfillment of the course (tuition, travel, etc.).
- All awardees must pay for their expenses up front and then submit a request for reimbursement after the meeting.
Handcrafted ornament sales are returning to this year’s annual meeting in New Orleans!

Ornaments will be sold for $5 each. All proceeds will support the SC/MLA Scholarship fund. Plan ahead - we will only be accepting cash for ornament sales!

Please join your chapter colleagues in crafting ornaments for a good cause! Ornaments can be brought to the meeting, sent with a colleague, or mailed to Lauren Young:

Lauren Young
Samford University Library
800 Lakeshore Drive
Birmingham, AL 35229

quilting | woodworking | paper crafts | all mediums welcome!
Jessica Daly, Head of Collections & Electronic Resources and Head of Library Outreach and Marketing, recently participated in two breakout sessions during the Florida Library Associations 2023 Conference. The first session was a group panel of librarians who shared what they learned over the past year entitled “A Year in Review”. The second session was an individual presentation called “Collection Connection” where Jessica shared her library’s collection and services through outreach and marketing over the past year. This session was also livestreamed for online conference participants.

The R.A. Williams Library sponsored a “Taco Tuesday” outreach event for the student housing residents in February to connect with students and promote our resources and services. The students were so appreciative, and it was a lot of fun!
The R.A. Williams Library staff and faculty welcomed Honey, a therapy horse, to come and visit with our students, staff, and faculty on May 23. Her visit brought a wonderful distraction to our students as they worked and studied in the library and across our campus. While we strive to offer our students the best resources and services possible, we also know how important their mental health is. Therapy animals are one of the most popular events our library hosts each month.

During our spring exam week, we did something new for our students when they used our space to study as groups and as individuals. We offered coffee, tea, and water along with snack bars and fruit from 8am to 8pm each day. Students loved and appreciated it! Making students feel special during this stressful time helped connect students with the library. While refueling our students physically, we also refueled them mentally. Special thanks to our library staff that made all of this happen.
Medical Librarians from FSU attend MLA in Detroit

Melodie Gardner, Information Services Librarian, and Martin Wood, Director, attended the MLA-SLA 2023 conference. This meeting was the first in-person event for many of the attendees since the World Health Organization officially declared the end of the COVID-19 pandemic. Allowing many attendees to resume more normal library and professional activities. At the conference, it was a pleasure to encounter a robust program with multiple sessions of interest to choose from, and most importantly, to interact with our colleagues from across the nation that we had not seen since 2019. MLA is in Portland next year, and we already know that the medical library here at FSU will have strong representation at that meeting, and we look forward to other libraries in the southern region attending MLA, SC/MLA, and other conferences in the year ahead as well.

Memories of Dr. Daniel Van Durme

The FSU College of Medicine recently lost one of our senior faculty members and an esteemed member of the FSU, USF, and physician community. Dr. Daniel Van Durme, affectionately known to most as “DVD” was well-known throughout our Florida medical schools and beyond. I know many of you knew him by name, if not personally. We talk often about finding the champions for our libraries, and working with them to advocate for our needs, whether they be personnel needs, collection needs, or simply doors to opportunity that we need help opening. DVD was a tremendous advocate for the library at FSU, and was a model for inclusivity in connecting the work we do to the curriculum and clinical practice. For more information on the legacy that Dr. Van Durme leaves behind, visit: https://med.fsu.edu/spotlight/home/renaissance-man-memories-dr-daniel-van-durme/fri-06022023-1738

