STATE LIBRARY REPORT

Reference Services

Renee E. McHenry began her employment as Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Librarian on October 15, 2012. She replaces AJ Million. The Missouri State Library (MOSL) houses the MoDOT Library and offers space to the transportation librarian to deliver information to MoDOT employees. The partnership between MoDOT and MOSL began in 2006 and makes MoDOT materials available through MOBIUS.

Wolfner Library

Wolfner Library Strategic Plan
The Avant Marketing Group has concluded it's preliminary research for the strategic planning process Wolfner is following. Avant used the following methodology in developing a strategic plan outline for Wolfner:
•One-on-one interviews with library staff
•Mail survey to a random sample of Wolfner patrons
•One-on-one interviews with Wolfner Advisory Council members
•Desktop research in regard to population trends, disability demographics and general information

The results of this information gathering show that Wolfner Library receives extremely high performance ratings from patrons. Specifically, the Library receives an "Excellent" rating from 75% of survey respondents, a "Good" rating from another 20.5% and only 1.1% provided a "Poor" rating.

In terms of performance attributes, the Library scores relatively high in all categories. The lowest scoring attributes include "Ease of Selecting Titles, Book Titles Available, and Variety of Titles."

Wolfner will begin working on the new plan in earnest when the two vacant staff positions are filled.

Library Development

State Aid
The FY2013 state aid appropriation was reduced by $100,000 to $3,504,001. A total of $2,725,263 will be paid out at $.50 per capita to the 164 qualifying public libraries in two payments. The first payment was made October 22, 2012 with the second due in spring 2013.

REAL Program
The REAL Program MOU was signed by all parties on August 6, 2012. Due to a change in the fee structure, increased funding is available for bandwidth upgrades in FY 2013.

OCLC Resource Sharing
OCLC has announced that it is shifting the interlibrary loan transaction functionality from FirstSearch to WorldCat Resource Sharing. This shift will require re-training of library staff, and the State Library is working with OCLC to facilitate training.

E-Rate
The Form 471 filing window will open on December 12, 2012 for state FY13 and close on March 14, 2013. The window will be open for filing Form 471 and Item 21 attachments for 93 days.

For FY12 - All funding commitments have been received but one. The amount requested was $2,082,281.79, awarded was $1,588,242.24, and funds already returned to Missouri public libraries for this funding year have totaled $36,121.52.

Summer Reading Program
The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) 2013 program manuals for three programs were distributed to public libraries in October 2012. The mailing included a copy of the *"Dig into Reading"* children's program manual, *"Beneath the Surface"* teen program manual, *"Groundbreaking Reads"* adult program manual and DVDs of the manual contents and program artwork for 2013.

The Collaborative will be sponsoring half-off shipping on all Upstart catalog orders shipped to member libraries again this year. The vouchers for public libraries to purchase items from the Upstart catalog have been transitioned into a grant. 138 grants were sent out to qualifying public libraries in October 2012.

The Missouri State Library will provide the CSLP materials in the form of DVDs to qualifying school libraries. These materials may be used in cooperation with the local public library or independently where necessary.

Training and Continuing Education
A series of webinars on e-books presented in partnership with the MOBIUS Consortium ended in September. The webinars included a series of sessions with vendors of e-books, a keynote with Joan Frye Williams, and on collection development and creating local collections. The series drew over 300 participants from public and academic libraries in the state.

Ann Roberts, CE Consultant, attended the national CE Forum in Seattle, WA, in August. The Forum is a meeting of CE coordinators from all of the states and provides an overview of CE programs nationwide. This forum focused on leadership training, digital literacy initiatives including Connect2Compete, and envisioning the future of libraries.

Library Skills Institutes

Summer Library Skills Institute took place August 7-9, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Columbia, Missouri. Institute provides an opportunity for public library staff members who do not have an advanced degree in library/information science to learn the basics of librarianship or to update their library skills.

