

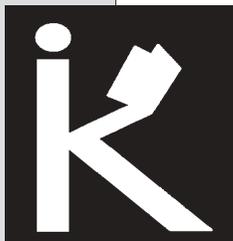
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## *LSTA 5 year evaluation, 5 year plan*

—by Roy Bird  
Library Consultant

After months of work by State Library staff and SLIM consultants, as well as regular discussion by the State Library Advisory Commission and the LSTA Advisory Council, the evaluation of the past five years of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) in Kansas and the 5 Year Plan for the next period were presented in draft form. On Friday, February 22, 2002, the Commission and Council considered the initial drafts of both documents, offering suggestions, recommendations, corrections, changes and observations.

The 5 Year Evaluation examines the role federal funding through LSTA has played and how it has impacted library services in Kansas during the first five years of LSTA. The 5 Year Plan will guide implementation of federal funding through LSTA for the years 2003-2007.

As quickly as revisions of these documents are made after the joint meeting of the Commission and Council, the evaluation and the 5 Year Plan will be placed on Blue Skyways for comment from the Kansas library community. Additionally, a feedback session will be conducted at Tri-Conference on Wednesday,

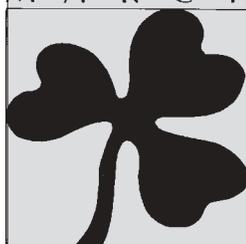
April 3, at 2:45 p.m. in Room 201A at Century II, Wichita, to solicit public comment from libraries of all types.

If you would like further information about the LSTA 5 Year Evaluation or the LSTA 5 Year Plan 2003-2007, contact Roy Bird, Kansas State Library, 800/432-3919.

## *Tri-Conference in Wichita*

Tri-Conference 2002 is scheduled to take place from April 3-5 at the Century II Convention Center in Wichita, Kansas. The Kansas Library Association, Kansas Association of School Librarians, and the Kansas Association for Educational Communications and Technology co-sponsor the annual event. More information is available on Blue Skyways at <http://skyways.lib.ks.us/tricon/2002/>. A registration form is also available online at [http://skyways.lib.ks.us/tricon/2002/registration\\_2002.pdf](http://skyways.lib.ks.us/tricon/2002/registration_2002.pdf) (requires Adobe Acrobat Reader to view and print).

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## *LVA-IL state conference*

—by *Vikki Jo Stewart*  
Literacy Program Director

Vikki Jo Stewart, Literacy Program Coordinator, Kansas State Library, gave the Keynote to open the Literacy Volunteers of America (LVA) - Illinois State Conference Wednesday, February 13, 2002, at the Chicago Athletic Club in Chicago. The theme was "Focus on the Future" and was a two-day conference for adult and family literacy programs. LVA-IL was the conference sponsor with the Center for Literacy and the University of Illinois at Chicago as Program Partners.

Vikki Jo began her third term as Chair of the National Board of Directors for Literacy Volunteers of America last October in Albuquerque, NM at LVA's national conference.

Vikki introduced Robert Wedgeworth, President of Laubach Literacy International (LLI) and the two held a question and answer session regarding the upcoming merger between LVA and LLI. LVA is in the process of a merger with Laubach Literacy International to form a new national organization -- ProLiteracy Worldwide. The two national organizations will hold a joint conference in San Diego, CA May 29 - June 1, 2002 at the Town and Country Resort and Convention Center. For more information on the upcoming conference, please check the following websites: <http://www.laubach.org> or <http://www.literacyvolunteers.org>.

## *Attorney General Opinions website*

Washburn Law Library, in cooperation with the Kansas Attorney General's Office, now hosts a web site at <http://www.kscourts.org/ksag/> containing the full text of current and retrospective Kansas Attorney General Opinions. The web site covers 1998 to present, and new Opinions are added when released. Opinions from 1993-1997 are in process.

While accessible by number, Opinions may also be searched by date, requestor, or keywords in the topic, synopsis, or full text. The Attorney General Opinions may also be accessed through WashLaw at <http://www.washlaw.edu>.

Webmaster for the site is Martin Wisneski, Assistant Library Director and Head of Technical Services.