FSU upgrades DynaMed to DynaMedex with Isabel

The Maguire Medical Library has recently made the decision to upgrade our DynaMed subscription to DynaMedex with Isabel Pro. With ever-increasing demands by the curriculum to incorporate evidence-based information, we wanted a tool that could provide a wider breadth of reliable information on drugs, diseases, treatments, guidelines, and patient education, while also providing the value of a strong differential diagnostic tool. DynaMed has been part of the curriculum at FSU in both the MD and PA programs for a number of years, so this upgrade to DynaMedex adds robust pharmacological content from Micromedex while also serving the purpose of giving students a tool they can use from their first week in medical school to graduation as they progress from the basic sciences to clinical training. This also gives our clinical teaching faculty a trusted source to use to engage with our students and expect them to show evidence for the decisions they are making in preceptorships, clerkships, and sub-internships. We welcome any questions from our colleague libraries, if this is an upgrade you are considering.
Curriculum Support – The Rural Learning Experience (RuLE)
Each June, the medical library supports the College of Medicine’s Rural Learning Experience (RuLE). RuLE introduces students to rural communities – one of the pillars of the COM Mission – and to the essentials of performing a community health assessment.

Librarian support for RuLE has ranged from creating curricular materials and resources, to organizing and accompanying students on rural trips, to conducting train-the-trainer instruction on researching rural communities. The medical library has collaborated with RuLE faculty and instructors since the program began in 2010.

For June 2023, the medical library provided multiple levels of support for the RuLE sessions, which were greatly appreciated by the faculty course directors; and presumably, the students! Melodie Gardner, Information Services Librarian, was a facilitator for one of the four RuLE Debrief & Jigsaw Large Group sessions. Additionally, Susan Epstein, Systems Librarian was available to answer students’ questions as the subject expert “Librarian in a Box,” and the library also provided search tips and video tutorials for the students.

Search tips for Online Health Information (Quick Tip; updated May 2023)
Community Health Assessment Resources (Video: 1:56 min)

Librarian in a Box: Consultations as needed during small group sessions via Zoom
And the Winner Is...
The Health Sciences Library held its first annual Hoopla March Madness tournament. Sixteen library resources, services, and programs were randomly pitted against each other to determine the ultimate fan favorite. In the final battle, Library Llama squared off against the front desk candy bowl. In a shocking upset, the candy bowl beat out Library Llama to take the top spot.

It was enlightening for the library's public services team to learn that our students value the front desk candy above all else. Having a dish of candy and miniature chocolate bars at our circulation desk is something our library has been doing since its inception, and at times we have questioned whether we should continue the practice. Our users have spoken so it appears our candy bowl is not going anywhere for now. The candy bowl is at the desk from 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday. It takes a hiatus over the summer after our first-year medical students finish classes.

More Llamas in the Library
The library marked this April as Step 1 Survival Month for our second-year medical students studying for their USMLE Step 1 exam. Each week in April featured a wellness activity aimed at our stressed-out students hunkered down in the library space. On week one we introduced our llama study buddies, eight plush baby llamas to serve as moral support and desktop encouragement. The llamas were ordered from Amazon.com and name tags were added to each llama. We used ChatGPT to come up with names with “double l,” including Lloyd, Llewellyn, Lluis, Llarry, LLayton, and Llola. Our eighth llama is Peggy.

The study buddies, which are available on a first-come-first-served bases and are not being checked out, have been steadily popular with library users. The idea came from the University of Florida's Humanities and Social Sciences Library, who shared their study buddies on Twitter.

Publications
- **Dexter N, Walton D.** An interview with ChatGPT and BARD from a medical librarian perspective. MLA Connect. https://www.mlanet.org/p/cm/ld/fid=1122&&blogaid=4415. Published May 4, 2023. (Login required.)
USF Health Libraries Welcomes....
We would like to introduce our newest Access Services staff member, Devon Griffin. Devon is one of our Library Specialists and works at our downtown Tampa location, the Florida Blue Health Knowledge Exchange (FBHKE).

Devon moved to Florida from the Midwest six years ago. For the past three years, Devon worked for the public library. He is a big fan of music and enjoys traveling across the country to see as much live music as possible. He looks forward to seeing the academic side of library life.

Pet Therapy & Snitch’s 14th Birthday
Our pet therapy events continue to be a welcome reprieve for students, staff, and faculty at USF Health. Additionally, we celebrated our Library Ambassador’s 14th Birthday. Snitch still attends some of our events but is gradually handing over the reins to her brother, Kip, and sister, Keeva.

