

## Looking Ahead: TSS Programs for the 2011 WLA Annual Conference

Just a reminder that this year's fall WLA annual conference will be held at the Hilton Milwaukee and Frontier Airlines Center, from November 1-4. TSS has some great programming lined up for the conference:

**Moving Microfiche Mountains by Yourself: creating an institutional digital repository with one librarian and hosted CONTENTdm** with Kelly Swickard, Cardinal Stritch University Library

I will discuss how I created an institutional digital repository for masters' theses. Previously, the university would have theses made into microfiche, which is not desirable to contemporary researchers/students. Using CONTENTdm, I constructed the collections, the metadata schema, and controlled vocabulary. Additionally, I developed an electronic submission form, from which copyrights can be selected. With the help of our web librarian, I created a web page that has the submission form and directions to it.

**Wednesday, Nov. 2, from 2:15-3:30 p.m.**

**RDA: Where Are We Now with the New Rules?** with Debra Shapiro, UW-Madison SLIS, Steven Miller, UW-Milwaukee SOIS, as well as other panelists to be announced

RDA, Resource Description and Access, the successor to the Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules, was published in Summer 2010 and underwent testing and assessment during Fall 2010 and Spring 2011. What was the outcome of this testing? What decisions did the U.S. national libraries (LC, NLM, NAL) make about implementation? How will this now affect Wisconsin libraries? This panel consists of faculty, staff, and students from UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee who participated in the testing.

**Thursday, Nov. 3, from 10:45 a.m.-noon**

**Technical Services and the Koha ILS** with Amy Gannaway and Joanna Messer, both of South Central Library System

The South Central Library System migrated from Dynix Classic to Koha earlier this year and did extensive development in the Technical Services areas. In this session, we'll provide a "tour" of the Cataloging and Serials modules, as well as the add-in GetIt Acquisitions module. We'll also talk about our migration experience as we moved to a new system after using Dynix Classic for the past 15+ years.

**Thursday, Nov. 3, from 2:15-3:30 p.m.**

**Museum Metadata: From Cephalopods to iPods** with Claudia Jacobson and Debra Miller, both of the Milwaukee Public Museum, and Paul Bourcier, Wisconsin Historical Society

Panelists from the Wisconsin Historical Society and Milwaukee Public Museum will discuss how cataloging metadata has evolved at their institutions, how the metadata is reflected by the collections management needs of the museums, and how controlled vocabularies and shared thesauri are used with metadata. The discussion will be illustrated with examples of cataloging and indexing from the manual era as well as examples from two museum collections management systems – Argus and KE Emu.

**Thursday, Nov. 3, from 4:15-5:30 p.m.**

We will also have our TSS business meeting at the WLA conference on Thursday, Nov. 3, from 7-8:45 a.m. I hope you can make it. We love to hear feedback and get ideas from the TSS membership.

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## 2011 Elections

Hello! My name is Kelly Swickard. I am the current Vice Chair/Chair Elect of the WLA Technical Services Section (TSS). It's time to start thinking about elections, which may seem too early but the deadline for submitting candidates for section officers is the middle of July. This year we are looking for nominations for two TSS positions: Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Secretary. I hope that you will consider filling a nomination for either position. If you are looking to get involved, especially at a time when it seems librarianship is in crisis, now is that time!

The Vice Chair/Chair Elect is a 2-year position. First year duties as Vice Chair include attending the WLA leadership meeting in Madison, recruiting for future TSS positions, and assisting the Chair as needed. Duties for the second year as Chair include attending the WLA leadership meeting in Madison, producing the TSS newsletter, and organizing WLA conference programs. The WLA leadership meetings are very helpful in getting direction for what you need to do next, how to do it, and where you can turn for assistance. There is also typically one or two WLA Unit Advisory Committee meetings held each year in Madison. Attendance is not mandatory, but the UAC meetings can be very useful for connecting with other sections, gathering ideas and support, and making your voice heard to the broader WLA leadership.

The Secretary is also a 2-year position. The duties include attending the TSS Business Meeting at the WLA Conference, taking notes, and processing and sending

the minutes to the WLA office in order for the minutes to be added to the TSS web page on the WLA web site.

