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- 10/31 Business Manager, Salem, OR
- 10/26 Book Profile Editor, Lake Oswego, OR
- 12/28 Portland Operations Librarian, Klamath Falls, OR
- 10/31 Information Systems Coordinator, Salem, OR
- 10/15 Science Librarian, Corvallis, OR

- 12/21 Library Deputy Director, Portland, OR
- 12/21 Librarian, Douglas County, OR
- 10/8 Youth Librarian (PT), Pendleton, OR
- 12/21 Substitute Librarian, Portland, OR
- 12/14 Secondary Research Analyst, Corvallis, OR
- 11/27 Head of Public Access Services, Portland, OR
- 11/27 Customer Services Manager, Portland, OR
- 11/10 Librarian, Portland, OR
- 10/20 On-call Substitute Librarian, Monmouth, OR
- 12/31 Library Director, Veneta, OR

CALENDAR

Association News

President's Charge

Keep Keeping Up; Renewing Ourselves

The charge this year is for Oregon libraries and librarians to continue the good work that we are doing to keep keeping up and to renew ourselves.

This theme is reflection on the imperatives before us. We have been, as a profession and in our institutions, in the current of change. We have jumped on opportunities to maximize our resources and improve library services and collections through collaboration, resource sharing and technological innovation. We operate in the context of our mission to promote lifelong learning and democracy and are guided by our values of universal literacy, the primacy of reading, preservation of information, information access, privacy rights and intellectual freedom.

What OLA members should be doing in the coming year is what we are already doing (the keep keeping up part) and then some (the renewing ourselves part). Throughout this organization our members are involved in implementing technological innovation and re-envisioning services with an eye to library users habits and preferences. As library professionals and staff we are continually upgrading our skills. These efforts must continue, hopefully aided by some of the ideas surfaced in Vision 2010 E-Services Think Tank which was held in March. (More about this in a minute.) However, despite our successes in keeping up technologically, we are still popularly perceived as entities that are primarily about information stored in books. And if that remains the case, I think that we may not be sustainable over time. Our number one job has to be telling our story to our friends, our neighbors, our non-library-using population, our legislators, our local politicians, our local administrators; in short, to everyone who isn't already

a library advocate. I challenge every single OLA member to write at least one more letter and make one more phone call than you did last year in your efforts to promote your library or share your thoughts on an issue of importance. That's one part of renewing ourselves.

The other has to do with internal renewal. How do you keep yourself motivated to take this on and how to you motivate your colleagues and your division, committee, and round table members to do the same? I'm leaving this as a question, because I think we have to ask it and come up with answers that resonate personally and in our organizational contexts. I look forward to lots of discussion around this question in the coming year.

The annual leadership retreat at the end of July focused on these charges and began some interesting discussions. Division, committee and round table chairs devoted a morning to reviewing the work of the E-Services Think Tank and entertaining the questions "Where can you take the think tank ideas?" and "Where can you plug into advocacy efforts?"

The core issues/initiatives that came out of the think tank were:

- An examination of current OLA standards in regards to core electronic services, digital initiatives, and requirements for RFP's
- A statewide open source catalog / integrated library system / universal discovery tool that promotes a consistent experience
- Social Software for Libraries
- A statewide standard which requires a minimal level of online services at all libraries

Finally in anticipation of the work of the coming year, I have seen an early program draft of the OLA/WLA joint conference coming up in April. Organized around the theme, Sharing More Than A Border, many programs feature personal and professional renewal and technological innovation.

Sarah Beasley, OLA President 2007-2008

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Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week is September 29th - October 6th!

Are you looking for titles of books and movies that were challenged in Oregon last year? Check out the Oregon Intellectual Freedom Clearinghouse's 2007 Annual Report at:

<http://oregon.gov/OSL/LD/intellectual.shtml#Publications>

Do you want to find out what other titles have been challenged in Oregon in

the past? Check out the updated Title Index to Challenges at:
<http://oregon.gov/OSL/LD/intellectual.shtml#Publications>

Please notice that none of the libraries that reported challenges this year are identified in either document. In response to feedback from the library community and based on recommendations from ALA's Office of Intellectual Freedom and OLA's Intellectual Freedom Committee any information identifying libraries where challenges occurred was not published this year and will not be published in the future. Past entries in the Title Index to Challenges have not been altered so they still identify libraries where challenges occurred, but the 2007 entries do not include library names and will not in the future.