Let’s Start a Book Club
We held our first book club and unintentionally selected the same book as NLM’s Spring Book Club, Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha’s What the Eyes Don’t See: A Story of Crisis, Resistance, and Hope in an American City. Our book club discussion group was small but a very engaged and lively group. We’re looking forward to our Summer Book Club in July which will discuss Matt Haig’s The Midnight Library and our book for Fall Book Club has already been chosen, MK Czerwiec’s Taking Turns: Stories from HIV/AIDS Care Unit 371.
USF Health Libraries – University of South Florida, Tampa FL (cont)

Spring Connections
It was time to reconnect after USF simultaneously went through multi-campus consolidation, a global pandemic, and implementation of a new statewide university catalog system. Our St. Petersburg, Sarasota-Manatee, and Tampa campus libraries became the USF Libraries. As the pandemic waned, opportunities arose to reconnect with old acquaintances and meet new ones. The USF Health Libraries remained as its own entity.

An informal lunch meeting and tour of Shimberg Library was held for the Tampa campus librarians. Overall, it was great to meet new and established USF librarians. We learned a little more about each other’s libraries and discussed where USF was heading next. Our health librarians’ Retreat Day took us over to our St. Petersburg campus where we met some of the librarians at the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library and toured their newly renovated library.
Passive Programming
Before final exams, we decided to try something new at Shimberg Library. During the exam break week, we put out daily snacks and drinks, puzzles, play doh, coloring sheets, games, and bubbles for students to take and use at their own pace. Also, we reorganized our tiny free library and placed our passive programming around it to attract more people to it. We had a good response from students and our staff did not feel overwhelmed. It was minimal effort with maximum return, and we will probably do it again at the end of the fall semester.

Farewell & Congratulations
We bid farewell in May to three of our wonderful student assistants who graduated: Andy, Lauren and Rachel. Andy and Rachel were with us through the pandemic and Lauren joined us last year as our social media student. They are all off on new adventures now!
USF Health Libraries – University of South Florida, Tampa FL (cont)

Publications

Presentations
During Core Interest Group Week in March, Mindy Berg (USF Health) and Mardi Mahaffy (UMKC), co-chairs of the Core New Members Interest Group, gave a presentation titled “So You're New Here? Getting Started with Core.”


Core: Leadership, Infrastructure, Futures, became a new division of ALA in 2020 formed from the merger of the Association of Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), and the Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA).

The presentation gave an overview of the division covering sections, committees, interest groups, and more, and the various ways in which one can engage with Core. Information, recordings, and slides for all the Interest Group Week presentations can be found at: https://www.ala.org/core/
Employees Discover their Path to Success at the Education Fair - Recap and Highlights!

We are delighted to share some exciting news regarding our recent participation in the highly successful 2023 Education Fair, sponsored by the HR - Talent Management and Development Department. The fair served as a valuable platform for us to connect with Baptist Health South Florida staff who are interested in advancing their careers or pursuing further education.

This year’s event marked a significant milestone as it was the first in-person fair held since the COVID-19 pandemic. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as employees eagerly explored the diverse range of college and university programs available and their admission requirements. Our presence at the fair was a testament to our commitment to the Baptist community, demonstrating that we are always here to support growth and professional development.

At the fair, we aimed to inform our employees about the additional support and resources we offer, in addition to those provided by their respective universities. We highlighted that whenever they face challenges in their research, need assistance with generating paper citations, finding specific articles, navigate copyright concerns, or require specialized training, our Library & Knowledge Services team is just a visit away. With six accessible locations equipped with study areas and resources, as well as externally accessible materials and an impressive turnaround time of 24-48 hours, we strive to ensure needs are met efficiently and effectively.