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NOTES

—by Eric Hansen  
Executive Director

The Network Board strategic plan process is now underway. A survey questionnaire will be sent out in March and focus group discussions will begin.

Minutes from the meeting of the Network Board in Topeka on February 7 are available on Blue Skyways at <http://www.skyways.org/KSL/KLNB/KLNB0202.html> for your review.

Remember, the deadline for Interlibrary Loan Competitive Grant applications is March 29. For detailed information about the ILDP see <http://www.skyways.org/KSL/KLNB/ildp.html>. For a grant application form, point your Web browser to <http://skyways.lib.ks.us/KSL/KLNB/ildpapp03.htm>. If you would like to receive an application by mail or fax, call me at 800/432-3919 or 785/296-3875, or send e-mail to me at [eric@ink.org](mailto:eric@ink.org).



As part of its participation in the IMLS-funded Western Trails Project, the Network Board cosponsored an Introduction to Digitization workshop in Dodge City with the Southwest Kansas Library

System and Dodge City Public Library on February 18. Thirty-six attended the workshop and evaluations indicate that there was a very high level of satisfaction with the information presented by Liz Bishoff of the Colorado Digitization Project.

As the next step in training for Kansas participants in the Western Trails Project, the Network Board will sponsor a 2-day metadata and scanning workshop at the Salina Public Library on April 15 and 16. As with the February workshop above, the workshops will be open to anyone

affiliated with a Kansas archive, historical society, library or museum with an interest in digitization.



Marc Galbraith and Liz Bishoff at  
Introduction to Digitization workshop

There will be no charge to attend, but registration will be required. The presenter for the metadata workshop on day 1 will be Bill Garrison, Head of the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries Cataloging Department. Jennifer Kutzik of the Colorado State University Libraries will present the scanning workshop on day 2. See Blue Skyways (<http://www.skyways.org/KSL/KLNB/westertrails.html>) for a registration form and more details.



IMLS is a federal grant-making agency located in Washington, D.C. that fosters leadership, innovation and a lifetime of learning by supporting museums and libraries.

For information about the Network Board, contact Eric Hansen, KLN Board Executive Director, at 785/296-3875 ([eric@ink.org](mailto:eric@ink.org)).

## *Future move planned for Council Grove Public Library*

—by Anne Teghtmeyer  
Director, Council Grove Public Library

The Council Grove City Council voted February 19, 2002 to purchase the Russell Stover building, former IGA grocery store, to serve as the new location for the public library. The building will have 2,010 more square feet than the present Carnegie building.

The layout of the building is in question. The back area is unfinished presently and will have to be used if the library is to gain anything by the move. There is a finished meeting room and a very small office area that will serve as the library staff/workroom. There are men's and women's handicap-accessible restrooms and a very "user unfriendly" basement.

The library director is working to obtain estimates on new shelving and a suitable floor plan. The North Central Kansas Library staff will be coming March 6 to look at the new building and give suggestions as to floor plan and shelving.

The City Police will move into the lower level of the Carnegie building as soon as the library moves five blocks west. It is an exciting time for all in Council Grove.

## *Volunteers needed*

John and Susan Howell of Kansas on the Net have again agreed to manage the Kansas Library Network Board Internet booth at this year's Tri-Conference in Wichita. But they'll need help to staff the booth. A comfort level with PC or Mac machines and some familiarity with the Internet is all that is required. Below is a schedule of times when help is needed:

Wednesday, April 3

5:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.  
6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

Thursday, April 4

9:30a.m. - 10:30a.m.  
10:30a.m. - 11:30a.m.  
11:30a.m. - 12:00p.m.  
12:00p.m. - 1:00p.m.  
1:00p.m. - 2:00p.m.  
2:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.  
3:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.  
4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.

Friday, April 5

8:00a.m. - 9:00a.m.  
9:00a.m. - 10:00a.m.  
10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.  
11:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.

For those of you who are willing to help, contact Eric Hansen at 800/432-3919 or [eric@ink.org](mailto:eric@ink.org). If you respond by e-mail, please send a CC of your message to the Howells at [howell@kotn.org](mailto:howell@kotn.org). Thank you!

