



Feminist Task Force

ALA Conference 2009

July 9 – 16, 2009

The SRRT Feminist Task Force (FTF) invites you to attend the Feminist Task Force Meetings. They are open to everyone. There are many opportunities for you including serving as an officer (coordinator, treasurer, secretary, etc.), edit the newsletter Women in Libraries as a wiki, help plan programs, share ideas about things you would like FTF to do and in other ways that you might design for yourself. We are always ready for new ideas. All FTF meetings and programs are highlighted below. You can find out what we are doing on our [website](#), [wiki](#) and [Facebook](#) group.

The business meetings take place:

Saturday, July 11, 8 – 10 a.m. at the Palmer House, room: Wabash Parlor (with SRRT all Task Force Meeting)

Sunday, July 12, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. at the Palmer House, room: Sandburg 4

Events: Feminists Night Out, Amelia Bloomer Project Breakfast, and Feminist Night at the Movies are listed below

This is a list of programs and meetings at the ALA Annual Conference 2009 that may be of interest to FTF members and colleagues. The meetings are in order by day and time.

Friday, July 10, 2009

****Feminists' Night Out**

6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Place: California Pizza Kitchen

http://www.cpk.com/locations/store_details.php?LID=137

52 East Ohio Street

Chicago, IL 60611

Between Wabash and Rush Sts

All Feminists and their friends are invited.

This is a fun way to meet with ALA friends at the first of the conference.

We like to meet at a woman owned establishment but did not get the arrangements made in time. We hope you will visit [Women and Children First](#) while in Chicago.

Saturday, July 11, 2009

COSWL

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W-176c

Feminist Task Force

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Wabash Parlor

GLBTRT Steering Committee I

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Clark 07

SRRT All Task Force Meeting
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Wabash
Parlor

SRRT Action Council I
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Salon II

GLBTRT Book Awards Committee (closed)
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: Hilton, Room: Conference Room 4B

GLBTRT Transgender Issues In-Service
Workshop
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Location: Hilton, Room: Northwest 2

Introduction to Women's Issues: WSS, FTF & COSWL

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Location: McCormick Place West in W-176b

Topic: Women and Workload: Strategies for Empowerment

As budgets shrink, repositories and staff consolidate, and job responsibilities multiply, managing workload is a major struggle for many librarians. This year's topic for Intro to Women's Issues will be an informal discussion of strategies for balancing workload and additional job responsibilities, and also for knowing when/how to say "no" to new projects and assignments. We will additionally consider the impact of gender--studies of women in academia, for example, have found differences in job satisfaction between men and women related to work-life balance issues, types of committee and service appointments, and research

collaborations. Are there similar differences in librarianship? .

WSS General Membership Forum
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Salon V
Followed by Social – more information later

ALA MEMBERSHIP Meeting I
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
Unit: ALA
Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W375A

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WSS Social
6:00 – 8:00 pm
Location: [BIN 36 wine bar](#)
339 N. Dearborn
(near the House of Blues)

Please join us for great conversation, delish appetizers, and all-around good times. We'll be walking up there as a group after the WSS General Membership Forum, but feel free to drop by as your schedule allows.

GLBTRT [Social](#)
7:00pm – 9:00 pm
Sidetrack (3349 N Halsted)

Breaking with the tradition of the past several years, the GLBTRT Social will be held Saturday evening. Sidetrack offered us space for free, letting us spend the Social funds on refreshments and drink tickets. Sidetrack is one of Chicago's most popular bars, stretching across 8 storefronts and encompassing multiple bars within the bar - each with its own style and atmosphere, in eclectic but pleasing architecture. And the slushies sure take the edge off the heat! Join us for drinks, appetizers, fun, and prizes.

significant and lasting achievement and contribution to young adult literature. We're excited to have her speaking in Chicago.

Joining Laurie will be speakers from the Chicago Women's Liberation Union to talk about their Herstory project. Between 1969-1977, the CWLU touched the lives of many women in and around the Chicago area, developing many programs from scratch to help women while still building the foundation that feminists use to further their efforts.