As you are preparing for Banned Books Week, keep in mind that it is important to report formal challenges to material at your library to the OIFC throughout the year. Your reports are compiled to create annual reports and update the Title Index to Challenges. This information is used to educate people about the challenges to library material in Oregon, and to provide information librarians need to better deal with challenges when they occur at their library.

To learn more about intellectual freedom, censorship, and banned books I've included a bibliography of books on these issues that you can check out from the State Library or you can visit the OIFC website at <http://oregon.gov/OSL/LD/intellectual.shtml>.

To check books out from the State Library use your libraries established ILL procedures or fax the Oregon State Library's document delivery department at 503-588-7119. When faxing be sure to include your name, shipping address, phone number, and the title, author, and publishing information of the book.

Katie Anderson, katie.anderson@state.or.us

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OLA SSD Elections Results

I am happy to announce the results of our recent election. Cathy Zraggen from Deschutes Public Library/Sunriver Area Library has been elected as the Vice Chair/Chair-Elect and will be chairing the 2008 SSD Conference which will be held at the Best Western Agate Beach Inn in Newport, Oregon. Jan Griffin from the Eugene Public Library has been re-elected to serve as the Treasurer of SSD for two more years. Susan Gilmont from Oregon State University's Hatfield Marine Science Center has been elected as the Archivist. SSD is very fortunate to have such talented people who are

willing to devote their time and energy to the organization.

There are several committees in [SSD](#) looking for new members. Please email me if you are interested or would like additional information on the opportunities available.

Suzanne Sager, Past SSD Chair, sagers@pdx.edu

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NW Central

Share your skills! Share your wealth of experience!

We all know the old adage about what happens when you teach a man to fish. What happens when you teach a librarian to write a grant? Or create dynamic web pages? Or give book talks to middle schoolers? Whatever you teach a librarian will soon translate into service to our library users.

What expertise do you have to share with the library community? Most of us have some skills that other library staff members need also. Can you set up a blog or RSS feed? Handle an angry patron? Manage a budget deftly? Captivate an audience of preschoolers? Scores of different skills are needed to make our libraries hum, and we all benefit when we teach each other what we know.

Northwest Central (<http://nwcentral.org/>) provides a forum for sharing your skills and expertise. Post your handouts, forms, bibliographies, links, tutorials and presentations to the site. Others who need this information can find it by browsing by topic or searching by keyword.

Are you willing to speak on a topic? Check out Northwest Central's Speaker's Bureau (http://nwcentral.org/?q=speakers_bureau). The intrepid librarians listed there are willing to speak on range of topics vital to our profession. Some charge a fee, and others don't. Do you wish that more speakers were listed there representing a more comprehensive range of topics? You can make that happen – join Northwest Central and share your skills today!

Northwest Central is a community-driven project, so its potential is as rich as the community that supports it. Imagine this: a librarian in a small public library needs to set up a blog (or train her staff on privacy issues, or market a new service, etc.) With one quick visit to NW Central, she finds another librarian in her own community with expertise to share. Connections like this empower us all.

Questions or comments about Northwest Central? Send them to

admin@nwcentral.org. And thanks to everyone for sharing your skills!

Please excuse duplication of this message. Thanks everyone!

Mo Cole, NW Central

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Happenings

LEO Receives Grant

The nonprofit Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO) has been awarded \$364,000 in grant funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services for its project called "A Sense of Place", which will bring a range of themed programs in the arts, sciences and humanities to rural communities in the region in 2008 and 2009. The project will serve 15 as-yet-unspecified libraries in the region each year. Project partners include The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, Oregon Council for the Humanities, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Portland State University and others.

Governed by a 13-member board comprised mostly of librarians, LEO serves public libraries in 14 Eastern Oregon counties and has a mission to create and deliver opportunities for 21st century library services.