Either position is a great opportunity to get involved, which can help you professionally by improving your daily work and also improve your library. We are all facing difficult times in our profession so becoming involved in WLA leadership can help us all push forward and make all of us successful. I have enjoyed my time so far as Vice Chair/Chair Elect, getting to know a wonderful group of people.

You do NOT need to be a long term member of WLA or the library community in general to run for office. If you are new to librarianship or Wisconsin, this is a great way to get more involved and connect with your colleagues. It is also the perfect chance to get more involved if you have been a member for a while but haven't taken that next step. The only requirement is that you are a WLA member.

Interesting in serving? Please e-mail me at:

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Or call me at: 414-410-4258 to learn more. I look forward to hearing from you!

Best regards,

Kelly Swickard

TSS Vice Chair/Chair Elect

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## Coming Soon: DDC 23

From the OCLC website:

“DDC 23 is coming soon!

OCLC will soon release a new print edition of the Dewey Decimal Classification, DDC 23. The new edition includes several major changes held for simultaneous publication in the print and Web versions of the DDC plus many interim updates already distributed to users in WebDewey 2.0.

The DDC print edition is scheduled for delivery to the Americas in May 2011, and to locations outside the Americas in July 2011.

Orders placed by July 1, 2011 will receive a 10% discount on DDC 23.”

For more information, go to <http://www.oclc.org/us/en/info/ddc23/>

## 2011 WAPL Wrap-up

TSS presented two great programs at WAPL this year:

**System-Level Cataloging: We may all be in the same boat, but are we paddling in the same direction?** with Cheryl Nessman, Manitowoc Public Library, Jane Richard, WiLS, Dave Goldfein, La Crosse Public Library, Alison Ross, Eastern Shores Library System, and Michael Sheehan, Northern Waters Library Service. A panel of public library catalogers discussed the pros and cons of centralized cataloging. Specific topics are drawn from recent informal interviews, with central themes on quality control, best practices, and how to get system members on board.

**How to get your weeding off the ground: a common sense approach** with Angela Milock and Jane Richard, both of WiLS, and RASS's Ann Lininger, Racine Public Library. They offered suggestions in planning and launching a manageable book weeding process, from addressing challenges, to preparing practical checklists of tools--such as having a weeding policy, reports, weeding criteria-- to what to do with all those deselected books, even what supplies to take to the stacks.

Resources from both programs are posted at:  
<http://www.wla.lib.wi.us/wapl/conferences/2011/post.htm>

**Thanks to everyone who presented!**

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## Continuing Education Opportunities

When you are looking for more continuing education opportunities, keep these resources in mind:

[WiLS-Wisconsin Library Services](#)

[UW-Madison School of Library & Information Studies](#)

[UW-Milwaukee School of Information Studies](#)

[Minitex](#) has an agreement with WiLS that allows Wisconsin librarians to register for many of their classes for their member price, AND use their WiLS deposit accounts if they have them. For questions about WiLS billing, contact [Shirley Schenning](#).

[OCLC's Training Portal](#) is not just limited to OCLC topics, and includes Minitex and WiLS classes.

TSS member [Jane Richard](#) has some of the recordings of the College of DuPage "Library Futures : Staying Ahead of the Curve" series on DVD that she is willing to lend out, including the April 8, 2011 broadcast "Cataloging: New Perspectives" with Karen Coyle and Christopher Cronin.

[WebJunction](#)

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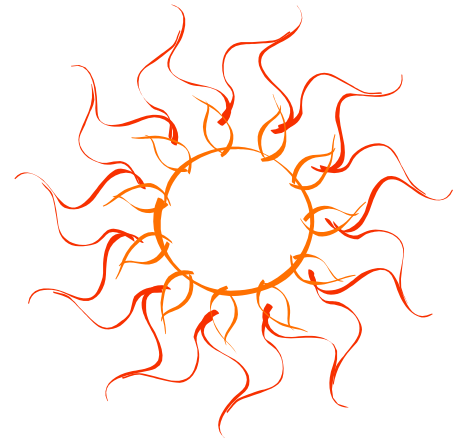
## Have You Seen Our Website?

Visit the TSS homepage: <http://www.wla.lib.wi.us/tss/>. What else would you like to see? What you be useful to you as a TSS member? I'd love to hear from you. If you have ideas or a list of resources you find useful, please send them along to me at [hthompson@library.wisc.edu](mailto:hthompson@library.wisc.edu).

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