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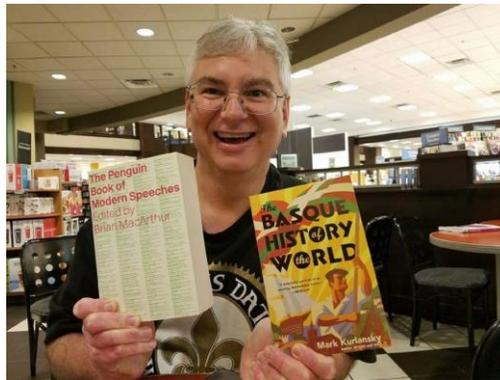
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Stephen V. Pomes
President, Federal and
Armed Forces Libraries
Round Table 2017-2018

Dear FAFLRT Members,

Greetings! I want to welcome everyone to the first Federal Librarian Newsletter of 2018! I hope that the articles in this issue will be both informative and relevant to your work in your respective libraries.

2017 was a great year for FAFLRT. Between December 2016 and December 2017, we've seen a net increase in the number of FAFLRT members. We gained 102 members for a total of 416 people in FAFLRT.

As you all know, FAFLRT and ASCLA are on a merger path within ALA. The new organization will be called Association of Specialized, Government, and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASGCLA). FAFLRT board members have held several teleconferences, exchanged emails, and, whenever possible, individual FAFLRT board members have met in person with ASCLA Board members to discuss topics related to the merger (e.g., revisions to bylaws, a name for the new organization, jointly sponsored conference programs, the focus of the new organization, and the make-up of the new organization's board).



ALA had required both FAFLRT and ASCLA to prepare respective memoranda outlining the dissolution of FAFLRT and the merger of FAFLRT and ASCLA. Past President Karl Debus-Lopez prepared the FAFLRT memorandum. The ALA Committee on Organization voted unanimously to approve the merger of FAFLRT and ASCLA to form the new organization, ASGCLA.

Although the merger has been a lengthy process, I feel that I can speak for the Board here and say that it has been a worthwhile process. In approaching the merger, FAFLRT Board members had concerns that the newly merged organization may neglect the needs of Federal and Military librarians. FAFLRT has been a consistent voice for Federal and Military librarians. The FAFLRT Board has confidence that the new merged organization will continue to be an effective advocate for the needs of both Federal and Military librarians.

As many of you know, we recently suffered the loss of a long-time member of FAFLRT, Kathleen Hanselmann. Kathleen was active in ALA in general, and in FAFLRT in particular. Kathleen served as the Secretary, Federal Director, and Awards Committee member. As Kathleen was a valuable friend and colleague, FAFLRT Board members Vicky Crone and Karl Debus Lopez, with assistance from ASCLA Council representative Chris Corrigan, prepared a Memorial Resolution that was approved by the ALA Council at the ALA 2018 Midwinter Meeting. The resolution is attached.

Looking forward to the ALA Conference in New Orleans, FAFLRT and ASCLA will be jointly sponsoring two programs:

- Building Your Brand: In a Landscape of Budget Cuts and Library Closures
- Nontraditional Partnerships: Architects and Health Sciences Librarianship make good Partners for Community Health

In addition, FAFLRT authored the below program and is honored that ALA is hosting it at the ALA Annual.

- African American Pioneers in Library Leadership: Bridging the Past to the Present

We feel that the three programs will be interesting, informative, and relevant to our members.

As always, I invite your questions, comments, and suggestions on how FAFLRT can help you in your work.

Best Regards,

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ALA UP-COMING PROGRAMS

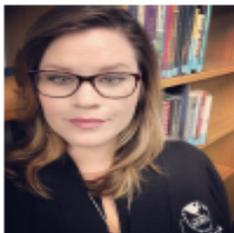


ALA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

New Orleans
JUNE 21-26, 2018

**Building Your Brand: In a
Landscape of Budget
Cuts and
Library Closures**

**FAFLRT Chair Program
Saturday, June 23, 2018
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm**



Rachel Arizaga is the Director of the community libraries on Fort Bliss, located in El Paso, TX. Her interest in Army libraries began when she was first hired to work as a technician for the Mickelsen Community Library on Fort Bliss. Since then, she has become a champion of innovation; striving to bring unique programming and world-class customer service to the Army community. Arizaga is credited with opening the first MakerSpace among Army libraries and is currently spearheading a pilot program with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Pentagon to bring new and emerging technologies to libraries across the military.