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<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=328653886834>

For examples of past presentations or more information, see:

<http://www.ous.edu/onlinenw/>

WHERE IS THE CONFERENCE? CH2M Hill Alumni Center, Corvallis, Oregon (on the Oregon State University campus)

Todd Hannon, hannont@ohsu.edu

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Intro to GIS

Mapping Oregon Communities: An Introduction to GIS & Community Analysis

October 11th and 12th, 2007 - Portland, Oregon

Audience: Beginners, anyone interested in mapping their community
Focus: This workshop is customized for each location.

This hands-on workshop focuses on teaching the fundamentals of using a Geographic Information System (GIS) for community analysis. Participants will learn to create thematic maps with Census data, Geocoding (Address mapping) and Spatial Queries. Other features of the workshop are learning to extract Census data and good map layout and design.

For a detailed description of the Oregon workshops, please visit <http://www.urban-research.info/workshops/oregon-gis.htm>

Workshop Host: New Urban Research, a national professional research organization and ESRI Business Partner.

Gina Clemmer, New Urban Research, Inc., 877.241.6576

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PubMed Class

PubMed & Beyond - Using National Library of Medicine Electronic Resources.

Friday, November 9, 2007, 1:00 - 4:30 pm Portland Community College
Rock Creek Campus Library, Room 213
17705 NW Springville Rd.
Portland, OR 97229
For directions and parking information, see <http://www.pcc.edu/about/locations/rock-creek/>

Workshop Description: PubMed is a service of the U.S. National Library of Medicine that includes over 17 million citations from MEDLINE and other life science journals for biomedical articles back to the 1950s. Learn to search this valuable resource in a hands-on workshop taught by OHSU's Andrew Hamilton. Topics covered include

- *basic and advanced search techniques using natural language, including how PubMed parses natural language queries into MeSH terms, journal titles, and author names
- *the usage of basic navigational and display features
- *the Related Articles feature
- *search limit options
- *the Single Citation Matcher
- *the PubMed MeSH Browser

- *linking out to Molecular Biology data and Full Text resources
- *saving search strategies via My NCBI
- *searching techniques using field tags and Boolean operators.

The second portion of the workshop will demonstrate other free online resources offered by NLM, including Entrez, MedlinePlus, TOXNET, Clinicaltrials.gov, and digitized historical resources.

Presenter: Andrew Hamilton is a Senior Reference & Instruction Librarian at the Oregon Health & Science University Library. Prior to joining the OHSU Library staff in 2002, he was an Online Analyst for six years with the National Training Center & Clearinghouse (NTCC) at the Middle Atlantic Regional Medical Library, where his primary duty was to travel the U.S. and teach PubMed. He has also spent three years as a Clinical Medicine Information Specialist in the Reference Department of the New York Academy of Medicine Library. Andrew has earned two BS degrees in Microbiology and Biology/Genetics from Oregon State University and earned his MLS degree as part of a Drug Information Specialist Double Master's Program, graduating from St. John's University with a dual MS - Pharmaceutical Sciences/MLS degree.

Cost: Student/retiree rate: \$25.00; PORTALS member rate: \$35.00; non-member rate: \$45.00

Registration: Register for the workshop at <http://www.portals.org>

Roberta Richards, PORTALS Coordinator, rrichard@pcc.edu

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ACRL Webcast

ACRL is offering its Webcast, "Practical Strategies for Building a Library 2.0 Game Plan," on October 23, 2007. Registration is open!

Time: 11:00 a.m. Pacific, 12:00 p.m. Mountain, 1:00 p.m. Central, 2:00 p.m. Eastern
Length: 1.5 hours

Web 2.0 has quickly given rise to Library 2.0: a comprehensive focus on new, interactive uses of information resources, the Web and physical space. But where to begin? ACRL Webcaster Terry Huwe will provide some effective starting point strategies. During this 1.5 hour Webcast, learn more about Library 2.0 strategies that focus on both technological and interpersonal skills.

REGISTRATION

Registration is limited to 60. ACRL and ALA members receive a registration discount. For complete information, including more details about the Webcast and a link to registration, go to:

www.acrl.org/ala/acrl/acrlproftools/lib20.cfm.