## *New Members Round Table meal at Tri-Conference*

The KLA New Members Round Table (NMRT) invites you to join them for dinner at Tri-Conference. Those interested in good food and great conversation can meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2002 immediately following the Exhibitor's Bash at the New Members Round Table bag check booth. From there the party will move to the Spaghetti Warehouse at 619 E. William Street in Wichita (316/264-7479). For more information contact Erma Verhage, NMRT Chair (785/532-7472, [verhage@ksu.edu](mailto:verhage@ksu.edu)), or Catherine Jeanjean, NMRT Secretary (785/532-7414, [cajejanje@ksu.edu](mailto:cajejanje@ksu.edu)).

## *Library positions*

### **Director of Library Services**

The College of Ottawa University, a residential church-affiliated liberal arts and professional studies institution located in Ottawa, Kansas, with additional sites in Kansas City, Phoenix, Milwaukee, and the Pacific Rim, seeks a Director of Library Services beginning Fall semester 2002.

The College Director of Library Services is responsible for managing the College Library that supports all academic units at the residential college.

Qualifications: a minimum of an MLS degree, with five-years of library experience including supervision preferred. Faculty rank possible.

Salary range: \$35,000 - \$45,000.

Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations are welcome. Applicants should send cover letter, curriculum vitae, photocopies of graduate transcripts, and the names and phone numbers of three professional references to:

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Ottawa University  
1001 S. Cedar, Box #18  
Ottawa, KS 66067-3399  
FAX: 785/229-1017  
[adams@ottawa.edu](mailto:adams@ottawa.edu)  
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### *An invitation*

**Do you have news items of interest to other librarians? An especially successful program or grant project, for instance? Let us know so that we can tell your colleagues in *Kansas Libraries*.**

**Network Librarian**

BCR, a library services network, seeks an innovative and dynamic network librarian. This individual will be responsible for providing training and technical support for OCLC and other systems, developing training materials and writing technical articles. The position includes travel throughout the Western US.

**Required:**

An ALA-accredited MLS degree, two years post-MLS library experience, one year recent, intensive experience with the OCLC Cataloging service are required as are good interpersonal, writing and public speaking skills.

**Highly desirable:**

Knowledge of AACR2, cataloging practices and national standards, MARC bibliographic formats are highly desirable. Familiarity with OCLC ILL and OCLC FirstSearch, local library systems, PCs, the Internet and the WWW are also needed. Formal experience teaching or training and/or experience working in a library network are a plus.

**Compensation:**

The starting salary for the position is \$40,000, negotiable. There are possible incentive awards, consulting fees, and annual salary adjustments. BCR staff enjoy liberal staff development funding, a pleasant working environment and an excellent benefit package.

See Position Description at <http://www.bcr.org/~jhillsa/netlibjobdescrip.html>. This position is available immediately and will remain open until the appropriate candidate is found.

**To apply:**

Send a letter of application, resumé and the names of three references to:

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Aurora, CO 80014  
E-mail: [jhillsa@bcr.org](mailto:jhillsa@bcr.org)  
Fax: 303/751-9787

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**Medical Librarian**

Immediate opening for a full time Medical Librarian in Wichita, KS - Via Christi Regional Medical Center.

Below is a partial job description and summary. The salary scale is between \$27,144 and \$43,472.

You may apply at <http://www.via-christi.org> by following the "JOBS" hotlink at the top of the web page to search for the job posting for "Medical Librarian" or mail / fax a resume to: Employment Center, Via Christi Health System, 929 North Saint Francis Avenue, Wichita, KS 67214 - Phone: 316/268-5192; Fax: 316/291-4570; Email: [hagan\\_featherston@via-christi.org](mailto:hagan_featherston@via-christi.org).

**Job Title: Medical Librarian**

**Function:** Responsible for the provision of library and health-related resources to physicians and other Via Christi Regional Medical Center and Via Christi Health System staff.

**Summary:** Serves as primary reference librarian in providing reference and research services to the library patrons. Responsible for the development of the collection of books, journals and other resources. Makes decisions for textbook and journal acquisitions and deletions from the collection.