Michael Steinmacher, the 2016 Library of Congress/FEDLINK Federal Librarian of the Year, is the director of Barr Memorial Library, Fort Knox, KY. Steinmacher's work at Fort Knox includes developing a pilot RFID Army library, implementation of one of the Army's first MakerSpaces, and development of the acclaimed Authors at Your Library program, which has welcomed almost 40 New York Times Bestselling authors to Post since its inception in 2010. Recognized for leveraging technology to provide services and for his work in large scale, innovative programs, his work has appeared in industry leading journals *American Libraries* and *Library Journal*.



Elsworth Carman is the Director of the Marion (IA) Public Library. He has a career-long focus in service to traditionally underserved populations and is deeply committed to improving access to library resources. As a first-time director, Carman is pleased to be able to facilitate leadership opportunities for staff at all levels throughout the library. In late 2017, Carman created a new position at MPL and brought in a coordinator of marketing, promotion, and development. Leading the library through branding and communications changes has been both a challenge and a joy.



Nontraditional Partnerships: Architects and Health Sciences Librarianship make good Partners for Community Health

2018 ALA Annual Conference, New Orleans
Sunday, June 24, 2018
10:30 am – 11:30am



Russell Lacoursiere
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Bachelor of Science in Architecture, Lawrence Technological University; Masters of Architectural Design, Lawrence Technological University; USGBC LEED®-Accredited Professional
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Russell is a LEED accredited design professional and has also earned certification through the Construction Specification Institute for Construction Document Technology. His experience with community development, healthcare design, hospitality, retail, aviation and transportation has led him to create long standing relationships beyond the design industry. His focus on community and urban design has led to an engagement with population health issues and the beginning steps towards design integration with healthcare systems, public health departments and non-profit community groups. This focus has prompted his move to begin leveraging knowledge base and relationships that strive towards rebuilding urban neighborhoods. He believes design professionals have a responsibility to rethink how neighborhoods function while taking into account the complex issues that face community members within today's urban neighborhoods.



Sarah Carnes
Bedford VA Medical Center

Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature, University of Virginia; Master of Library and Information Science, University of Washington; Member, Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP)

Sarah Carnes is the Clinical Librarian at the Bedford VA Medical Center in Bedford, Massachusetts. As a Veteran herself, Sarah is honored to provide health information services to both Veterans and the clinical and research staffs. These services include consumer health information, staff training, literature searches, and support throughout the research cycle. She regularly collaborates with community partners to increase awareness of the benefits and services available to Veterans as well as to augment the resources available through the VA.

Prior to joining Bedford VA Medical Center in February 2017, Sarah worked as a strategic planner and manager in a healthcare system and a consultant, planner, and trainer with the National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center.



ALA ANNUAL *New Orleans*
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African American Pioneers in Library Leadership: Bridging the Past to the Present

Saturday, June 23, 2018
9:00 am - 10:00 am



Alma Dawson, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus,
Louisiana State University

Dr. Alma Dawson is Professor Emeritus, Louisiana State University. She received her B.S. Degree in Secondary Education and Library Science from Grambling State University; the A.M.L.S. Degree in Library and Information Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; and the Ph.D. in Higher Education and Library Science from Texas Women's University, Denton, TX. Her research and writing has focused on African American Literature, the history of and contributions African Americans, and collection development.

Dr. Dawson led Project Recovery, an IMLS funded Project designed to recruit, educate, and graduate replacement staff for Louisiana libraries that were impacted by Hurricanes Rita and Katrina. Project Recovery graduates all secured professional positions in south Louisiana libraries.

