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Editor’s Note

Every fall season brings us issue number 1 of another volume of the Crab. Fall 2015, Issue 1, is the first issue in Volume 46. Volume 46, Issue 1 ushers in a new MLA President and thus a new President’s Message in the Crab. I encourage you to take a look at MLA President Mary Hastler’s column (page 5) of the Crab. She speaks to the innovation and initiatives happening in Maryland’s libraries all over the state and offers congratulations to star library systems and people. As well, as having been Editor of the Crab for a number of years, Mary also has the most unique President’s photo that I’ve seen so far! In addition to checking out the President’s Message and photo this issue, you may also want to take a look at our news section, where you’ll find some important notes and announcements from the MLA Office (page 6), including a change in the MLA-DLA Conference venue for 2017! As you’ll see, though, from a photo that appears in this issue, conference planners are already hard at work for the planning of the 15th year of the conference at the Clarion in Ocean City, Maryland in May 2016.

In addition to conference activities, Maryland’s libraries and librarians have been hard at work putting together programming and events. In this issue, be sure to read our cover story about St. Mary’s County’s Family Coding Club, a truly unique program that pairs children and families together to learn technology skills and create wonderful inventions (page 11). There is much more in store for you in this issue—take a look to see what is happening around the state and perhaps in your neck of the woods.

Annette Haldeman, MLA Crab Editor
Department of Legislative Services Library
Libraries are Super Stars!!!

This MLA year is off to a great start! There is much innovation and many new initiatives taking place in Maryland libraries. Congratulations to the University of Maryland’s College of Information Studies, a recipient of a $50,000 National Leadership Grant for Libraries from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). This planning grant will be used to support a meeting to develop specific plans for facilitating virtual reunification of dispersed photograph and image collections in partnership with the Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities.

Congratulations also to Valerie Gross, President and CEO of the Howard County Library, and to Harford County Public Library who are recipients of the Daily Record’s Innovator of the Year Award 2015. Valerie’s passion and commitment on Libraries=Education is well known and is invaluable in establishing all libraries as a force to be reckoned with! Harford County Public Library set a new record this year in receiving The Daily Record Innovator of the Year Award for the third year in a row for its Innovation Lab. An incredible team of library staff launched the Innovation Lab in under six months, which included securing a $25,000 sponsorship, designing, planning, and marketing, as well as gutting a hard-wired computer lab and repurposing it as a digital media lab. As well, this endeavor also entailed staff learning how to use 3-D printers, video production software, professional green screen, and other technologies and then training customers in the use of these technologies.

Neil Gaiman is quoted as saying, “Libraries are about Freedom. Freedom to read, freedom of ideas, freedom of communication. They are about education (which is not a process that finishes the day we leave school or university), about entertainment, about making safe spaces, and about access to information.” It is our job to be relentless by getting the word out about what we do and how we change lives. It is critical that we are celebrated and our value acknowledged by the world outside the library because this is the world our funders and customers inhabit.

Join me in congratulating University of Maryland College of Information Studies; Valerie Gross, CEO & President, Howard Public Library; and Harford County Public Library. Let’s also congratulate Cecil County Public Library the recipient for the 2015 National Medal for Museum and Library Service. I challenge everyone to tell one person, who is not in the library field, about one of these recognitions or award and see if you get a “wow” or “I didn’t know libraries did that” in response. Or…tell your own story about a special recognition at your library and see what response you get!

See you at the library!
Conference Moving to Cambridge in 2017

Plans are underway for the 2017 Maryland Library Association conference to be held at the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Hotel in Cambridge, Maryland. More room was needed for conference breakout sessions, so a contract has been signed to use this beautiful facility, which has a great deal to offer as a resort location. The cost of using this new facility will be comparable to that of the Clarion Resort Hotel, the conference’s present location in Ocean City, Maryland.

The Clarion Resort Hotel hosted the MLA conference for 14 years. Their service was outstanding and the staff was very friendly and conscientious, which made the decision to move a difficult one. However, the need for added space was an overriding motivator in making this change.

Be sure to join MLA in celebrating its 15th year at the Clarion Resort Hotel in May 2016. The conference is taking shape and will have something for everyone.

Learning the New Timberlake Membership Software

As you may recall, back in January 2015, the Maryland Library Association migrated to a new software system that is linked to the MLA website. The MLA technology committee felt members should have more access to their records, and Timberlake allows members to connect to the MLA website with its data management system.