Sunday, July 12, 2009

FTF Amelia Bloomer Project Breakfast

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Hilton, Room: Boulevard C



Author Laurie Halse Anderson

Amelia Bloomer Author and multiple award winning author Laurie Halse Anderson will be joining the CWLU History Project in speaking at the Amelia Bloomer Breakfast at ALA Annual!

This year, Anderson made the SRRT/Feminist Task Force/Amelia Bloomer list for Independent Dames, won the O'Dell Historical Fiction award for Chains, and is the Margaret A. Edwards award for



CWLU

The Amelia Bloomer Breakfast will be held during ALA Annual in Chicago on Sunday, July 12, starting at 8 a.m. Tickets are \$30 and include a continental breakfast, and information on purchasing tickets is available through the ALA registration website.

WSS Conference Program Planning 2009

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Palmer House, Room: LaSalle 4

WSS Conference Program Planning 2010

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Sandburg 2

ALA COUNCIL/EXEC. BD./MEMBERSHIP INFO.
SESSION
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Location: McCormick Place West, Room:
W375A

ALA-APA INFORMATION SESSION
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Location: McCormick Place West, Room:
W375A

LLAMA Women Administrators Discussion
Group
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers,
Room: Missouri

GLBTRT Membership Meeting
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Hilton, Room: Lake Michigan

WSS Awards (closed)
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Clark 09

WSS All Committees Meeting
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Unit: ACRL, Subunit: WSS
Location: Palmer House, Room: Wabash
Parlor

ALA COUNCIL I
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM
Location: McCormick Place West, Room:
W375A

Feminist Task Force (FTF) Meeting
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Sandburg 4

*GLBTRT: What Makes Tango So Scary?
Serving Your Whole Library Population,
Intellectual Freedom, and Censorship of LGBT
Children's Books*
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W-
194a

GLBTRT Book Awards Committee (closed)
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: Hilton, Room: Conference Room 4B

WSS Executive & Leadership Orientation
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Salon VIII

PLG
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Location: Palmer House, Room: Monroe
Ballroom

PLG Dinner
7:00 PM
[Fuego Mexican Grill](#)
The restaurant is across the street from the
[Alternative Press Center](#), which is hosting an
open house from 5:30 to 7:30 that evening.
RSPV for dinner -- eharger@drizzle.com .

Feminists' Night at the Movies
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM
**Location: Palmer House, Room: Chicago
Room**
***Movies, Movies, Movies. Come and have an
entertaining and educational night at the
movies with the Feminist Task Force and
Women Make Movies.***

This year we will be showing three movies from the Women Make Movies catalog, www.wmm.com.



Women's Kingdom a film by Xiaoli Zhou and produced by Xiaoli Zhou & Brent E. Huffman. With breathtaking imagery shot in a remote area of southwest China, this short documentary offers a rare glimpse into Mosuo culture, one of the last matriarchal societies in the world, virtually unheard of until 10 years ago. Mosuo women enjoy great freedoms and carry great responsibilities. As the outside world encroaches, bringing 21st century conveniences, tourism, pollution, and mainstream ideas about femininity, these extraordinary women must meet complex new challenges to preserve their extraordinary culture.

Guerillas in Our Midst a film by Amy Harrison. Through interviews and art-world footage, this film presents a savvy exploration of the machinations of the commercial art-world during its boom in the 1980s, and brings the Guerrilla Girls to the screen. This anonymous group of art terrorists has succeeded in putting racism and sexism on the agenda in the art-world since 1985, and their witty and creative tactics have changed the face of political and cultural activism.

To See If I'm Smiling (Lir'ot Im Ani Mehayechet) a film by Tamar Yarom. In this

award-winning documentary, the frank testimonials of six female Israeli soldiers stationed in Gaza and the West Bank pack a powerful emotional punch. The young women revisit their tours of duty with surprising honesty and strip bare the stereotypes of gender differences in the military. With archival footage, personal material, and compelling testimonies, the documentary explores the ways that gender, ethics, and moral responsibility intersect during wartime.