Dawson was also instrumental in establishing the Diversity Interest Group in the Louisiana Library Association (LLA), 1980. The LLA Diversity Interest Group established a partnership between LSU SLS and LLA for networking, professional development, program planning and fund raising for a scholarship for students of color (African American, Native American, Hispanic, Asian Pacific Islander). The scholarship is now given annually.



Jon E. Cawthorne, Ph.D.
Dean, Wayne State University
Library System and School of
Information Sciences

Before joining Wayne State University, Dr. Cawthorne was privileged to lead West Virginia University Libraries as dean. At WVU, he extended digital knowledge resources to seven regional campus libraries to create a virtually integrated library system. Along with a team of talented librarians and professional staff, he established the WVU Digital Publishing Institute, to advance open-access scholarship through new digital pathways for academic publication and dissemination of knowledge. Also, while at WVU, Jon's commitment to diversity among academic librarians led to founding in 2015 of the Library Diversity Alliance, a four-institution residency program comprising WVU, American University, the University of Iowa, and Virginia Tech. In 2016, an inspired Association of College & Research Libraries Board voted to sponsor and support the Alliance under the ACRL aegis; today, Cawthorne chairs the ACRL Diversity Alliance program, which unites 36 academic libraries that share a commitment to growing the hiring pipeline of qualified, talented individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups.

Jon Cawthorne began his library leadership career in Detroit, as director of the Detroit Public Library's flagship branch, where he was later named interim deputy director to lead the entire 24-branch system through an organizational transition. Before becoming WVU dean of libraries in 2014, Cawthorne also held leadership positions at Florida State University, Boston College, and San Diego State University. He holds a M.L.S. degree from the University of Maryland, and a Ph.D. in managerial leadership in the information professions from Simmons College. His published research bridges the realms of diversity, libraries, organizational culture, and leadership; with a shared focus on models that anticipate and plan for rapid change and the future through strategic capacity building and workforce development.



Maurice Wheeler, Ph.D.
Associate Professor,
University of North Texas

Maurice Wheeler, Ph.D. is an educator, author and active presenter whose career has evolved primarily around issues of diversity and access in the LIS profession. His degrees include a doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh, where he studied with Professor E.J. Josey, a M.I.L.S. in Library Science and a M. M. in Voice Performance, both from the University of Michigan.

Wheeler is an associate professor of Information Science in the College of Information at the University of North Texas (UNT). At UNT, he is director of the Music Librarianship Program of Study and has previously served as the interim chair of the Department of Library and Information Sciences. Before joining the faculty of UNT, he served as director of the Detroit Public Library.

Wheeler has lectured extensively throughout the United States and Europe and has presented papers at national meetings of conferences focused in primarily the Humanities and Library and Information Sciences. His research appears in national and international journals and edited collection of essays, *Unfinished Business: Race Equity and Diversity in Library and Information Science Education*, is published by Scarecrow Press. His current research explores the intersection of history, culture, and politics in music archives and special collections.



WOMEN KEY TO EDWARDS AFB TECHNICAL LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

By Lance D. Wiscamb,
Technical Information Flight Chief

Women library directors from the earliest days of the Edwards Air Force Base Technical Research Library have provided strong mission-essential support to the scientists, engineers, and military assigned to the base -- both onsite and at remote locations throughout the nation.

Strong female leadership began when Rose Kraft came to the then fledgling Air Force Flight Test Center Technical Library in 1954. Her transfer to the young library ushered in a period of growth to meet the specialized information requirements of the scientists and engineers at Edwards Air Force Base. The library's holdings and manpower slots, both civilian and military, grew under her direction establishing the library as a heavily utilized resource. By 1956 the reputation for research excellence was so well known that Philip F. Fahey, Jr., chief of the Test Engineering Branch, Rocket Engine Test Laboratory, the predecessor of today's AFRL Rocket Propulsion Division, requested that a branch library be established for

them. Under Kraft's able leadership, the branch was up and running by 1 April 1957.

Kraft departed in 1958, and Myrtle C. Jones became the next library director. Under her guidance, the policies for growth continued with the establishment of a field library at the U.S. Air Force Test Pilot School. Myrtle left in October of 1969 and the assistant library director, Jean E. Dickinson took over.



