

# **Special Libraries Association – Southern Appalachian Chapter**

## **April NewsBrief**

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### **Greetings fellow SLA Southern Appalachian Chapter members!**

The SLA Annual Conference is coming up soon, and many of our chapter members will be there in Seattle this year. For those of you who will be attending, we will be having a get-together at the Ruth's Chris Lounge [721 Pine Street, adjacent to the Convention Center]. We'll meet at 5:30pm on Monday, June 16.

Please stop by for a moment to say hello to your fellow members, and feel free to bring friends and colleagues.

Hope to see you there!

### **Also in Seattle**

Calling all creative conference-goers!

Meet and swap handcrafted scarves at this year's annual conference and you'll be helping a Seattle Charity that provides craft supplies to women in transitional housing!

Knit or crochet a scarf - any style, any color, any fiber - and bring the item to SLA's Annual Conference in Seattle. The "price" for participating in the event is a knitting/crochet related item to donate to the Dorothy Day House in Seattle. The scarf swap meet and greet will take place on Monday at the conference – location TBD. You will leave with a beautiful handcrafted creation, some new friends, AND the glow of helping others.

If you are interested in being part of this inaugural event, please email Debbie Hartzman ([dshnt@yahoo.com](mailto:dshnt@yahoo.com)) or Amy Watson ([amy\\_j\\_watson@yahoo.com](mailto:amy_j_watson@yahoo.com)).

[Download the flyer.](#)

### **Nashville Networking Dinner**

On March 13 Nashville SAC members met at Mambu for a networking dinner. We learned about two exciting events going on in our state.

## 1. Go Local Initiative

Many thanks to Patricia Lee, Assistant Director of Eskind Biomedical Library at Vanderbilt University, who gave a short presentation on the Medical Library Association's "Go Local" initiative. The Go Local initiative is an effort to compile a local directory of healthcare clinics and resources, so that everyone has access to and contact information for the care they need. This initiative will be collaborative effort among many in the community. Patricia and her staff have been hard at work bringing this initiative to fruition. For more information, please contact Patricia Lee at: [Patricia.Lee@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:Patricia.Lee@vanderbilt.edu)

## 2. Nashville Public Library - StoryCorp

StoryCorps was entirely new to some of us in attendance while others were well versed in its use.

StoryCorps is designed to allow anyone to share their life experience through interviews. Many of these can be heard in abridged format at [www.storycorps.net](http://www.storycorps.net). Jennifer Ott will be interviewing her mother this week.

From the NPL website:

On October 6, Nashville Public Library became only the second institution in the nation to host a "StoryBooth," an outpost of StoryCorps, the award-winning national project that encourages Americans to listen to each other by sharing the stories of their lives in sound.

Select interviews gathered at StoryBooths — small freestanding recording studios placed in public spaces across the country — are broadcast on National Public Radio. The interviews also added to the StoryCorps archive at American Folklife Center (AFC) at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., building an oral history of America.

"We are thrilled to have been chosen as a StoryBooth location," said Donna Nicely, director of Nashville Public Library. "This project underscores our library's vision to preserve and share across generations the wisdom, culture and history of our community."

The Nashville StoryBooth is located in the Nashville Room on the second floor of the downtown Main Library, 615 Church St. Interview slots are open to the public by reservation only beginning October 6, 2007. Reservations can be made by visiting [storycorps.net](http://storycorps.net). The library can assist those without computers in making reservations; visit any library branch or call 862-5800.

### **Job Announcement:**

Lincoln Memorial University invites applications for the position of Extended Sites Librarian. The Extended Sites Librarian shall be responsible for coordinating a program of library public services, i.e., virtual and onsite instruction and reference assistance, to Lincoln Memorial University faculty, staff and students at 11 extended sites. In

collaboration with Library Director, serves as a liaison with non-LMU institution libraries where the contracts include access to local library services.

Required qualifications include M.L.S. from an ALA accredited program; at least two years library experience; academic experience preferred; additional subject knowledge or experience relevant to LMU programs of instruction desired; broad knowledge of software or technology used to perform office, administrative and instructional functions such as spreadsheets (Excel), word processing (Word), presentation software (PowerPoint) and instructional software (WebCT for Blackboard) and web page development skills.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest addressing qualifications for the position, a resume, transcripts and list of references to Mrs. Libby King, Director of Human Resources, Lincoln Memorial University, 6965 Cumberland Gap Parkway, Harrogate, TN 37752. Electronic submissions are encouraged to [libby.king@lmunet.edu](mailto:libby.king@lmunet.edu). Interested parties may make initial informational inquiries by contacting Rhonda Armstrong at 423-869-6436 or email at [rhonda.armstrong@lmunet.edu](mailto:rhonda.armstrong@lmunet.edu). However, no applicant may be considered for this position until the above materials are received and reviewed by the Search Committee.

LMU's hiring policies are in accordance with EEO regulations and policies. LMU is committed to diversity and is an equal opportunity employer. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply.

### **Application Information**

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