Casual Get Together, Wednesday July 19th 2017

SLA Silicon Valley Chapter would like to invite local information professionals to a casual get-together at SP2 Communal Bar & Restaurant in downtown San Jose on Wednesday July 19.

Join us for this post-conference mixer and enjoy the opportunity to spend the evening with your informational professional.
As you may remember, our SV-SF Joint Meeting has typically been around this time of year. This year is San Francisco’s turn to host/plan the event, but unfortunately they have been unable to secure a location that was amenable to the entire membership. So the meeting is postponed until later this year while they continue their search. Stay tuned!

Not to fret, though! We are hosting a pre-annual meeting mixer at Dan Gordon’s in downtown Palo Alto! Join us on Tuesday, June 13, from 5:30 – 8:00 to catch up with your fellow members, exchange meeting plans if you’re going, or get useful advice from those who have been before. As always, first drink is on us! Please RSVP directly to me if you think you’ll be there so we have an approximate head count.

Lastly, by now everyone should have received the link for the joint membership survey. If you have already completed it, thank you! If you have not, please do so by June 9. It only takes a few minutes and will help both boards as we work toward envisioning an integrated future for our region.

Hope to see you there!

Bridget
Innovating Communication in Scholarship, a UC Davis IFHA (Interdisciplinary Frontiers in the Humanities and Arts) project, invites you to:

**AN OPEN DIGITAL SOUTH: RISKS AND REWARDS**

Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 9:00 AM PDT

- to -

Friday, May 26, 2017 at 3:00 PM PDT

UC Davis School of Law
400 Mrak Hall Drive
Davis, CA 95616

(also to be livestreamed and recorded)

[Register here](https://www.ucdavis.edu/visit/plan-your-visit/). The event will be livestreamed on the web and recorded.

This conference explores the promises and risks of openness in scholarship in relationship to the Global South. Research and scholarship are increasingly adopting ‘open’ models of practice and sharing, such as open access publications, open data, and open source software. This openness supports improved research reusability, reproducibility, and visibility, and seeks to address barriers to equitable access, and to foster global intellectual conversations. But do attempts at promoting openness in scholarship create new forms of exclusion or hierarchy in various regions of the world? How are Southern scholars and publishers’ experiences with open access and open data taken into account within conversations on developing standards and models for ‘open’ scholarship in the Global North? Are there unanticipated opportunities or risks created through the implementation of models for open data, open software, or open access to research?

The event is free and open to the public. Visitors can find information on accommodation and more at [https://www.ucdavis.edu/visit/plan-your-visit/](https://www.ucdavis.edu/visit/plan-your-visit/). The event will be livestreamed on the web and recorded.

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**2016 Holiday Party & Business Meeting**

Posted on December 20, 2016.

Much enjoyment was had by all at the 2016 Holiday Party & Business Meeting. Past-president Helen Josephine was surprised by a cupcake on her birthday. Long time member and sponsor George Plosker announced his retirement.

Sponsors were 451 Research, IDC, IEEE, Forrester, Questel/Orbit, Soutron Global, and Springer Nature.

**Awards**

The winner of the **Vendor Award** for 2016 was **Soutron Global**. President & CEO Tony Saadat always is eager to provide financial support for our events. They go above and beyond, too, advertising Chapter happenings they sponsor to their client base and offering complimentary tickets to email respondents.

The **Mark H. Baer Award** was established in 1990 to recognize a San Andreas Chapter member who has contributed to the Chapter or to the profession either during the current year or throughout their career. The winner this year is **Mary-Ellen Petrich**. She has made many long-term contributions to the chapter, and has served as the webmaster for the chapter for the past five years. She is a responsive team player that reliably maintains the website and the organization of digital assets and gets new board members on board each year. This year she was an essential collaborator the the redesign of the website navigation and
kept us on track with the transition to SLA Connect.

The **President’s Award** was established in 2006 for the Chapter President to recognize a member for service. This year the award goes to **Rory Dougan** who came on board as sponsorship chair mid way through the year. He’s taken on the role with full gusto and is incredibly committed to representing our chapter in the best possible light.

**Leadership Changes**

2017 will bring changes. Outgoing chapter officers are Past-President Cory Laurence, Programming & Tours Chair Chrystell Browman, and Communications Committee chair Cybil Schroder. Many thanks for their wonderful contributions over the past year.

