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CSD Presents

 MOCK NEWBERY

Monday, January 26, 2015, 10:00am – 12:30pm  Rescheduled
Caroline County-Denton Branch*

Ever wondered how the award committees choose their winners? Join the Eastern Shore Regional Library and the Children’s Services Division of MLA for a morning of training and discussion about this year’s Newbery contenders. Participants will be required to read 5 children’s books prior to the training, to be prepared to discuss the titles, and to vote for a favorite. See how our selections match up with the winner! Registration is limited and will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Upon completion of the program, MLA will issue each participant an Official Record of Earned Continuing Education Units for 1.5 contact hours for the workshop and discussion. Further awards of clock hours for preparing for the program are at the discretion of library system professional development officers upon receipt of relevant supporting documentation. MLA Professional Development Panel recommends 1 clock hour per book read.

This program has been approved for 1.5 contact hours of continuing education.
*for directions: http://www.carolib.org/content/central-library-denton

CSD Presents

 YOU HAVE A GREAT IDEA! NOW GET IT PUBLISHED

Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 2:00pm – 3:00pm*
Online via Blackboard*

Do you want to write a book or article but don’t know where to start? In this 1-hour webinar, three published authors of resource books and articles for children’s librarians will share the ins and outs of getting published in journals such as School Library Journal and with publishers such as ALA Editions and Libraries Unlimited. Learn about the publishing opportunities that are out there for you, what you’ll need to include in your proposal, and how to get from idea to proposal. Join us and jumpstart your publishing career.

This program has been approved for 1 contact hour of continuing education.
*for link to program: Roberson@hcplonline.org
LDD Presents

Mindful Leadership: The Transformation Power of Now

Wednesday, March 11, 2015, 10:30am – 4:15pm
Howard County-Miller Branch*

Mindfulness is the practice of paying attention to the present moment with an attitude of equanimity, and cultivating the ability to stay calm even in the midst of stress or pain. As more people carry their mindfulness practice into the workplace, some organizations report increases in productivity and a higher number of emotionally intelligent staff. After discussing the why of mindful leadership, this participatory workshop shifts to the how, giving you a chance to practice simple techniques in a safe environment and strategies for sharing these tools with your team.

This program has been approved for 4 contact hours of continuing education.
Registration deadline: March 4th. Refunds cannot be issued after February 25th.

PSD/MAPIG Presents

Maryland Adult Programming Unconference

Thursday, March 19, 2015, 9:00am – 12:30pm
Anne Arundel County Public Library-Broadneck Community Library*
Or
Thursday, April 9, 2015, 9:00am – 12:30pm
Frederick County Public Libraries-Thurmont Branch**

MLA Members: $40. Non-members: $60. Students: $34.

Have you had great adult programs at your library that you’d love to share? Are you looking for new ideas? Do you want to talk to other librarians about what makes a successful adult program? Come discuss adult programming in a flexible, conversational format with staff from around the state. A light breakfast and beverages will be provided; please let us know if you have special dietary needs. The Unconference format depends on you, so come ready to share your ideas and participate in discussion!

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education.
Registration deadlines: March 10th and April 1st.
Refunds cannot be issued after March 5th and March 26th.
*for directions: http://www.aacpl.net/locations/broadneck
**for directions: http://www.fcpl.org/branches-hours/Thurmont-regional-library

DIVISION, INTEREST GROUP, PANEL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

February

1-3 ALA Midwinter, Chicago.
4 TSD Meeting, 10:00am-11:00am, online via Adobe Connect. Contact Martha Zimmerman at mczimmerman@salisbury.edu or 410 677-0110.
5 SSD Meeting, 1:30pm. Baltimore County, Essex Branch. Contact Lou Sica at lsica@bcpl.net.
6 Legislative Panel, 10am-Noon. AACPL Headquarters. Contact Mary Baykan at baykanm@washcolibrary.org or 301 739-3250 x 165.
6 IFAP Meeting, 12:30pm online via Blackboard Collaborate. Contact Monica McAbee at monica.mcabee@pgcmls.info.
9 CSD Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Baltimore County-Woodlawn Branch. Contact Rachel Wright at rwright@ccplnet.org or 410 996-5600.
11 Steering Committee Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. MLA Office. Contact John Venditta at john@esrl.org or 410 742-1537. Note change in date.
11 Conference Committee 2015 Meeting, 2:00pm-4:00pm. MLA office. Contact Julie Zamostny at jzamostny@washcolibrary.org or (301) 739-3250. Note change in date.
17 Radical Reader Kick-off.
MLA Legislative Day, Annapolis MD. See article below.

LDD Webinar, 1:00pm-4:00pm online via Blackboard Collaborate. Contact Daniel Ramirez at Daniel.ramirez@pgcmils.info.

March 6 Legislative Panel, 10:00am-Noon. AACPL Headquarters. Contact Mary Baykan at baykanm@washcolibrary.org or 301 739-3250 x 165.

9 CSD Meeting, 10:00am-12:00pm. St Mary’s County-Charlotte Hall Branch. Followed by Southern Conference. Contact Rachel Wright at rwright@bcpl.net or 410 996-5600.

12 Membership/Marketing Meeting, 1:00pm-2:00pm. Online via Blackboard Collaborate. Contact Joanna Gadsby at gadsby@umbc.edu.