Dickinson introduced many new innovative ideas during her tenure including the use of Singer Business Machines to improve staff checkout, inventory control, and patron access to the collection. While continuing to represent AFFTC on a national scale within the library arena, Dickinson served as the chairperson of the Military Librarians Division in 1980-1981.



Margaret O'Drobinak Brautigam, the director from 1985-1991, oversaw a wide range of changes and improvements. Early on, she received the AFSC Morale, Welfare and Recreation Special/Technical Librarian of the Year for 1986 for her new initiatives, achieved program accomplishments and management of a program of notable scope including the installation of moveable shelving to meet the expanding collection space requirements.



She continued to implement improvements with the planning and opening of a newly constructed free-standing branch library at the AFRL Rocket Lab, which opened on June 20, 1990 when AFFTC Commander Maj. Gen. John P. Schoeppner, Jr. visited the site. The new building represented another link in the bridge of cooperation between the center and the lab. Margaret O'Drobinak

Brautigam left AFFTC in 1991 for a position at the Defense Technical Information Center.

Jolaine B. Furgeson Lamb took over as the chief librarian and oversaw the completion of the transition from a paper catalog system to a fully automated catalog computer system.



With her retirement in 2005, her successor Marie L. Nelson continued to actively represent AFFTC within the library realm serving as the secretary of the Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Roundtable within the American Library Association from 2004-2006. In addition, she worked closely with the USAF Test Pilot School Program to establish the AFFTC Technical Library as the TPS library of record to meet the accreditation requirements of the Southern



Association of Schools and Colleges for the degree of Master of Science in Flight Test Engineering before her departure in 2009. Jennie C. Paton continues the strong tradition of female librarians at Edwards AFB, serving as the Rocket Lab's branch librarian since 2001.

With a name change in 2012, the AFFTC Technical Library became the Edwards AFB Technical Research Library continuing to provide full reference and research services from its location on Edwards AFB, CA.

VETERANS HISTORY PROJECT



By Dr. Arlene Luster

This is a plea for military and government librarians and libraries to help the Veterans History Project (VHP). Congress created this VHP in 2000 as part of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. The purpose of this project is to collect, preserve and make accessible the personal accounts of American wartime veterans so future generations may hear directly from veterans and better

understand the realities of war. Collections include first hand oral histories, memoirs, photographs, and letters from World War I through current conflicts. A webpage is created for each veteran who contributes an interview, memoir or historical documents and made available free to the public. Families or friends of veterans can submit entries for those who have passed away a long time ago.

I discovered this need when I visited the Library of Congress booth during an ALA conference several years ago. After seeing a need to preserve information about the veterans, I decided to submit an entry for my husband, Mr. Richard Hanusey, who was a veteran of the Vietnam War and incidentally, a military librarian in Europe. When he passed away, he was the Command Librarian of Army libraries in Europe.

Since that time, I have interviewed more veterans here in Honolulu and submitted the entries. It is unfortunate that many people do not know about this program and I thought libraries would be an excellent place to publicize this project. I know that staffing has been reduced in many of our libraries, but advertising this project would help publicize and get more people to submit their own entries. I think it would attract expats in foreign countries who use overseas base libraries. Volunteers are needed to conduct interviews and collect historical documents. Visit their website: www.loc.gov/vets for more information.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The [FAFLRT Distinguished Service Award](#) recognizes a FAFLRT member for outstanding and sustained contributions to FAFLRT. Administered by the Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table (FAFLRT).

The [FAFLRT Achievement Award](#) recognizes an individual for achievement in the promotion of library and information service and the information profession in the Federal community. Those nominated need not be members of FAFLRT. Administered by the Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table (FAFLRT).

[FAFLRT Rising Stars Initiative](#), administered by the Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table (FAFLRT), highlights the achievements of those new to the profession. Rising Stars are those people who display a passion for the profession, both at work and via volunteer or association activities. Rising Star candidates must:

- Be a FAFLRT member in good standing
- Work in a federal or armed forces library or government information management setting
- Have graduated from an MLS/MLIS program five years ago or less

- Been a professional librarian or information manager for five years or less

FAFLRT Awards Nomination Form

The deadline for awards to be submitted is March 1, 2018. FAFLRT awards to be presented at the 2018 ALA Annual Conference.