ACRL member: \$50; ALA member: \$75; Nonmember: \$90; Student: \$40; Group: \$295

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L-Net Trainings

Introductory trainings on L-net, Oregon's Statewide Digital Reference Project, are scheduled for:

Wednesday, October 17 and Wednesday, October 24, 9:00 - 2:30 both days
Western Oregon University Library, 345 N. Monmouth Ave., Monmouth,
OR 97361 and Friday, November 9 and Friday, November 16, 9:00 - 2:30
both days Portland Community College, Sylvania Campus Library 12000
S.W. 49th Avenue Portland, OR 97219

The training is for librarians who plan to take shifts staffing L-net at partner libraries. Librarians will receive hands-on training with L-net's chat software, e-mail software, and instruction on techniques for communicating effectively online with patrons and providing reference services online. Training is a two-day event. Attendance at both days is required to staff the service; day two builds upon the training provided on day one.

These trainings are also open to librarians who would like to apply to participate in our volunteer program, typically staffing the service from home computers.

The training is free, but space is limited and advance registration is required. If you would like to attend, contact Emily Papagni,
emilyp@multcolib.org

If you're interested in the training, but unable to attend on these dates, please contact me. I'm continuing to schedule additional trainings around the state.

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Rural Libraries as Place

Bringing people together at the library: Rural Libraries as Place October 25, 2007, from 11:00a - 12:00p

More and more people are accessing information and resources from home and work computers. Does that mean the physical library will go away? NO WAY! In this session we will talk about the evolving role of the physical library space. We will highlight innovative and interesting rural library examples. With guest presenter Cindi Hickey, Continuing Education Librarian and WebJunction Coordinator for the State Library of Kansas.

The cost is FREE and no registration is required. However, if you have not recently attended a WebJunction live webinar, then you will want to read about how to join the webinar IN ADVANCE of the webinar starting time here: <http://webjunction.org/do/DisplayContent?id=13377>

Darci Hanning

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Project Management Class

Controlling Project Chaos: Project Management for Library Staff

Friday, October 12, 2007, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Portland Community College, Sylvania Campus Library, Room 112
12000 SW 49th Ave., Portland, OR 97219
For directions and parking information, see
<http://www.pcc.edu/about/locations/sylvania/>

Workshop Description: Do you find that you're doing more project work in your library? Do you have trouble getting a project started? Do your small projects seem to grow into large projects? Do you have difficulty meeting project deadlines? Do your projects never seem to end?

These are all problems facing librarians today, as we are increasingly expected to manage projects in addition to our everyday responsibilities. The need for library staff to have project management skills so we can deftly navigate the growing demands of our profession is the topic of an article by Jane Kinkus in the July 2007 issue of *College & Research Libraries*, "Project Management Skills: A Literature Review and Content Analysis of Librarian Position Announcements." This workshop will provide an introduction to project management concepts and show how you can apply them to your library projects.

Presenter: Lori Wamsley is a part-time reference librarian at Portland Community College and the assistant director for Emporia State University's School of Library and Information Management (SLIM) Oregon distance education program. Ms. Wamsley is also an adjunct faculty member for SLIM, teaching project management and technology skills courses. Ms. Wamsley holds both a Master of Library Science degree and a

Master of Science degree in Instructional Design and Technology from Emporia State University. She received a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Portland.

Cost: Student/retiree rate: \$25.00; PORTALS member rate: \$35.00; non-member rate: \$45.00

Registration: Register for the workshop at <http://www.portals.org>

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BCR Training

BCR's Soaring to Excellence for 2007-2008 series, Mapping the Library Landscape: Every Library Worker a Trendspotter, will begin in October 2007. The following webcasts are being made available free of charge to staff from Oregon libraries through a statewide membership to BCR, paid for by the Oregon State Library with LSTA funds:

October 26, 2007: Finding the Trends That Matter: Get Your Environmental Scan On

February 8, 2008: People Watching With a Purpose: Meeting Needs Before They Need It

April 11, 2008: Trends, Fads or Folly: Spotting the Library Trends That Really Matter

The schedule for Library Challenges and Opportunities 2008 is: March 7, 2008: Library Trends; May 9, 2008: The Future Library

[Register online](#) for the satellite downlink or the webcast by completing BCR's online registration form.