Institute offers a Basic Library Skills course and two Advanced Library Skills courses. The courses in the Advanced Library Skills series offered during Summer Institute were Library Services to Seniors, and Library Management and Administration. A Technology Institute on Project Management ran concurrently with Summer Institute. There were 90 total participants at Summer Institute.

Plans for the Winter Institute are underway. Winter Institute will take place February 26-28 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Columbia. Advanced courses include children's services and collection development.

Summer Reading Program Workshops

The 2013 Summer Reading Program Workshops will be held in March 2013. There will be six workshops total over the course of two weeks. The format this year will be an all-day inclusive workshop focusing on children's and teen summer reading programming. Jessie Alexander-East and Chelsea Estes, both of Springfield-Greene County Library, have agreed to present.

Early Literacy Workshops

Five (5) regional sessions were held in Poplar Bluff, Independence, Springfield, St Charles, and Columbia during September 10-12 and 20-21, 2012.

Youth Services Webinar Series

The Youth Services Webinar Series began in August 2012. The webinars are: Health Information Resources for Children and Teens-August, Summer Reading Program 101-October, Partners in Community-November. The webinar in December will be about Family Literacy programming for libraries.

Technology Training and Presentations

At the MOREnet M3 Technology Conference, Kristen Morrow of DESE and Jean Morrison presented on the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and related state and federal laws.

Kyle Constant, Ron Eifert and Jean Morrison also gave a presentation on "Learning to eRead-A Simple Approach to eReader Training."

Missouri Center for the Book
Members of the Center for the Book board served on the selection committee for the Poet Laureate. William Trowbridge was chosen as Missouri's third Poet Laureate. Trowbridge, a native of Lee's Summit, is a distinguished university professor emeritus at Northwest Missouri State University. His appointment will run for two years. During his term, he will present and lecture on poetry to schools, community, and civic groups throughout the state.

Two board members participated in the National Book Festival, held in Washington, DC in September.

The Missouri Center for the Book and the Mercantile Library at the University of Missouri, St. Louis, hosted a special program and brunch on Sunday, October 21 at the Mercantile. The program featured specialists from three St. Louis rare book libraries. The program was part of a greater exhibit, funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, featuring rare and fine printing from the 15th through 21st centuries.

Fiscal Year 2012 Public Library Survey
The collection of statistical reports from tax-supported public libraries in the state via the FY2012 Public Library Survey has begun. The Missouri-specific questions on the survey have been adapted to the goals in and programs planned for the new LSTA 5-year plan. Questions have also been added to gather more specific data on library directors' salaries and benefits, as well as on voted, board-set and collected tax rates due to demand in the state for comparisons of these variables.

LSTA Program Changes
Due to a recent policy change regarding LSTA funds, all competitive grants must now report exact costs on all documents. Final grant payments will be issued to exact figures instead of rounded.

LSTA FY2012
In the July 2012 short term grant call a total of twenty applications requesting $124,466 were received. Eighteen grant awards were issued for a total of $107,921.

Summer Library Program grant applications were due November 15, 2012. Short term grant application calls for Technology Mini Grant and eReader Exploration grants are due January 7, 2013. Long term grant application calls for Digital Imaging, Spotlight on Literacy, Technology Ladder, and Website Makeover grant applications are due February 1, 2013.

LSTA FY2008-2012 Evaluation
The State Library received an LSTA FY2008-2012 Evaluation acknowledgement letter dated August 13, 2012 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). No changes or additional information requested.

LSTA FY2013-2017 Plan
IMLS requested minor revisions of our LSTA FY2013-2017 Plan on September 18, 2012 to clarify we would use subgrants as a method of meeting plan goals and only use LSTA funds to promote LSTA-funded projects. The Plan was approved as revised as notified via a letter dated September 24, 2012. Because the Plan was written very broadly to allow for flexibility, Library Development staff is now working to solidify the vision for each identified strategy and develop concrete steps to achieving plan goals.