- [Achievement Awards Nomination Form](#)

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FABULOUS FEDS IN THE NEWS

RETIREMENTS:

Kathy Weber, Head of the Classified Library, Naval War College Library, retired on 1 January 2018 after more than 25 years of federal service. Over the span of her career, Kathy worked at a number of different libraries including the Defense Intelligence Agency, University of Missouri, and Redwood Library in Newport. She served at the Naval War College beginning in 1975-1980 as Reference Librarian, 2005-2007 as Classified Library Cataloger, and most recently as Head of the Classified Library beginning in 2007. Kathy was an



exemplary steward of the Classified Library's collections, overseeing a program that today comprises a collection of more than 70,000 documents and recordings, 19 workstations, and two Classified Classrooms.

Christine Danieli, Deputy Director, Naval War College (NWC) Library, retired on 1 November 2017. For thirty-seven years Christine dedicated herself to the profession of academic librarianship and during those years was instrumental in shaping the future of the NWC Library. Over the course of her career, she served as Acquisitions Librarian, Reference Librarian, Head of the Classified Library, Head of Information and Access Services, and most recently, as the Library's Deputy Director. In her many roles, Christine's diligence in serving patrons, in particular faculty and students, was noteworthy in that she was willing to take on any question and find an answer. The most significant accomplishment in her career was achieved during the years 2012 through 2016 when she provided vital coordination and leadership in the design and implementation of the new Learning Commons. She was a consistent bedrock of support for everyone working in the library and remained highly dedicated to the welfare, morale, and professional development of the staff up until her

retirement. For her devotion to duty and unwavering dedication to the entire Naval War College community, Christine was awarded the Meritorious Civilian Service Award by the President, U.S. Naval War College, Jeffrey Harley, Rear Admiral, USN.

Mrs. Jung Ae Kim – retired in 2016 from the Army Corps of Engineers library in St Paul, Minnesota. She worked as Library Director in many bases overseas: Suwon, Osan, Kunsan, Korea; Hickam AFB, Hawaii, Misawa, Japan and US Army Europe Headquarters Library, in Heidelberg, Germany.

Miss Amy Nogami – retired in April 2017 from the Command Librarian of base libraries at Schofield Barracks and other libraries in Korea.

Miss Alice Hadley - librarian at the Navy Medical Library in Guam. Retired in 2017 after 38 years at this library.

DEATHS:

Mr. Tae Minn – passed away in Sept. 2016. His experiences included Kunsan AB, Korea, special military library in Boston, and a library in Germany as well.

Mary Kathleen Hanselmann, Chief, Library Operations Branch, US Army Corps of Engineers – passed away in November 2017.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The Engineer Research and Development Center Library Launches a New Digital Repository Service Called Knowledge Core

By Molly McManus, Librarian, Information Science and Knowledge Management Branch (ISKMB), Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)

The Engineer Research and Development Center library recently launched a new DSpace-based digital repository, Knowledge Core, which will host ERDC's technical reports and other archival and historical items. This new website can be found at <https://erdc-library.erdcdren.mil>. DSpace offers significant improvements in usability and discoverability and better tools for long-term management and preservation of technical reports and other digital assets. ERDC's existing digital repository will be retired in the next few months, but URL redirects will be maintained so that there are no broken links.

Multiple formats

One major advantage of the new repository is that it can host a wide variety of formats. "Although technical reports continue to be an essential tool for technology transfer, ERDC and USACE also produce knowledge and data in complex digital formats. One of ISKMB's missions is to collect, preserve,

describe, and distribute content regardless of the format. Our new repository will be able to host datasets, models, computer programs, video, audio, images, and more" said Denise Kitchens, Chief, ISKMB.