Assists patrons in the general use of the library and the use of on-line computer bibliographic searches. Assists in library orientation tours and educational projects related to Via Christi Health System.

Essential duties and responsibilities include the following. Other duties may be assigned. Provides complex reference services by interviewing and interpreting physician, and other care givers, requests for literature searches. Searches databases and filters information that is often used by the requester in direct patient care situations.

Selects, orders and maintains professional collection of medical books, journals, audiovisual material, databases and other items to meet the needs of the library clientele. Periodically evaluates the collection to discard unneeded or outdated material.

Maintains and increases knowledge of sources of information and on-line systems through continuing education, self-directed learning and participation in

professional organizations. Identifies and studies quality measures.

Basic skills:

- Knowledge of library systems organization
- Evaluating library inventory and weeding principles
- Original and copy cataloging using standard library protocols
- Research techniques
- Basic budgeting principles
- Computer skills, including effective use of the Internet

If you have any questions, contact: Phil Omenski, MLS Manager, Via Christi Medical Libraries  
phil\_omenski@via-christi.org, 316/268-5187.

## *Kansas books*

—by Roy Bird  
Library Consultant

*The Day Dixie Died: Southern Occupation, 1865-1866*, by Thomas and Debra Goodrich. Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole, 2001. 312 pp, hardcover, 5" x 8", ISBN 0-8117-0487-4, \$26.95.

The *Kansas Books* column has had the privilege of reviewing books by Tom Goodrich and his wife Debra; this is the first time to review a book authored by them as a couple. Each is familiar for previous Kansas titles, and it will come as something of a surprise to some that their first book as a team has little to do with the state. Instead, it addresses a virtually unknown topic—the fate of the South immediately after the surrender at Appomattox until the implementation of Reconstruction. There were two years of limbo for Southerners, and *The Day Dixie Died* captures that era's mournful mood from the people themselves.

In typical Tom Goodrich fashion, this book lets the contemporaries speak for themselves with a heavy dose of primary sources and without dodging controversy. Lightly spiced with illustrations, well-documented and thoroughly researched, the work paints a vivid picture of the trauma of the defeated South, something few outside the South have ever considered. It will be a change of pace for Tom Goodrich fans, used to fast-paced action, but with Deb's influence they tell a story rarely told, the harsh realities after the action closed. Not a book about Kansas but by Kansas authors, it is highly recommended for adult nonfiction public library collections and all academic and secondary school libraries.



Check out the Topeka libraries  
online "ATLAS" catalog at:  
<http://lib.wuacc.edu/>

## Kansas libraries.... 70 years ago

—by Bill Sowers

Kansas Documents Librarian/Tech Support Librarian

### Excerpts from the March, 1932, issue of *The Kansas Library Bulletin*.

• “The Public Library and the Depression.” After a recent meeting of library leaders with the American Library Association Board a statement was issued about the importance of public libraries during times of national depression or distress such as those we are going through now. Among the suggestions issued by the group, librarians are called upon to rethink how a library functions. With limited budgets libraries need to move more toward cheap paperbound booklets, more magazines and more newspaper subscriptions. Consideration should also be given to expanded hours, including Sunday service “to serve as a leisure reading room for those who would otherwise aimlessly tramp the streets.” A complete copy of this article is available in the *Wilson Library Bulletin*, December 1931 issue.

• [From a statement issued by the American Library Association on the death of Melvil Dewey]: “No memorial in words can compare with the memorial of deeds which, in thousands of libraries from America to the Far East, links the name of Melvil Dewey with achievement in the library field.”

• Port Library in Beloit held open house during the afternoon and evening of New Year’s Day. Approximately six hundred citizens inspected the attractive building which has just been adapted as a library from the gift residence of the late Mrs. Emma Port.

• Mrs. A. A. Bower of Norton reports that their library is doing a record-breaking business this year and gives Mr. Muir, the librarian, credit for doing splendid work.

• Miss Winifred Schott, head of the children’s department of the Wichita City Library, will appear on the program of the Children’s Section of the ALA conference in New Orleans. Her subject is “The Library and the Children’s Theater.”



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