Continuity is a strength of our organization. In 2017 some officers will be shifting to new rolls or will be continuing. President-elect Bridget Thrasher will become President. President Elisa Ewing will become Past-President. Continuing officers are Secretary & Treasurer Valerie Sweeley, Website/Blog Lead Mary-Ellen Petrich, Vendor Relations Chair Rory Dougan, and Hospitality Chair Helen Josephine.

Incoming officers confirmed at the business meeting are President-Elect Stefanie Vartabedian, Communications Committee Chair Carlos Medina, and Programming & Tours Chair Sara Brylowski. Congratulations!

Great food at *Silicon Valley's Annual Holiday Party, Tuesday December 13th at Union82, in Mountain View.*

Awards given by chapter officers Cory Laurence and Bridget Thrasher.

Three past presidents: Phil Gust, Kathe Gust, and Cory Laurence.
Carol Donahue, Bernadette St. John, and Libby Trudell.

Three past presidents: Helen Josephine, Kathe Gust, and Libby Trudell.

Three winners of the Mark H. Baer Award: Phil Gust, Mary-Ellen Petrich, and Kathe Gust.

2016 Annual Holiday Party

Photos from the 13 December 2016 SLA Silicon Valley Annual Holiday Party. Photos courtesy of George Plosker.
These photos courtesy of George Plosker.

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2016 Holiday Party — Vendor Award for Soutron Global

Posted on December 20, 2016.

This year the chapter gave the vendor award to Tony Saadat, to President and CEO of Soutron Global. The support and interest that Tony and Soutron Global have shown to our chapter has been invaluable. They have always been eager to provide financial support for our events, and even more, they have advertised chapter happenings to their client base and offering complimentary tickets to email respondents.

Tony Saadat with the Chapter’s Past-President Cory Laurence and President-Elect Bridget Thrasher.

Vendor Award for Soutron Global

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**No-host Dinner at Internet Librarian in Monterey, Monday October 26 7 PM**

Posted on October 1, 2015.

Members and friends of the SLA Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA are invited to this annual dinner at Krua Thai in Monterey during Internet Librarian on Monday October 26 at 7 PM. The camaraderie is delightful, the food is good, the prices are reasonable, they do separate checks, and it’s only about a 12-15 minute easy walk from the conference center.

Please let me know if you are coming soon, and no later than Friday October 23 when the final headcount is needed. No need to RSVP unless your answer is YES, I’m Coming. Use the link below.

Evite to No-host Dinner at Internet Librarian in Monterey, Monday October 26 7 PM

Thanks!
Ann Jacobson

Posted in Meetings1 Comment

**SLA- SV Meet & Greet**

Posted on August 26, 2015.

**SLA-SV’s Meet & Greet**

**New Location**

**Scratch** in Downtown Mountain View

**Tomorrow, August 27th, 6pm**

First drink is on us!

You’re invited to attend’s SLA-SV’s annual networking event. Come meet the board, reconnect with old colleagues, and make some new friends. This a great event, especially for those who are interested in future chapter participation.

August 27th, 6pm at Scratch, located in Downtown Mountain View.

Hope to see you there!
–SLA- SV Board

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**New SLA-SV Book Club!**

Posted on June 24, 2015. Tags: book club, Events

I know it’s odd for me (a newly-minted librarian) to say, but I’ve never been a part of a book club before. I’m usually more of a fiction reader, and I don’t often feel a need to discuss fiction. But there’s a lot of reading to be done as a librarian, and it’s the kind of reading that is really enhanced with discussion. I saw the real benefit of this last year when I read Sheryl Sandberg’s Lean In and convinced the mentoring group to read and discuss it with me. We had such a great time bouncing ideas off of each other that we all agreed that it would be great to do it again with another book.

We’re holding the kick-off event on July 30 @ 6 pm at Billy Berk’s in San Jose (registration here). Our guest of honor is our very own chapter member, Dr. Sandra Hirsh, who will be talking to us about her new book, Information Services Today: An Introduction. We’ll even be raffling off a couple of copies of her book! The book covers a lot of ground, including a “broad overview of the transformation of libraries as information organizations, why these organizations are more important today than ever before, the technological influence on how we provide information resources and services in today’s digital and global environment, and the various career opportunities available for information professionals.” (from the publisher’s site). There is an accompanying webcast series as well. Check it out for yourself, being sure not to miss the ‘tabs’ for more information, including book details, author, TOC, and more.

While registration is limited for the kick-off event, the book club will be open to all who are interested. I’d like to run it similar to the dine-arounds: if you feel up to hosting, please let me know in the form here. If you would simply like to attend a book club (whether you read the book or not!), that is totally fine, too. If you do sign up to host, I’ll be in touch with you to figure out timing, etc. I’m open to us reading shorter articles, rather than full-length books, too.