Faster and more intuitive

The ISKMB evaluated several repository solutions before choosing DSpace. Reliability, usability, compliance with archival standards, open-source licensing under the Berkeley Software Distribution License, preservation support, and an active user group were important deciding factors in choosing DSpace. "Users visiting the new repository will find it to be much faster and much more intuitive to use than our previous repository," says Jered Lambiotte, Digitization Librarian, ISKMB, "you can easily search the full text of every file or browse by laboratory and sort by date, author, title and subject." DSpace is used by many institutions — including educational institutions, such as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Cornell University — and also by government agencies like the Smithsonian.

Preservation of digital assets

Long-term preservation of historical knowledge is an important mission for ISKMB. Knowledge Core uses two levels of digital preservation: bit preservation and functional preservation. Bit preservation ensures that a file remains exactly the same over time, while functional preservation



goes further: the file *does* change over time so that the material continues to be immediately usable in the same way it was originally while the digital formats (and the physical media) evolve over time. “Digital preservation is an evolving field and we can’t predict which formats will be available in the future,” says Jennefer Beyl, Librarian, ISKMB, “but efforts will be made to ensure that functionality of the original content is maintained, even if file formats change over time. ISKMB has a set of recommended file formats that have the greatest chance of long-term preservation, and the repository automatically creates a text backup of each file.”

Permanent links via Handle and DOI

ISKMB’s new repository is linked with the Corporation for National Research Initiatives (CNRI), a not-for-profit organization that manages the Handle.Net Registry. The Handle.Net Registry is used for assigning, managing, and resolving persistent identifiers for digital objects and other Internet resources. Each item and collection in our new digital repository has been assigned a “handle,” and this handle will never change, even if servers or repository software changes. In addition, technical and other reports that go through the ERDC editing process will be assigned a Digital Object Identifier (DOI). DOIs can be assigned to reports, articles, datasets, and monographs and are best known as a means of tracking scholarly articles

published through commercial and society publishers. The DOI will appear with the handle as an additional permanent link for the item. ERDC DOIs are registered through CrossRef, which provides an additional layer of discovery through their metadata registry and search tool. “Using both Handles and DOIs for ERDC material means creating reliable, persistent links for our technical reports and gives our resources added exposure online,” says Joycelynn Brooks, Library Technician, ISKMB.

Search-engine friendly

Ensuring that ERDC-authored reports and articles with appropriate distribution statements are visible in search engines is an important part of completing the publishing process. Search engines are where many researchers are beginning their research and finding experts on important topics. Behind the scenes, Knowledge Core uses search-engine friendly sitemaps and includes Google-Scholar-specific metadata fields in each item's HTML display pages. ISKMB also describes content using taxonomies, including Library of Congress name authority and subject authority. Search engines are accustomed to indexing these tags, and ISKMB is committed to making sure content in Knowledge Core is highly findable and visible.

Mobile devices

The theme installation and customization of Knowledge Core was a collaboration



between the ISKMB and the Software Engineering and Evaluation Branch (SEEB) at ERDC. “The theme is responsive so that it will automatically adjust to mobile phone or tablet viewing,” says Randy Fontan, Computer Scientist, SEEB. The theme was a complex installation with multiple technologies, but so far, ISKMB is getting positive feedback from users about Knowledge Core’s look and functionality.

Integration with DiscoverERDC

When it was initially launched, the DiscoverERDC search appliance was only able to partially index ISKMB’s existing repository, which was provided by a commercial vendor and did not lend itself to indexing. When designing the new repository, ISKMB worked with the Office of Research and Technology Transfer and the Scientific Software Branch to make sure that Knowledge Core is indexed by DiscoverERDC. “Testing of the new repository’s indexing in DiscoverERDC is ongoing and when the new version of the DiscoverERDC search engine is launched, users will notice that technical reports and documents are much easier to find,” says Kevin Walker, Computer Scientist, Scientific Software Branch.