We are thrilled to announce that the 2023 Fair was a resounding success, surpassing our expectations in numerous ways. The fair was strategically placed across multiple locations, including Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Miami Cancer Institute, and West Kendall Baptist Hospital, enabling a wider reach and accommodating more personnel. We were delighted to have a staggering turnout of over 250 users who visited our booth, and we distributed more than 150 handouts to eager learners. What's even more remarkable is that a remarkable 42% of attendees now have a deeper understanding of the exceptional services we provide.
WHSC Library Welcomes New Staff Member

We are excited to announce that the Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library has recruited Erin Reardon as our new Public Health Informationist. Erin joined the Informationist team in March of 2023 from the Health Sciences Library at the University of Minnesota. As a Public Health Informationist, Erin will support instruction and research activities with our Rollins School of Public Health students and faculty, as well as our library Systematic Review Team.

Erin has been active in MLA via the Hospital Library Caucus, the Research Training Institute, and education committee work. She is currently the Chair of the Libraries in the Health Sciences Curriculums Caucus.

We welcome her to Emory and the Southern Chapter!

Emory WHSC Library participates in SLA/MLA ‘23

The Emory Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library supported eight librarians attending SLA/MLA in-person: from first-time attendee John Nemeth to Tara Douglas-Williams, currently serving as an MLA Board Member. Emory Librarians presented two posters, a paper, and moderated a session during the 3-day conference:

- **Powell KR**, Townes J, Resco F. Open but Hidden: Open Access gaps in National Science Foundation funded publications as posted online in the NSF Public Access Repository. Poster presented at SLA/MLA’23; May 19, 2023; Detroit, MI.
- **Rogers H, White MS, Nemeth JK**. Unintended Results of a Successful Systematic Review Service. Poster presented at SLA/MLA’23; May 18, 2023; Detroit, MI.
- **Peterson, S**. Professionalism & Leadership Papers 1. Session Moderator at SLA/MLA’23; May 17, 2023; Detroit, MI.

Congratulations to Kim Powell, Research Impact Informationist, whose poster in collaboration with Jenny Townes, Open Access Librarian, Emory University, and Fred Rascoe, Scholarly Communication Librarian, Georgia Institute of Technology, received the second place MLA Research Award for Best Poster.
WHSC Library Recent Publications

Congratulations to five librarians who received authorship credits on eight recent systematic review publications.


Congratulations to Award Winner Steve Wilson

Steve Wilson, Web Architect & Outreach Librarian, received the Michael E. DeBakey Librarian Outreach and Community Collaboration Award from the Friends of the National Library of Medicine (FNLM) at the FNLM 2023 Awards Gala on April 4, 2023 in Washington, DC.

The Michael E. DeBakey Medical Librarian Outreach and Community Collaboration Award, for outstanding outreach librarians serving rural or underserved populations, was established in the early 1990s to recognize the contributions to medical education and librarianship by Michael E. DeBakey, MD (1908 – 2008).

A world-renowned American cardiac surgeon, innovator, medical educator, and international medical statesman, Dr. DeBakey worked tirelessly in numerous capacities to improve national and international standards of health care. This award is presented to a practicing health sciences librarian who works in the tradition of the incredible advances and medical innovations of Dr. DeBakey to provide valuable health information to underserved and rural populations.

Wilson coordinates the Center for Disability Resources Library, one of the largest collections in the country focused on intellectual and developmental disabilities. He helps family members of recently diagnosed children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and professionals who work in this field with nationwide access to quality health information.

And the Winner is...

The University of South Carolina School of Medicine Columbia is pleased to announce the winners of the 2023 Memmys student-produced music video contest. For their efforts, these winning schools have earned financial support and a plaque for their health sciences libraries:

- First Place ($1,500): Medical College of Georgia - [https://youtu.be/E7HdonR5f7I](https://youtu.be/E7HdonR5f7I)
- Second Place ($1,000): Duke University School of Medicine - [https://youtu.be/WdgcUId-w9k](https://youtu.be/WdgcUId-w9k)
- Third Place ($500): University of Louisville School of Medicine - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nLCZNhjfUAU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nLCZNhjfUAU)

The University of South Carolina School of Medicine created the Memmys video contest in 2013 as a way for health professions students to express their creativity and showcase their talents beyond academic accomplishments. The national contest is open to any health professions school and the video must have been created within the last two years. For more information on the 2023 Memmys please visit [memmys.org](http://memmys.org)
School of Medicine Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC (cont)

Brain Power
The USC School of Medicine - Columbia Library hosted its bi-annual Brain Power Hours from May 2 - 12 during final exams.