Monday, July 13, 2009

WSS: Gaming, Film, and Ephemera: Women's Studies and Academic Collections

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W-192b

The panel will address mixed archival collections at the Schlesinger Library, the UIUC Gaming collection, and experiences conducting research on African American women and film. This program will address collection management and research strategies related to popular culture collections in academic libraries. Many collections directly relate to the history of women, gender, and culture, but they involve complex issues of access and preservation. Speakers will consider questions of how academic institutions collect and maintain

these materials, as well as the experience of how researchers access and use them in scholarship.

Speakers:

- Marilyn Dunn
Executive Director, Schlesinger Library
Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study,
Harvard University
http://www.radcliffe.edu/schlesinger_library.aspx
- Lisa Janicke Hinchliffe
Head, Undergraduate Library
Coordinator for Information Literacy
Services and Instruction, Library
University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign
<http://www.library.uiuc.edu/gaming/>
- Angela Winand
Assistant Professor
African American Studies, University of
Illinois at Springfield
<http://www.uis.edu/africanamericanstudies/>

Moderator:

- Diana King
Film, Television, and Theater Library /
Women's Studies and LGBT Studies
Librarian
Arts Library, UCLA
<http://www.library.ucla.edu/libraries/arts/index.cfm>

ALA-APA COUNCIL

10:15 AM - 11:15 AM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room:
W375A

**GLBTRT Stonewall Book Awards Brunch
Celebration**

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W-
196b

ALA MEMBERSHIP Meeting II

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room:
W375A

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Location: Council and Membership Meeting Chambers.

SRRT Action Council II

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Salon VIII

GLBTRT Forty Years Since Stonewall

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W-
194a

SRRT Membership Meeting

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Salon VIII

**SRRT 40th Anniversary 'Rent' Party and
Alternative Media Reception**

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Location: [Experimental Station](#)

The Alternative Media Reception (ALA Annual, Chicago) will join forces with the SRRT 40th Anniversary Celebration in a not-to-be-missed event featuring great food, drink, and music as well as books, zines, and other

materials from progressive publishers in Chicago and all over North America.

Special guest Paul Buhle, will speak at the event with brief words on the legacy of alternative media and underground papers rooted in the 1960s. Buhle edited the recently published *Studs Terkel's Working: A Graphic Adaptation*, and is founding editor of *Radical America* and co-author of *The Encyclopedia of the American Left*. We will also celebrate the 40th Anniversary of SRRT with our co-organizer, Alternative Press Center.

The location is at [Experimental Station](#), in Chicago's Hyde Park neighborhood.

Experimental Station takes its name from a 1901 Frank Lloyd Wright speech, "The Art and Craft of the Machine", and is occupied by various collaborative projects in independent publishing, contemporary art, experimental music, organic gardening, bulk food purchasing, ecological initiatives and youth education. The event is accessible via public transportation; the [Metra Electric Line](#) departing from Millennium Park Station (Michigan Ave. and Randolph St.) services the 59th Street (University of Chicago) Station, a quick walk from Experimental Station. The [CTA bus #6 Jackson Park Express](#) also runs from The Loop (via State St.) to Hyde Park.

The all-you-can eat buffet is a reasonable \$20, payable at the door. See your old friends, make new friends, catch the latest in independent perspectives, and wish SRRT another 40 years of happy activism!

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

COSWL Committee Meeting

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: McCormick Place South, Room: S101b

GLBTRT Steering Committee II

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Palmer House, Room: Indiana Room

ALA COUNCIL II

9:15 AM - 12:45 PM

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W375A

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

ALA COUNCIL III

8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Unit: ALA

Location: McCormick Place West, Room: W375A

Hotels [Map](#)

Acronyms

ALA – [American Library Association](#)

ALA-APA – [ALA-Allied Professional Association](#)

ACRL – [Association of College and Research Libraries](#)

COSWL – [Committee on the Status of Women in Libraries](#)

FTF – [Feminist Task Force
Amelia Bloomer Project](#)

GLBTRT – [Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered Round Table](#)

[Rainbow Project Task Force](#)

PLG – [Progressive Librarians Guild](#)

SRRT – [Social Responsibilities Round Table](#)

WSS – [Women Studies Section](#)