Restricted use materials

In the next few months, ISKMB, the SEEB, and the Cloud Computing Environment staff

will complete development of a new restricted use repository hosted on the DSpace platform. “The repository will be restricted by CAC card to USACE employees only and will allow ISKMB and ERDC to share valuable materials and historical knowledge that we cannot share with the general public,” says Bernard du Breuil, IT Specialist. A restricted use repository has been a goal of ISKMB for several years. “The ISKMB gets numerous requests for Design Memoranda and Periodic Inspection Reports that are not posted on public servers,” says Jennefer Beyl, Librarian, ISKMB, “ISKMB evaluated several commercial options before deciding to use the Cloud Computing Environment because they are experts in providing security for government systems and follow government security standards.”

More information

For more information about Knowledge Core, to provide feedback, or to suggest a collection that ISKMB should digitize, click on the ‘About’ link at <https://erdc-library.erdcdren.mil> or contact the ISKMB at erdclibrary@ask-a-librarian.info.

ISKMB would like to thank Cornell University’s George Kozak and the Smithsonian’s Alvin Hutchinson for their guidance in getting started with DSpace.

Knowledge Core automatically adjusts to mobile phone or tablet viewing



MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

2017-2018 ALA MEMORIAL #3

2018 ALA Midwinter Meeting

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING MARY KATHLEEN HANSELMANN

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) and the broader library community lost a valued member and leader on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 with the death of Mary Kathleen Hanselmann;

Whereas Mary Kathleen Hanselmann was a staunch supporter of Federal and Armed Forces libraries and their staffs;

Whereas Mary Kathleen Hanselmann served in libraries throughout her long career, including as Chief of Library Operations Branch for the US Army Corps of Engineers;

Whereas Mary Kathleen Hanselmann served with excellence on the ALA Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table Executive Board from 2011 to 2017 as Secretary, Federal Director, and Awards Committee member;

Whereas Mary Kathleen Hanselmann's sense of humor, kindness, energy and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with her; and

Whereas her true legacy lies in the profound effect she had on the countless Federal and Armed Forces library staff and patrons she mentored and taught throughout her career; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. recognizes the remarkable achievements of Mary Kathleen Hanselmann and gratefully acknowledges her many contributions to the profession of librarianship; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to her family, her friends, and her colleagues at the Library Operations Branch for the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Mover: Chris Corrigan, ASCLA Councilor

Second: Patricia M. Hogan, Councilor for the Small Round Tables



RECRUITING AND PREPARING MILITARY VETERANS FOR CAREERS IN LIBRARIANSHIP

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Reaching Those Who Served (RTWS) is a 3-year Institute of Museums and Library <https://www.ims.gov/> recruitment of military veterans to library and information science graduate programs. The grant enables RTWS to provide scholarships for 12 military veterans to pursue a master's in library and information science at one of three universities.

Over the course of this 3-year project, RTWS will: 1) collect data on strategies to draw military veterans into library and information science (LIS) master's degree programs 2) apply and test these strategies through recruiting, admitting, and providing financial and social support for 12 military veterans to make substantial progress toward completing a master's degree at one of 3 American Library Association (ALA) accredited programs.

With their strong service orientation, motivation to serve others, interest in change and life-long learning, flexibility, and

adaptability, military veterans have the qualities to be excellent prospective students for graduate library and information science programs.

The universities are the University of Texas at Austin, which is offering a "face to face" program; San Jose State University, which is offering an entirely online program; and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, which is offering a "hybrid", or combination of online and face to face, program.

For more information, visit the RTWS website:
<http://www.reachingthosewhoserved.org/>

BOARD BUSINESS

Dates for Future Midwinter Meetings and
Annual Conferences

Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA
June 21-26, 2018

MEETING MINUTES

View the [minutes of previous meetings](#) of the FAFLRT Board and Membership.



**FEDERAL AND ARMED FORCES
LIBRARIES ROUND TABLE
BOARD AND COMMITTEES:
2017-2019**

The Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table (FAFLRT) exists as an official round table under the American Library Association to promote library and information service and the library and information profession in the federal and armed forces communities; to promote appropriate utilization of federal and armed forces library and information resources and facilities; and to provide an environment for the stimulation of research and development relating to the planning, development, and operation of federal and armed forces libraries.

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