Students took a break from studying and visited the library commons area to enjoy coffee, hot tea, a trail mix station, and games/puzzles.
Announcements

Laura Kane, Assistant Director for Information Services, reached the 30 years milestone in service with the University of South Carolina and the state of South Carolina in 2023.

Congratulations to Laura! Thank you for your service to the Library, to the School of Medicine, to the University, and to the State of South Carolina!

Sherry O'Cain began her duties on June 1 as a Library Specialist in the Access Services Department at the School of Medicine Library.

Sherry is a Columbia native returning home after more than 20 years as a K-12 Library Media Specialist in the SC Lowcountry. She taught in several school districts including Dorchester 2, Dorchester 4, Berkeley, and Richland 1.

She's excited to start this next chapter of her journey and learn more about the world of medical libraries.
Outreach at the Library

The Nursing Professional Development Fair at the University of Tennessee Medical Center provided an excellent opportunity for librarians to show team members what services the library offers within the hospital. Nurses and other healthcare workers were pleased to learn about literature searches, databases, textbooks, and other resources that are available for free to all employees.

Rachel Roberts, Marketing Coordinator, was honored to participate in this year’s Trauma Survivor’s Celebration at UT Medical Center. This event provides a way for former patients of UT Medical Center’s trauma department to come together and discuss their survival and new outlook on life. Rachel was able to speak to several patients and family members about ways in which the library’s Health Information Center could aid in their recovery.

Preston Medical Library celebrated Pride Month with a prominent display at the front of our library with both fiction and nonfiction books.
Faculty Accomplishments

Presentations and Posters at MLA Detroit 2023
- **Lindsay JM.** Exploring Links in the Library Value Chain: Does Collection Use Lead to Scholarly Output? [Poster]
- **Petersen D.** Analyzing Changes in Work-From-Home Policies for Academic Medical and Health Science Librarians. [Paper]
- **Petersen D.** Standardizing a Graduate Assistant’s Medical Library Training: Creating a Strong Foundation for New Librarians. [Poster]
- **Wilson AQ, Grabeel KL.** Forging a Connection Between East Tennessee Rural Communities and Health Information Using Little Free Libraries. [Poster]

**J. Michael Lindsay** participated in MLA’s 2023 Special Programming Committee as co-moderator for “To Merge into the Resource Cost Sharing Lane or Not: Evaluating and Developing an Approach to Resource Sharing,” part of “Shifting into Second Gear: the 2nd Symposium on Collection Development & Resource Sharing.” This session was a great opportunity to hear from leaders on creative cost sharing in libraries such as Susan Kendall of Michigan State University, Joe Swanson of Morehouse School of Medicine, Diane Campagnes from OVID and Evan Simpson of Northwestern University. This also represented greater cooperation between vendors and librarians, as Michael worked with Jen Ostrosky of JoVE to organize and moderate this session.

Published Papers

Additional Achievements
- **J. Michael Lindsay** renewed his Academy of Health Information Professionals membership at Distinguished level.
Jenessa McElfresh Presents at CALM Conference
Jenessa McElfresh, Systematic Review Coordinator and College of Nursing Liaison, presented at the Conference on Academic Library Management (CALM) on June 5. She was part of a presentation titled "You Can't Sit with Us: Navigating Bullying and Incivility in your Library," which covered practical tips to reduce bullying in the academic library workplace setting.