Libraries may downlink the satellite coordinates to the five College of DuPage teleconference programs for on-site viewing, or staff may view the teleconferences via webcast from any location with adequate Internet access. The webcasts, also available at no charge to libraries, will be archived and available for 30 days following the live broadcast. Libraries may order tapes or DVDs of the broadcasts for their collections for \$30 each. Please contact BCR's Regan Harper rharper@bcr.org for ordering information. The Oregon State Library will be adding the DVDs to our LIS collection and will announce their availability via Libs-OR, our LIS Blog, and our website.

These webcasts are staff development opportunities in the best sense of the term! They give staff a solid framework for problem-solving in today's complex library environment and they are cost-effective ways for staff to

stay current and informed on libraries' use of technology. You and your staff can maximize these opportunities by bringing a group of interested staff together to watch; organize discussions about the impact of the shows' content on your library; call, fax, or email questions to the panelists during the program - it's interactive! and follow up with a discussions on what next steps your library can take.

DVD recordings for the 2006-2007 series are now available via ILL from the Oregon State Library -- please use your library's established interlibrary loan process or you may fax your request to the State Library document delivery department at 503-588-7119 with complete request information from our online catalog.

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Basic Book Repair

Description: <http://www.bcr.org/training/workshops/bookrepair-1.html>

This two-day course is designed to provide information and hands-on experience in basic book and paper repair for general (non-rare) library collections. Participants learn about treatment decisions, repair options and supplies. They will practice a variety of repair techniques in the supervised, hands-on portions of the workshop. Topics and techniques covered include:

- *Surface cleaning and paper repair.
- *Attaching loose pages.
- *Book structure.
- *Paperback reinforcement.
- *Endsheet replacement.
- *Enclosures.
- *Workflow.
- *Selecting supplies and equipment.

Site & Date: Siuslaw Public Library - Florence (Oregon) October 18-19, 2007

Time: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day (Lunch on your own.)

Fee: \$300 for BCR members; \$400 for nonmembers

Voucher: BCR training vouchers may not be used for this workshop!

Amigos Instructor: TBA

BCR Registration Form:

<http://www.bcr.org/training/workshops/register.html>

About BCR: <http://www.bcr.org/about/index.html>

Bobbi Navarro

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InfoCamp 2007

All Pacific Northwest librarians, catalogers, information architects, user experience designers, usability engineers, information scientists, technical writers and professionals or students interested in user-centered information and design issues are invited to InfoCamp 2007!

What: InfoCamp Seattle 2007

Theme: Cross-pollinating the information ecosystem

When: October 13-14, 2007, 9am-6pm

Where: Youngstown Cultural Arts Center, 4408 Delridge Way SW, Seattle, WA

Web: <http://asistpnw.org/infocamp2007>

Cost: Free for ASIS&T or IAI members. Free for students. \$20 otherwise.

InfoCamp Seattle 2007 will be a collaborative BarCamp-style* unconference, organized by the Pacific Northwest Chapter and the UW Student Chapter of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T).

Join us for two days of workshops, roundtable discussions, technology demos, and social networking sessions. This is the Web 2.0 of conferences the session content will be decided entirely by YOU, so bring a topic of debate, a project to show off, a design for feedback, or any other idea to share with your professional community!

Registration is now open: <http://asistpnw.org/infocamp2007>

* What's a BarCamp? See <http://www.barcamp.org> or <http://barcamp.org/InfoCamp+Seattle+2007> or <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/BarCamp>

Hope to see you there!

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Cool Ideas

Washington Statewide Cataloging Project

Washington state has plans to initiate a statewide catalog project. For those

of you like me that may not have already heard about this project, WA state library has an LSTA grant to explore a statewide catalog, using OCLC group services:

http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/projects/statewide_catalog.aspx

There's also an OCLC web page with links to other OCLC group service-based catalogs (mostly statewide catalogs), at:

<http://www.oclc.org/groupservices/access/>

Several other states have already started their own statewide catalog projects like Alaska and Montana (see here for a longer list:

<http://www.oclc.org/groupservices/access/>). Georgia has even started their own open source library catalog, called Evergreen, which is being used by many public libraries across Georgia. Read here for more information:

<http://www.open-ils.org/>

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