In August, MLA introduced its members to a new program registration form that allows for the use of promotion codes more liberally than in the past. Members are also able to easily generate an invoice for themselves. Also, members are still able to renew their own memberships, update pertinent member information, and check Continuing Education Units (CEUs).

However, there have been some adjustments. Timberlake only generates membership renewals by email, and several people have called the office to ask about their mailed notices. Please be aware that the MLA office stopped mailing notices in February. It has also been found that some members are bypassing the renewal section and joining MLA again. This creates a problem down the line since the computer program will not allow connection of a member’s past membership with a new registration. If the MLA office does not catch this and update the information, a member’s past history—including all CEUs—will not show up. Members are instructed to call the office if there is a problem. Most of the time, it is a simple password issue that can be solved immediately.

Other members have gone online, renewed and registered, and then failed to take the next step and pay! MLA will generate an invoice for those members, if they did not take that step already. Please be aware that the MLA office will delete any unpaid memberships after a grace period.

Don’t be embarrassed if you can’t get into the new system. Your member login is your email address as of January 2015. If you have changed your email address since January, use your prior address as your username. Your password is your last name and the year you joined MLA as one word. For example, Mary Smith’s login would be msmith@carr.org and her password would be Smith2014. If you don’t know the year that you joined MLA, call the office! After you log in for the first time, you can change your password.

Feel free to contact the MLA office if you have trouble logging in or with any other questions. MLA staff is happy to assist you in navigating through the new system.
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The conference was held at the Moscone Convention Center with a total attendance of 22,696 registrants and exhibitors. This conference surpassed the 2014 Annual in Las Vegas, which had 19,889, and was just under Chicago’s 2013 Annual with 23,545. As usual, the ALA and convention center staff orchestrated a well-ordered chaos!

On Saturday at the Council Information Session, we heard several annual reports, including those from President Courtney Young, President-Elect Sari Feldman, and Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels. The organization continues to stabilize after the recession; although total membership (55,419 as of May) is down slightly, three divisions and 10 roundtables have increased membership in the last year. Fiels noted that student enrollment in library programs is down, but ALA has grown its joint student membership program, adding 12 new state associations for a total of 38 states, to expand membership among emerging librarians.

The Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) and Treasurer Mario Gonzalez reported on the fiscal health of the association. Thus far in FY 2015 (which runs Oct 1–Sept 30), ALA is operating in the black with revenue exceeding expenses by approximately $85,000 as of April 30. The association endowment is up approximately $4 million from April 2014. Next year’s preliminary budget reflects the strategic directions outlined in ALA’s new
strategic plan (advocacy, information policy and professional/leadership development), including programmatic priorities including advocacy of libraries and the profession, intellectual freedom, literacy, diversity, equitable access and transforming libraries. Expenses will include two division conferences in FY2016 (PLA and AASL) as well as a “spend down” year for ACRL prior to their Spring 2017 conference. The budget will also provide for a 2% salary increase for ALA staff and $250,000 to support technology. For FY 2016, Treasurer Gonzalez proposed a budgetary ceiling (net assets + revenues) of $29.4 million in the general fund; $30.2 million for divisions; $2 million for round tables; $3.9 million in grants and awards; and $1.7 million in investment income for a total association budget of approximately $67 million.

Sunday’s Council I, operating under the newly approved Robert’s Rules of Order, focused on a discussion of the implementation of ALA’s new strategic plan and a review of actions by the Executive Board since midwinter, which included approval of the FY2016 budget, the decision to increase the number of Spectrum Scholars from 50 to 60, and the approval of the joining of United for Libraries and ALA.

In new business, Council approved a recommendation from the Committee on Organization (COO) to change the term of Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) membership to a maximum of four non-consecutive years.

The final Council III took place on Tuesday, June 30. Councilors heard a number of tributes and memorials, including one I submitted acknowledging the work of the Pratt Library, particularly the Pennsylvania Avenue Branch, during the unrest in Baltimore following the death of Freddie Gray.

Council then heard a report from the Intellectual Freedom committee and passed all three of its proposed action items on Internet filtering, labeling systems and rating systems.

I continue to keep up with ALA and Council activities electronically and will continue to update you on important news via MaryLib. If any of you have comments and concerns about ALA, please feel free to talk to me about them—I want to hear from you.
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Native Voices explores the interconnectedness of wellness, illness and cultural life for Native Americans, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. Stories drawn from both the past and present examine how health for Native People is tied to community, the land and spirit. Through interviews, Native People describe the impact of epidemics, federal legislation, the loss of land and the inhibition of culture on the health of Native individuals and communities today.