Kaitlyn Ritacca Receives NNLM Region 3 Student Development Award
Congratulations to Sr. Reference Services Specialist Kaitlyn Ritacca for winning a NNLM Student Development Award! This grant will cover her expenses to attend the joint South Central and Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association meeting in September. In addition, she'll get some excellent training from the NNLM and some great training from the National Library of Medicine.

Tamara Nelson Elected to MLA Board of Directors
Tamara Nelson was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Medical Library Association (MLA), where she will serve a three-year term starting in May. MLA membership elects the Board of Directors from a slate of candidates selected and vetted by the MLA Nominating Committee. Congratulations, Tamara! We are so proud of you!

Award Winning Data Visualization
Jess Newman-McDonald and Sarah Newell won an NNLM Data Visualization Award for their work exploring the faculty's research strengths across the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Newman-McDonald said, "I feel that exploring relationships within data can tell so many stories that would otherwise be invisible. Showing the interconnectedness of UTHSC research areas made a strong case for both the breadth of our research output, as well as the unique intersections growing out of collaborations."

Annabelle Holt received the Ysabel Bertolucci MLA Annual Conference Grant to attend MLA’23
Annabelle Holt, College of Dentistry and Nursing Liaison Librarian, received the Ysabel Bertolucci MLA Annual Conference Grant. This $1,000 grant helped cover her expenses for the 2023 MLA Conference. The grant is awarded annually to a librarian involved in nursing, allied health, consumer health, or international librarianship.
MLA Presentations and Posters

- Forging the Future: Building a System to Cultivate a Cohesive and Collaborative Library Team. Lin Wu, Rick Fought, Randall Watts, Jenessa McElfresh, Paul Gahn, Kaitlyn Ritacca
- The Limit Does Not Exist: Leveraging Technology to Engage Learners. Hilary Jasmin, Rachel Whitney, Kayce Gill, Taylor Johnson, Molly Maloney, Jason Reed, Sally Smith
- Making Inroads: Outreach to Pharmacy Residents. Rachel Whitney, Hilary Jasmin
- Professional Competencies, Information Literacy, and You: Leveraging Curriculum Mapping to Advocate for Library Instruction. Laura Menard, Amy Allison, Hilary Jasmin, Erin Reardon, Lorraine Porcello, Julie Schiavo, Abraham Wheeler, Stephanie Swanberg, Laura Zeigen, Heidi Reis
- Planning for Data Services: Researcher Needs and Perspectives on Data Management and Sharing. Jess Newman McDonald, Sarah Newell
- Moving Forward: Supporting New Librarians at MLA through a New Member Toolkit. Steph Hendren, LaTeesa James, Hilary Jasmin, Alessia Zanin-Yost
- Progressing from Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Dialogs to Inclusive Actions: Preliminary Assessment of the Medical Library Association (MLA) Reads Book Club. Don P. Jason, III, Kelsa Bartley, Melissa Desantis, Ryan Harris, Shannon D. Jones, Tamara M. Nelson, Ginny Pannabecker, Dede Rios
- Silly Question Program, Systematic Review Caucus. Megan de Armond, Leila Ledbetter, Tracy Mays, Jenessa McElfresh, Stephanie Roth, Patti McCall Wright
- The MLA Style Guide: Looking Back to Move Forward. Ellen Aaronson, Katie Arnold, Skye Bickett, Jamie Birkner, Michelle Kraft, Jenessa McElfresh, Beverly Murphy
Honor a librarian who has contributed to your professional growth while paying it forward through SCMLA scholarships!

Here’s how:

1. Make a $10 donation per mentor on the SCMLA web site:
   https://southernchaptermla.wildapricot.org/donate,
   Honor a Mentor box

2. Fill in the Qualtrics form linked here:
   https://samford.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0MT38GUWHJSNDT0

Nominations received by Friday, September 8, 2023, will be included in the 2023 Annual Meeting Honor a Mentor slideshow.

All nominations received will be included in the Winter 2024 issue of the Southern Expressions newsletter.

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