Finally, I’m experimenting with how to run this, so I’ve started a Facebook group (just click on “Join Group”). It’s open to all Silicon Valley chapter members, whether you make it to a book club event or not. I figure it could be a great forum to publicize events, suggest readings, and discuss what we’ve read.

I hope that you’ll join me. I’m really looking forward to hearing what others are reading, what you think about what you’ve read, and what else you’d recommend.

Registration for kick-off event: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GDYQKB5
Register interest in book club: http://goo.gl/forms/JRPCxnu6LL
Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/829306707123574/

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Joint Meeting Recap

Posted on June 13, 2015.
This year’s Joint Meeting, hosted by our sister SLA chapter, San Francisco was a fun and entertaining evening. Special thanks to Sarah Cook, San Francisco’s Programming Coordinator for making this enchanting evening happen.

Our guest speaker was California’s State Librarian, Greg Lucas. While his appointment was controversial, we believe he is, and will continue to serve our state’s library system (and if you’re currently a MLIS student at San Jose State, you may have him as a class mate).

His focus is on raising California’s literacy for our most vulnerable populations: children who face socio-economic difficulty, those who are non-native English speakers, and our state’s prison population. He is also dedicated to to promoting the state’s wonderful resources and collections, such as the Sutro Library, located in San Francisco.

He is an entertaining, funny and has an incredibly charming personality. We felt so lucky to have had him as our special guest, and it will be difficult to top next year! If you’re interested to learn more about the collections of California’s State Library, please visit their website: www.library.ca.gov

A shout-out to all the sponsors which made this event possible: IEEE, Ravel Law, Phoenix Translations, Taylor & Associates and Soutron Global.

**A Night to Remember with State Librarian, Greg Lucas!**

Posted on April 21, 2015.

**Register for our Joint Meeting with the SF Bay Region Chapter**

*Thursday, May 28, 2015, 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm*

*Fattoria e Mare, 1095 Rollins Rd, Burlingame, CA*

Please join us for a night to remember with special guest California State Librarian, Greg Lucas! This is a unique opportunity to hear a leader of libraries speak. Prepare to be engaged!

Greg Lucas was appointed California State Librarian by Governor Jerry Brown on March 25, 2014. Besides collecting and preserving California’s history and culture, the State Library – founded in 1850 – provides access to books for visually impaired
Californians and conducts research into an array of areas at the request of lawmakers and the governor. The State Librarian also advocates for literacy, librarians, and California’s 1,185 libraries.

California possesses one of the most important history collections in the United States. The collection begins with artifacts dating to 1540 and continues through the present. There are books, newspapers, lithographs, and campaign memorabilia as well as 4,500 maps and 250,000 photographs.

Previously, Greg was a senior editor at Capitol Weekly and a freelance writer. He created the blog, California’s Capitol, www.californiascapitol.com, in 2007. He is also a Friends of the California Archives board member.

During 19 years covering the state Capitol for the San Francisco Chronicle, Greg wrote nearly 3,000 articles on everything from presidential politics to the introduction of prune burgers in school cafeterias. He was also a ride operator on Pirates of the Caribbean at Disneyland.

He has a Bachelor’s degree in Communications from Stanford University and a Masters degree in Professional Writing from the University of Southern California.

**Agenda for Thursday, May 28, 2015**

- 5:30 – 6:30 Registration, networking and appetizers
- 6:30 – 7:00 SLA-SF announcements
- 7:00 – 8:00 Program with Q&A following

**Menu**

A variety of delicious foods in a buffet-style

**SLA Program Cost**

*Early Bird Special*

- $30 for members
- $50 for non-members
- $25 for student/retiree/between jobs members

*Late registration (after May 15, 2015)*

- $35 for members
- $55 for non-members
- $30 for student/retiree/between jobs members

**Location**

Fattoria e Mare, 1095 Rollins Rd, Burlingame, CA 94010, (650) 342-4923

**DEADLINE:**

Please register by Friday, May 22, 2015. Space is limited so please register as soon as possible.

Register [HERE](#).

**Thank you to our generous sponsors!**

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Register Today! SV/SF Joint Meeting with Jill Strand May 14

Posted on April 28, 2014.

Registration is now open for the Annual SF/SV Joint Program Meeting hosted this year by the Silicon Valley Chapter. Our speaker will be President-Elect Jill Strand. We have a great venue with good food and a private dinning room reserved just for us—the Estate Room of Kingfish at 201 South B Street, San Mateo 94401, located 3 blocks from the San Mateo CalTrain station.

