

Save the Dates!



The MLA/MSLA Annual Legislative Day is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at the State House in Boston. More information to follow.

The Massachusetts Library Association's Annual Conference, Building Bridges is set for Mon, May 16 - Wed, May 18 at the Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis. On Tuesday, members from our network will be presenting MOBYfun: Libraries Collaborating around STEM Activities, Sponsored by Youth Services Section



Preliminary description: How did three libraries share an LSTA grant and manage the planning and staffing? You can do it! My Own BackYard (MOBY) is a collaboration between three small libraries (with little program space), focusing on STEM activities for students in grades 3-8 and their families. Learn about community engagement, STEM backpacks and programs with local science experts.

Speakers: Gail Roberts, Library Director, Plumb Memorial Library, Rochester, MA; Elisabeth O'Neill, Library Director, Elizabeth Taber Library, Marion, MA; Susan Pizzolato or Elizabeth Sherry, Library Director/Young Adult Services, Mattapoissett Free Public Library, MA.; Michelle Cusolito, Author, Rochester, MA.; Linda Burke, Children's Librarian, Mattapoissett Free Public Library, MA.

Show them your support and plan to attend the conference. There will be several of us there from the network so if you're concerned about going to the conference for the first time, don't be. You'll be sure to find friendly faces and dining partners if you're interested!



Save the Date

**Please join us for the 2016
Southeastern Massachusetts Libraries Legislative Breakfast!**

Friday, January 29, 2016

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Lakeville Public Library, 4 Precinct Street, Lakeville
(Snow Date is Friday, February 5th)

Our featured speaker is Senator Michael Rodrigues

Our mailing address is:

Legislative Breakfast Committee
c/o SAILS Library Network
10 Riverside Drive, Suite 102
Lakeville, MA 02347
email: legbreakfast@sailsinc.org

New to the Network - Welcome!

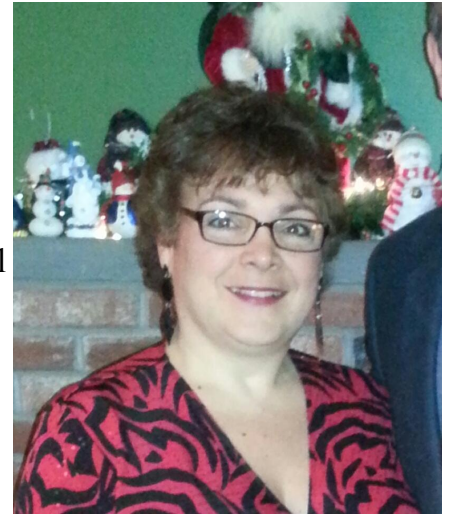
Ellen Snoeyenbos is the new director at West Bridgewater. She had been at the Duxbury Free Public Library as their young adult librarian. Their loss is our gain. Ellen has already begun a new website for West Bridgewater and



plans to continue the historic projects at the library as well as introduce new programs around digital media. We're looking forward to working with Ellen and excited to see what fun projects happen during the new year!

After the New Year, we will have a new face right at the SAILS office! Lisa Hart will join us in the new position of Office Administrative Support Specialist. She has a lot of experience working in libraries, most

recently as a part-time administrative assistant at the Ventress Library in Marshfield. She will be answering support questions as well as working with vendors and libraries to fill orders and manage billing.



💡 Patron Registration Manual - Updated!

The Patron Registration instructions have been updated and should be reviewed with staff responsible for registering or updating patron records. Get the manual [online](#).



Acushnet Public Library

On Monday, December 21st the Acushnet Public Library opened at its new location on Middle Road in Acushnet. We wish them the best of luck in their new space and look forward to being able to hold network meetings in their new meeting room! Congratulations!

Library Showcase

The Massachusetts Library Association's Legislative Committee is planning for Library Legislative Day 2016, which will be held at the State House on March 8th.

In an effort to help our State Legislators understand all of the interesting, exciting and collaborative things going on in Massachusetts libraries today, we are planning a "Library Showcase" which will feature visual displays placed in the Great Hall and Grand Staircase areas. Legislators and attendees will be able to visit these displays to get a snapshot of Massachusetts Libraries.

The Legislative Committee is calling for proposals from libraries to present ideas for displays. If your idea is accepted you will be asked to coordinate the display and bring it to the State House on March 8th, set the display up, staff the table during the Showcase if needed, and remove the display afterward. These displays will be similar to "poster sessions" that you see at conferences. Each display will be allowed an 8' table space.

This is a great opportunity to share a special project, program or activity that your Library may be engaged in, and of which you may be particularly proud. Displays should be visually interesting, fairly compact, and may highlight innovative or traditional services. Be creative!

