President’s Report

- Unit report submitted.
- Thursday October 1 - multi division training/networking event @ Arbutus, 10-1.
  - Jim Macgill (Donna’s husband) from 211 Maryland is one of speakers.
  - Jim needs to use the branch projection equipment. Tina will ensure that someone at Arbutus is available to assist in setting that up if necessary.
  - We don’t have registration numbers yet. Registration deadline is Sept 25.

Interest Groups

- RAIG – has been very active on their listserv.
- TIG – organizational chart says they currently have no chair.
- OSIG – has been trying to stay active on Facebook and Twitter.
- MAPIG – Tracy working on their work plan. Will do unconference again.

MLA Conference

- No programs will be held in suites or the Captains Quarters in 2016.
- Will need to pare down the number of programs we offer. Options are:
  - Sandy Brewer – Howard County Circuit Court - access to justice at public libraries.
  - Pratt Social Sciences Department – (panel discussion) - utilizing connections between libraries and communities.
    - This was done at the 2015 conference so we don’t want to repeat it. Perhaps this would work as a webinar or other virtual program?
  - Barbara Thorpe – Calvert Library – (lecture) - connect library customers to community activities. Present their model of connecting to organizations in their community (library card gets you access to the pool, the gym, )
  - Janet Vogel – Frederick County – “Traditional to Transformed” – creating an interactive summer reading program for all ages, engaging local businesses and community organizations, and increasing participation.
  - It was unanimous: Barbara’s and Janet’s programs are our top choices.
  - 2016 Conference is May 4-6 @ Clarion. (It will be our last year there)
Reminder

- December meeting is being held at the MLA office!
- Virtual participation is available via Blackboard.
  - Tina will email info about dialing in, accessing room, and the pin number.

Future programs

- Homelessness - resources to help (Sue Bull), someone from another county as well?
- Social Media – possibly partner with SMUG to do program about keeping your accounts safe, how to utilize different types of social media, whether there may be hidden pitfalls, and what are some best practices
  - When should we do this? Preconference?

Round the Table

- How does someone become an official member of PSD?
- How does someone get to be on the Steering Committee?
- Is someone just on the listserv considered to be a member of PSD?
- WHO should be listed on the roster, just Steering Committee members?
  - Who maintains the PSD roster that is linked to from MLA website?
- Use social media as an invitation to the December meeting. Keep the idea out there by multiple emails, Facebook posts, tweets, etc.
- Use social media to talk about what PSD does, how they can get involved, what ideas or suggestions they have, and ask what programs they would like to see.
- Jennifer Jones has volunteered to be the next VP.
- Maria said the Towson Library (BCPL) did a Paint Night, but served coffee instead of wine. She thinks the Friends group paid for supplies. It was a success.
- Has anyone done, or considered doing, a Coloring Program for adults?
- Howard County did an “After-hours Adult Recess” program with Corn hole, Giant Jinga, DDR, and Hide and Seek in the Stacks. It was great fun.

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