The opportunity is open to public libraries, academic libraries, tribal libraries, tribal college libraries and special libraries. Libraries serving Native populations are especially invited to apply, and partnerships between libraries and Native-serving organizations are encouraged. The exhibition will tour from February 2016 through June 2020.

For full guidelines and to apply online, visit https://apply.ala.org/nativevoices. Applications are due Nov. 6, 2015.

Up to 104 selected sites will receive:

• a traveling exhibition for a six-week loan period;
• a $250 programming grant;
• training through a required project webinar and online project support materials; and
• a publicity kit to help with local promotion.

Native Voices requires 35 linear feet of display space and comprises six standing banners, six iPads pre-loaded with video content, and six iPad stands. No internet connection is required, but an electrical connection is needed.

Native Voices: Native Peoples’ Concepts of Health and Illness was displayed at the NLM in Bethesda, Maryland, from 2011 to 2015. To learn more and view content from the exhibition, visit http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nativevoices.

The American Library Association is the oldest and largest library association in the world, with approximately 58,000 members in academic, public, school, government and special libraries. The mission of the American Library Association is to provide leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

The National Library of Medicine (NLM), on the campus of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, has been a center of information innovation since its founding in 1836. The world’s largest biomedical library, NLM maintains and makes available a vast print collection and produces electronic information resources on a wide range of topics that are searched billions of times each year by millions of people around the globe. It also supports and conducts research, development and training in biomedical informatics and health information technology. In addition, the Library coordinates a 6,000-member National Network of Libraries of Medicine that promotes and provides access to health information in communities across the United States.
Superheroes Converge on Fletcher Library in Hagerstown for Comic Con 2015

Patricia Wishard, Washington County Free Library

WASHINGTON COUNTY FREE LIBRARY’S COMIC CON 2015 was the place to be on Saturday, August 8. Superheroes could be found chatting with their fans in every nook and cranny at the Fletcher Library in downtown Hagerstown. While Captain America, Cat Woman, Superman, Clone Trapper, and Spiderman met with enthusiastic fans on the second floor, Harley Quinn, Deadpool, Scorpion, Dr. McCoy, Maleficent and others talked with their friends and admirers on the third floor. Over 150 of our favorite superheroes made the Fletcher their base of operation for the day as they visited with the nearly 7,000 people who passed through the Fletcher’s doors during event hours.

The day included a workshop on the Art of Cosplay and another one on drawing superhero characters, a vendor area where devotees could buy everything superhero, and a costume contest. Superhero devotees created over 60 pieces of art in the Fan Art Room and others enjoyed video games in the Gaming Room.

During the day children transformed themselves into superheroes by decorating a superhero mask and a superhero chest shield. They were given a cape to complete their makeovers. Many will treasure both the pictures taken in the photo booth featuring a cityscape background and those taken with their favorite superheroes throughout the day.

As the day drew to a close, over 100 superheroes took part in the costume contest. Fans cheered on their favorites as they paraded down the Fletcher’s spiral staircase. Contest winners received gift cards to 2nd and Charles bookstore in Hagerstown and passes to Geppi’s Entertainment Museum in Baltimore.

Don’t worry if you missed the fun this year. Young Adult Associate Cindi Powell and her creative team are already planning Comic Con 2016. :^)
St. Mary’s County Library System Hosts Family Coding Club

Eric Variz, St. Mary’s County Library

Amid the hustle and bustle that occurs during the summer months, the St. Mary’s County Library system hosted four sessions designed to teach families the basics of coding.

FAMILY CODING CLUB was made possible by a partnership between the Division of Library Development & Services and two Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education organizations, Code in the Schools and FutureMakers. The program was originally planned with the requirement that participants attend all 4 sessions, so learning and activities could build from week to week. Unfortunately, families were not able to commit to four straight Saturdays in mid-summer. Changing to an open drop-in format let families participate as much as they were able.

Each Saturday for four weeks in July and August, two representatives from FutureMakers made long trip from Baltimore to Leonardtown, where the library’s Public Technology Assistant, John Guadalajara, joined them in setting up a computer programming and invention lab. St. Mary’s County Library provided the space and the equipment from its mobile Laptop Lab, and FutureMakers provided everything else—even a pizza lunch!

While other coding classes are typically geared towards either children or adults, these sessions were uniquely designed to teach the basics of coding to families. Adults were expected to stay in the room and experiment alongside their children.

Coding Club was based on the Family Creative Learning model developed at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), which encourages parents and children to learn together,—as designers and inventors,—through the use of creative technologies like Scratch and the MaKey MaKey. Scratch is a free programming language (also developed at MIT) that makes learning the elements of coding very easy due to its extremely user-friendly interface. The MaKey MaKey is a device that can be used to turn everyday objects, from bananas to balls of Play-Doh, into touchpads.