Here are some ideas the Committee was considering:

- *Maker Space (bring a 3d printer to show off)
- *STEM Program (telescopes? other cool science programs you have done?)
- *ESL/Literacy in Libraries
- *Community Collaborations or Solving Community Problems
- *New Construction
- *MLA PR Award Winners

These are just a few of our ideas...we are sure you have many more!

To apply, please click here : <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LegDay2016> and fill out the form to describe your proposed display. Proposals are due by January 14, 2016 at 6pm. The Legislative Committee will notify you by January 29th if your proposal has been accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Lowe at klowe@maschoolibraries.org

Krista I. McLeod
Member, MLA Legislative Committee

Upcoming Events

Friday January 1, 2016

12:00 AM - 11:55 PM

SAILS Office Closed

Contact: Deborah Conrad 508-946-8600 x211 dconrad@sailsinc.org

If you are experiencing a system outage call [800-331-3764 ext 1](tel:800-331-3764) or [508-946-8600 ext. 1](tel:508-946-8600). Leave a message on that extension. Be sure to include a call back number. You will receive a response within an hour.

You may also send email to support@sailsinc.org.

Wednesday January 6, 2016

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Searching for Circulation

Contact: Laurie Lessner 508-946-8600 x214 llessner@sailsinc.org

Do you ever need to search for a title when placing a hold for a patron? Do you find what you're looking for right after they leave? Make it happen less frequently by learning to search for performing circulation tasks in WorkFlows. This is a hands-on workshop. Please bring examples of problem searches to the class.

- Find specific formats: videos, audio books, downloadables, etc.
- Setting up a search strategy
- Keyword, Browse or Exact?
- Learn to search for a specific author, title in a series, even song!
- Overview of Specialized Searches
- What is shadowed & when

Location: SAILS Meeting Room

Thursday January 7, 2016

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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Wednesday January 13, 2016

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cataloging Roundtable discussion on DVDs

Contact: Kristin Slater 508-946-8600 catsupport@sailsinc.org

This Roundtable will be a discussion on DVDs.

[register](#)

Location: Attleboro Public Library

Monday January 18, 2016

12:00 AM - 11:55 PM

SAILS Office Closed

Contact: Deborah Conrad 508-946-8600 x211 dconrad@sailsinc.org

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Wednesday January 20, 2016

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Membership Meeting**

Contact: Deborah Conrad 508-946-8600 x211 dconrad@sailsinc.org

Location: SAILS Meeting Room

Thursday January 21, 2016

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Beginning Cataloging Training**

Contact: Jennifer Michuad 508-946-8600 x215 catsupport@sailsinc.org

Overview Provides an overview of the basic date entry procedures new staff. his workshop will only cover print materials.

This workshop is for Adding records using the Workflows Java Client

Attaching Call Number and copies records

This is a hands on workshop

[Register](#)

Location: SAILS Meeting Room

Wednesday January 27, 2016

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Snow Date Cataloging Roundtable**

Contact: Kristin Slater 508-946-8600 catsupport@sailsinc.org

Location: Attleboro Public Library

Thursday January 28, 2016

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Snow date Beginning Cataloging Training**

Contact: Jennifer Michuad 508-946-8600 x215 catsupport@sailsinc.org

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Friday January 29, 2016

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Legislative Breakfast

Contact: breakfast@sailsinc.org

Location: Lakeville Public Library

Friday February 5, 2016

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Snow date Legislative Breakfast

Contact: breakfast@sailsinc.org

Location: Lakeville Public Library

Monday February 15, 2016

12:00 AM - 11:55 PM

SAILS Office Closed

Contact: Deborah Conrad 508-946-8600 x211 dconrad@sailsinc.org

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Wednesday February 17, 2016

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Board Meeting

Contact: Deborah Conrad 508-946-8600 x211 dconrad@sailsinc.org

Location: SAILS Meeting Room

Network Stats

September 2015

Circulation:

Total Items Circulated: 285,313 (-34,330 from Oct.)

Gutenberg: 6

OverDrive Circ: 16,142 (-294 from Oct.)

Tumblebooks Circ: 9,567 (-5,621 from Oct.)

All Formats Circ: 311,028 (-40,277 from Oct.)

Holdings:

Cataloging Requests: 4,459

MARC Records Added: 3,784

Overdrive Holdings: 10,362

Patrons Added: 1,927

Resource Sharing:

CommCat Items Borrowed: 926 (+/-0 from Oct.)

CommCat Items Loaned: 377 (-114 from Oct.)

Total Intranetwork Loans: 61,171 (-6,504 from Oct.)

Patron placed holds: 49,657 (-1,084 from Oct.)

Overdrive holds: 7,443 (Avg. wait for a hold is 22.6 days)

Total MARC: 1,122,976

Total Holdings: 3,669,714

Total Patron: 463,981

