Chapter News

College of Communication & Information American Library Association Student Chapter

March 2010

http://ala.ci.fsu.edu

ALA 2010 Annual Conference

When: June 24-29, 2010
Where: Washington Convention Center 801 Mount Vernon Place NW, Washington, D.C. 20001
Exhibits open Friday June 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m

Annual Early Bird Registration January 4-March 5, 2010

What is included with your registration?
- Over 300 educational programs covering a variety of hot topics
- Over 20000 committee meetings and events
- Entrance to the exhibits, including the closing reception
- The ALA President’s Program
- The Opening General Session and Closing Session
- The Auditorium Speaker Series

You can register by going to: http://www.ala.org/ala/conferencesevents/upcoming/annual/registration/index.cfm

OR

By going to www.ala.org, clicking on the Conferences & Events tab, and clicking on ALA Annual Conference under Upcoming Events.

Monday June 28, ALA will take advantage of the fortuitous location of the Annual Conference and hold a rally on Capitol Hill where members of Congress and senators will speak to the library group. Afterward, rally-goers will meet with their representatives and senators’ offices to talk about issues in their libraries. States will have banners and participants can carry signs with their library messages. They will shout their message for all to hear!

ALA Student to Staff Program

Speaking of the ALA Annual Conference, every year, 40 library students from around the nation are chosen to assist ALA staff during the conference. In exchange for working four hours a day (or a total of 20 hours), these students receive free conference registration, housing, and a per diem for meal expenses. During free time, they may attend programs and participate in other conference activities. To qualify for the ALA Student-to-Staff Program, a student must be a current ALA member and a student chapter member and cannot have previously participated in the program. Moreover, the student must remain an ALA member through the conference.

Qualifying students are chosen by their schools (e.g. by a random drawing, essay contest, etc.) and the chosen student’s name is submitted to the Chapter Relations Office by the group’s faculty advisor. Only one student is accepted per chapter per year.

This year that student is our very own Janis McKnight. When asked about the upcoming event, Janis said, “They haven’t told us where we will be working yet but we had to answer a questionnaire about which division or office we would like to work with and what kind of skills we could offer that group.” The groups she indicated interest in were ALCTS, ACRL, Office for Information Technology Policy, Office for Intellectual Freedom, and LITA. “I know one of the things I wanted to do was share my experiences with the FSU ALA chapter members when I am at the conference,” says Janis. Look for her tweets and her messages on Facebook to follow Janis throughout the meeting. We congratulate her and wish her luck on her trip in June!
Florida Library Days at the Legislature
February 16 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Capitol, Tallahassee, FL
some highlights from Charlie Parker, FLA Legislative Committee Chair

• We had great access to members, leadership, and staff. Visits were coordinated better than ever
• Meetings with House and Senate TED Chairs, Mike Fasano and Rich Glorioso, were very positive.
• We know we will see proposed reductions but... if we an turn out pressure like last year than we can get the governor, Senate president, and House speaker’s attention. The initial budgets will probably not include non-recurring general revenue but those dollars will be available later in the process. State Aid is in the governor’s budget. MLC funding didn’t make it into the governor’s budget but it is clearly on their radar.
• I heard no reports of legislators or staff suggesting public libraries are not essential services.
• The State Library’s... publication of the new ROI information... [of] $8.32, an eye opening return... [compared to] the film industry [at] $1.
• Human impact stories [like] Lisa Manners’ showed us again... how well [they] work. Lisa’s story [was] about “Gina” who the library helped obtain e-government services, prepare a resume, and find a job.
• Thank You’s- Nothing gets done through FLA without the great work of Faye Roberts and Kelly Green. Debra Sears handled Library day local arrangements with a strong assist from Ruth O’Donnell. FLA VP-President Elect Gloria Colvin worked very hard as well. FLA President Wendy Breeden represented FLA very well. Lisa Manners coordinated teh use of CapWiz, twittered and reported through Facebook. Several FSU Information School students helped staff at the registration table. Judi Ring and the folks at the State Library helped in too many ways to mention. _

Joke of the Month
What do you call a group of librarians?
Answer: A volume

Join the CI ALA Chapter!
• Sign into Blackboard
• Click the Organizations tab
• In the Organization Catalog link on the right hand side, click Student Organization/Other
• In the Name - Contains field, enter ALA Student Chapter
• The ALA Student Chapter should come up as a search result
• Click Enroll

Congratulations!

New LibIT Facebook and Twitter Sites!
• Facebook FSULibIT fan page
• twitter.com/FSULibIT

Some notes from the last chapter meeting
If you missed our last meeting, you missed an engaging discussion about museum studies with Dr. Marty as well as a blood-rushing fencing lesson, courtesy of our Local Events Coordinator, Alex Dudley. Don’t worry, you can still view the webcast of the meeting from our Blackboard site in the meeting archives under Documents. The fencing lesson, however, is only recorded in still life, as you’ll see from the pictures below. _

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Conferences, Conferences, Conferences...

2010 Tallahassee Festival of Books and Writers Conference: “Books Make a Difference”

When: March 19-21
Where: FSU Turnbull Conference Center
March 20th—An FSU Friends of Libraries Used Book Sale will take place during the event. It will be staffed in part by SLIS Goldstein Library Director Pam Doffek, CCI Communications Director Audrey Post, nine members of the SLIS ALA Student chapter, and Dr. Wiegand. All proceeds will go FSU Libraries, including the Goldstein Library.
March 21st—Optional Novel Writing Workshop with New York Agent, Donald Maass, author of The Fire in Fiction Learn about both the Writers Conference and the Festival of Books at the Tallahassee Writers Association Web site: http://twaonline.org/index.html
Or
www.tallahasseewriters.net

FLA Annual Conference
When: April 7-9
Where: Rosen Plaza Hotel, 9700 International Drive, Orlando, FL
During FLA conference hours, you can visit the FSU booth, #407
Booth hours:
Wednesday, April 7: 5:15 p.m.—6:30 p.m. (then the SLIS reception)
Thursday, April 8: 10:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Friday, April 9: 8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
We are looking forward to seeing you there.
You can now RSVP for the FSU School of Library & Information Studies reception at the 2010 Florida Library Association (FLA) Annual Conference <http://slis.fsu.edu/RSVP>. Let them know how many guests you are bringing. Open to alumni, students, and friends.
FSU-SLIS at FLA Reception: Wednesday, April 7, 6:30–8:00 p.m., Rosen Plaza Hotel, Salon 14
Volunteers Needed for FLA!
Wednesday, April 7, 5 PM - 7 PM
Thursday, April 8, 9 AM - 11 AM and 3 PM - 5 PM
Friday, April 9, 7:30 AM - 9 AM
Choose one or more time slots and email your name and contact information to Ruth Wiley at ruthe.wiley@gmail.com

Atlanta Emerging Librarians and Special Library Association (Georgia chapter) library marketing event

When: Saturday, March 13, 2010
Where: Chamblee Branch Library, DeKalb County System, 4115 Clairmont Road, Chamblee, GA
Dr. Koontz will be there to speak about the importance of marketing library services and how to plan effective promotional strategies (3:00-5 p.m.).

Public Library Association 2010 Public Library Conference
When: March 23-27
Where: Portland, Oregon at the Oregon Convention Center
Dr. Christie Koontz, representing FSU SLIS, will be at booth T12 joined by student Nora Barnett, who lives in Oregon.
For more information, go to: http://www.placonference.org//general_information.cfm

Newsletter items and ideas are welcome! Please e-mail Daniela Hudson, dmh07d@fsu.