Using these two tools under the guidance of mentors from FutureMakers, families put their imaginations to the test to develop their own inventions. Throughout the four sessions, a lot of unique devices took shape and everyone had a lot of fun along the way. Most important, each family walked away with newfound knowledge and excitement about coding, engineering, and inventing together.

For more information, you can visit the following websites:
FutureMakers: http://kidsmakethingsbetter.com/
Code in the Schools: http://www.codeintheschools.org/
Scratch: https://scratch.mit.edu/
MaKey MaKey: http://www.makeymakey.com/
Solar Wind Affects Earth in Beautiful and Challenging Ways

By Ethan Siegel

As Earth spins on its axis, our planet’s interior spins as well. Deep inside our world, Earth’s metal-rich core produces a magnetic field that spans the entire globe, with the magnetic poles offset only slightly from our rotational axis. If you fly up great distances well above Earth’s surface you’ll find that this magnetic web—called the magnetosphere—is no longer spherical. It not only bends away from the direction of the sun at high altitudes, but exhibits some very strange features, all thanks to the effects of our parent star.

The sun isn’t just the primary source of light and heat for our world. It also emits an intense stream of charged particles—known as the solar wind—and has its own intense magnetic field that extends much farther into space than that of our own planet. The solar wind travels fast, making the 150 million km (93 million mile) journey to our world in around three days, and is greatly affected by Earth. Under normal circumstances, our world’s magnetic field acts like a shield for these particles, bending them out of the way of our planet and protecting plant and animal life from this harmful radiation.

But for every action, there’s an equal and opposite reaction. As our magnetosphere bends the solar wind’s ions, these particles also distort our magnetosphere, creating a long magnetotail that not only flattens and narrows, but whips back and forth in the onrushing solar wind. These particles are so diffuse that collisions between them practically never occur. But the electromagnetic interactions create waves in Earth’s magnetosphere, which grow and then transfer energy to other particles. The charged particles travel within this magnetic field toward both poles, and when they hit the ionosphere region of Earth’s upper atmosphere, they collide with ions of oxygen and nitrogen, causing aurora.

Missions such as the European Space Agency and National Aeronautics and Space Administration Cluster mission have just led to the first accurate model of magneto sonic waves at the equator. This is just one example of the interactions that cause Earth’s magnetotail to whip around in the wind.

The shape of Earth’s magnetic field not only affects aurorae, but can also impact satellite electronics. Understanding its shape and how the magnetosphere interacts with the solar wind can also lead to more accurate predictions of energetic electrons near Earth that can disrupt our technological infrastructure. As our knowledge increases, we may someday be able to reach one of the long sought goals of connecting the study of the Sun’s physics to Earth: forecasting and accurately predicting space weather and its effects. Thanks to the Cluster Inner Magnetosphere Campaign, Van Allen Probes, Mars Odyssey Thermal Emission Imaging System, Magnetospheric Multiscale, and Heliophysics System Observatory missions, we’re closer to this than ever before.

Kids can learn about how solar wind defines the edges of our solar system at NASA Space Place. Go to http://spaceplace.nasa.gov/interstellar.

Image credit: ESA / C. T. Russell (L), of Earth’s magnetic tail and its cause: the solar wind; Southwest Research Institute / IBEX Science Team (R), of the first image of the plasma sheet and plasmasphere created around Earth by the solar wind.
MLA/DLA 2016 Conference Planning Underway

Left to right:
Cathay Keogh,
(DLA Executive Director);
Margaret Carty,
(MLA Executive Director);
Andrea Berstler,
(MLA Conference Director).

Sneaks!

Irene Padilla and Dennis Nangle from the Division of Library Development and Services (DLDS) at the MACo Conference with Sneaks on August 13, 2015.
**Frederick County Launches a New Way to Learn**

**Lynette Parish, Frederick County Public Libraries**

In May, Frederick County Public Libraries (FCPL) made the decision to purchase and circulate Playaway Launchpads, exciting pre-loaded learning tablets created specifically for children. Each Launchpad comes with educational, ad-free learning apps grouped by age, grade level, subject area, and theme. Not only are apps tremendously popular, but there is increasing evidence that they help users develop skills such as reading, vocabulary, logical thinking, manual dexterity, multi-tasking, strategy development, problem solving and team work. FCPL has a variety of Launchpads to choose from with popular subject areas and themes. Most of the titles purchased had records in OCLC, with the rest being created by an in-house cataloger. The word “launchpad” was added to the title for ease of searchability for patrons and staff. In addition, both mobile apps and tablets are listed in subject fields for patrons not familiar with the Launchpad brand.