PSD Meeting, 9:30am-12:00pm. BCPL-Landsdowne Branch. Contact Jesse Roth at jroth@aacpl.net

Executive Board Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. MLA Office. Contact John Venditta at john@esrl.org or 410 742-1537.

18 MLLI Planning Committee Meeting, Noon-1:30pm. MLA office. Contact Robert Maranto at rmantino@bcpl.net or 410 887-1451.

18 Conference Committee Meeting, 2:00 pm. MLA Office. Contact Julie Zamostny at jzamostny@washcolibrary.org or 301 739-3250x554.

19 PSD/MAPIG-MD Adult Programming Unconference program, see article above.

26 Technology Committee Meeting, 10:30am-12:00pm. MLA office. Contact Stuart Ragland at sragland@soc.lib.md.us.

Save the dates:
CALS Annual Meeting: April 10, 2015
National Library Legislative Days: May 4-5, 2015

CANCELLATION POLICY FOR PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS

Educational programs and Division/Interest Group meetings will be cancelled or postponed in the event that schools are closed due to weather in the county/city where the event is scheduled to be held. A notice will be recorded on the phone and the website. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring unit to notify the MLA office.

MLA and Timberlake Software
The Maryland Library Association has been transitioning to a new software system for the last month. We have made this decision in order to better serve our membership. The website has been updated with many new links for you. From now on, you will be able to renew your membership as well as register for programs on-line and/or request an invoice automatically for payment. You won’t need to mail in your forms anymore; you will receive your membership reminders by e-mail instead of by US mail, and you will be able to go online and make changes to your directory information yourself. We will be sending out information about this in the next week; we will have the conference brochure up for your registration convenience the first week of February. Please note that all MLA members will have an individual login/password and this will entitle you to access member’s only sections of the MLA website. We are all learning these new steps; please don’t hesitate to contact the MLA office if you have any questions about the new site.

MLA Legislative Day
Wednesday February 18, 2015

Mark your calendars for our annual gathering in Annapolis to promote libraries! We will gather in the Anne Arundel County Law Library and be briefed on issues that will affect libraries and their future budgets. Next, we will process to the State House to be part of the proclamation supporting Maryland Library Day. Plan to meet up with fellow members of your district and meet your elected senator and delegates to discuss bills that will impact your life and/or livelihood. We are looking at many newly elected freshman members, so this is a great time to introduce yourself and let them know about the important role libraries play in your community. At 5:30, we will gather in the Miller Senate Office Building for a reception that will include both the members of the library community and the General Assembly. It is an important and fun day and a wonderful opportunity to network with fellow librarians as well as learn more about our legislative process in Annapolis.
Did you stay up too late on Thursday trying to beat your fellow librarians at the Pub Quiz. Need some exercise to pull yourself together first thing Friday morning? Well, crawl on over to the Sunrise Yoga on the Beach program that will continue for the second morning of the conference. You will need to be level-headed as your first order of business for the day will be either the annual MLA business meeting or the DLA business and division meetings. Don’t worry, we will feed and coffee you at both events! Pop down and visit the vendors before heading off to your first session; this will be your second to last opportunity to bid/check on your favorite items as the auction closes at 10:40am. CSD starts Friday off with a program titled: “Designing Early Learning Spaces” and TSD has a program about genealogy titled “Bring out your Dead- Accessing Genealogical Materials that are Afar”. ACRL-MD will discuss their experience using assessment data to design and implement changes to information literacy instruction in a required writing course. DLDS will present a program on issues, both state and national that they are following and they will give you ideas on how you can get involved. What’s UDL? Come to ACRL-MD’s program and learn! Hint: Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is an instructional design framework focused on accommodating learner variability. Remember the Howard County initiative Choose Civility? Come and learn how Howard County and Southern Maryland have taken the lead in discussions and how libraries are the natural choice to lead these initiatives. Comic Con @ Your Library will let you know what is coming up for the second annual Dover (DE) Comic Con and how it has grown in the past year. Understanding Teen Emotional and Neurological Development and Hack this Petting Zoo are two programs that are geared towards younger patrons. We will have a break at 10:30, (Silent Auction closing) and then head down the final stretch of conference programs. Do you often have patrons approach you with legal questions? Stop by “Law at the Desk: Where to Start” and learn how to assist them. LDD will present their popular winter program titled “Mindful Leadership: The Transformation Power of Now”. End the conference with lunch and a talk-by Joyce Valenza, PhD, on the topic: “Hacking Libraries to Exceed Expectations”. This title is just too intriguing to pass up!
Please register me for the following:
Members in good standing with any of these organizations are eligible to attend MLA programs at the member fee. REFORMA DC, WMPL, CML, CVLA, MASL, MAILL, MD/SLA, DCLA, LLAM, CMCLLD, CALD and DC/SLA

Mock Newbery  
____ Member $15. ____ Non-member $22.50 ____ Student $13.  
January 26, 2015

You Have a Great Idea! Now Get it Published  
____ Member $15. ____ Non-member $23. ____ Student $13.  
February 17, 2015

Mindful Leadership  
____ Member $60. ____ Non-member $90. ____ Student $51.  
March 11, 2015

MD Adult Programming Unconference  
____ Member $40. ____ Non-member $60. ____ Student $34.  
March 19, 2015

MD Adult Programming Unconference  
____ Member $40. ____ Non-member $60. ____ Student $34.  
April 9, 2015

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