Launchpads circulate in vendor provided cases with a charger and a protective bumper. Devices are kept behind the circulation desk. Empty CD cases with a description of what a Launchpad is, the title theme, and a list of apps are placed in the sleeve and are displayed for patron browsing. Patrons choose their title and bring the empty case to the circulation desk to retrieve their device.

“We know that kids and teens need technology skills to succeed in school and in their future careers,” says Janet Vogel, Youth Services Coordinator. “Playaway Launchpads give us the opportunity to share educational content in a new way that appeals to kids and also helps them become more familiar with tablet technology, and they’re just plain fun!”

Launchpads debuted at Frederick County Public Libraries on August 1. Since that time, patron response has been positive and demand for devices has surged past children’s Playaway Views, personal pre-loaded video devices. In the two months since its inception, devices are rarely off the holds list. Due to their popularity, the library will be expanding the Launchpad collection from its current sole age group of 5-7 to include tablets geared to age groups 3-5 and 8-10 by later Fall of this year.

**Kindling a Different Way to Circulate Popular Titles**

**Maggie Dull, University of Baltimore Langsdale Library**

The Kindle program at the Goucher College Library began with a pilot project back in March 2012 and was developed and organized by Digital Systems and Services Librarian Kristen Welzenbach. A variety of different Kindle models are loaded with titles, both free and purchased by the library, and circulate for 14 days to members of the Goucher community. The success of the project led to an increase in the number of Kindles from four to six, including the addition of a Kindle Paperwhite. For the readers themselves, catalogers used the best copy cataloging that could be found in OCLC for the devices, though local subject headings were also added. Each Kindle is circulated in a bag with charger. A luggage tag on the bag describes the kind of Kindle, contents of the bag, and has the barcode needed for checkout. The Kindles reside behind the Circulation Desk in a cabinet that was repurposed to fit a power strip inside, so that the Kindles can be charged...
while they await checkout.

Each Kindle is loaded with a variety of titles (over 250 as of this writing), mostly recreational or popular fiction and nonfiction or titles by visiting speakers and the AEA (Administrative Employee Association) Book Club. After titles are purchased, the Kindles are individually synced to the Library’s account. Users are not able to load their own titles to the Kindles or purchase titles, though they are encouraged to submit suggestions to the Library. Each title is fully cataloged in OCLC and then brought into the Millennium Integrated Library System (ILS). If suitable copy cataloging for an electronic version of a title cannot be found, the next option would be to derive, in OCLC, a new e-version record from the print and catalog per provider-neutral guidelines. There were, however, a number of titles for which a print record could not be found and an original record was created from scratch. The item records for the Kindles themselves are linked to all of the bibliographic records for the synced titles, meaning that once a Kindle is checked out, that information is reflected on every Kindle title.
MLA is now offering three terrific blends of coffee. If you find one to your liking, visit Cabin Creek Roasters and use the “Shop” menu to order today!

Enjoy these unique coffees while enriching the programs and services of the Maryland Library Association.

**Margaret’s Choice** is 100% Arabica Coffee grown in Brazil and fresh roasted by our Roastmaster at Cabin Creek Roasters. The varieties used to produce this bird friendly coffee are among the highest quality producing Arabica beans available: Yellow and Red Bourbon, Yellow and Red Catuai, and Red Mundo Novo. In the cup it produces stable and naturally medium body with berries, dark chocolate and a hint of nuts. The stability and sweetness of this coffee makes for a rich taste that lingers smoothly in the aftertaste.

Readers’ Brew is 100% Arabica Coffee grown in Guatemala and fresh roasted by our Roastmaster at Cabin Creek Roasters. This Fair Trade and Organic coffee, a blend of Bourbon, Caturra, Catuai beans, evokes ripe cherries in balance with chocolate and spices. In the cup it produces a mild, balanced coffee with nice body, and excellent floral tones and fruitiness.

Dewey’s Decaf is 100% Arabica Coffee grown in Mexico and fresh roasted by our Roastmaster at Cabin Creek Roasters. This Swiss Water Processed Decaf produces a smooth/rich cup with a very strong chocolate bottom and a little sweeter top for a medium/full body taste. All this taste makes it hard to believe that it’s decaffeinated.
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Offer weeded items from your collection to others...Ask a question!

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