The menu includes:

A sampling of appetizers:

- Crispy Jumbo Prawns
- Filet Mignon Potstickers
- Caprese Skewers

Salad: Baby Salad Bercier with mixed greens, cucumbers, carrots, corn, cherry tomatoes and a sherry vinaigrette.

You will have your choice of one of four entrees:

- The Famous Jamabalaya (big shrimp, sauteed chicken, andouille sausage, PEI mussels, sweet peppers and dirty rice)
- Roasted Chicken Breast (garlic mashed potatoes, pan-drip’n gravy and asparagus)
- Grilled Fresh Atlantic Salmon (sweet corn risotto, mixed greens, herb vinaigrette)
- Wild Mushroom Risotto (Vialoone nano, roasted tomato, locally foraged mushrooms, shaved Paramigiano Reggiano, toasted pine nuts)

Desert: Vanilla Bean Creme Brulee

Cash Bar for beverages, wine, cocktails
Menu choices will be taken by the wait staff on the NIGHT of the event.

Event details and registration

Speaker: Jill Strand, SLA President-Elect on SLA: Further Up & Further In
Date: Wednesday, May 14
– 5:30-6:15 Check-in and networking
– 6:15-7:00 Dinner
– 7:00-8:00 Presentation by Jill Strand

Venue:
Kingfish
201 South B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401 (approximately 3 blocks from the Caltrain station)
650-343-1226
http://www.kingfish.net/
We’ll be in the “Estate Room”.

Registration fees:
– $30 for SLA members
– $25 student/retiree/between jobs members
– $60 for non-members

Registration form and payment options

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Jill Strand featured speaker for the annual joint Silicon Valley–San Francisco Bay Region Chapters’ program

Posted on April 18, 2014.

SLA President-Elect Jill Strand will be visiting the Bay Area on May 14th! Please plan on joining us in San Mateo for dinner, networking, and Jill. You can expect to get Association news along with information about her hopes and dreams for the future. Registration details to follow — but please Save the Date now! Looking forward to seeing you…

Venue:
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650-343-1226
http://www.kingfish.net/
* We’ll be in the “Estate Room”.
Speaker: Jill Strand (SLA President-Elect) “SLA : Further Up & Further In”
Date: May 14 (Wed)
– 5:30-6:15 Check-in and networking
– 6:15-7:00 Dinner
– 7:00-8:00 Presentation by Jill Strand

Registration fees:
– $30 for SLA members
– $25 student/retiree/between jobs members
– $60 for non-members

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Highlights of 2013 Chapter Holiday Party and Annual Business Meeting

Posted on December 28, 2013.

Dear fellow SLA-SV members,

The 2013 SLA Silicon Valley Chapter holiday party and annual business meeting took place last Sunday at Nola’s in Palo Alto. Those who attended the festivities enjoyed the Cajun-style fare at this fun venue. Many said they plan to come back for dinner.

The event was generously sponsored in part by IEEE and Information Express. Thanks to them and to all our generous sponsors who have helped make this year so successful. You’ll find a complete list on the chapter website.

Clockwise: Hors d’oeuvres table with Cajun fare. Philip Gust, Sandy Hirsh, Sonya Dorfman at the party. General party view from 2nd floor balcony. General party view. Rachael Davis (center) and husband (left).

Officer Elections

Congratulations to the 2014 SLA Silicon Valley Chapter board:

President: Mihoko Hosoi
President-Elect: Mary-Lynn Bragg
Past President: Philip Gust
Secretary: Rachael Davis
Treasurer: Kathleen Gust  
Director at large: Cindy Hill  
Director at large: Patricia D’Cruz

Special thanks to the two new board members who were elected by acclamation. **Mary-Lynn Bragg** is a long-time SLA-SV member. She has fifteen years’ experience in academic publishing, and is currently a Senior Manager Client Services at SIPX, Inc. She received the chapter’s Mark H. Baer award in 2007. **Rachael Davis** is a brand new SLA and SLA-SV member who is studying for her MLIS at San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science while working full time as a Circulation and e-Resources Support Specialist in the Stanford University Library System.

Thanks also to board members **Mihoko Hosoi, Kathleen Gust, Cindy Hill**, and **Patricia D’Cruz** for their continued service to the chapter, and to **Linda Yamamoto** for serving as board secretary during the last two years. It has been a privilege to serve as chapter president this year, and I look forward to my new role as past-president.

Please join me in wishing your board success in 2014.

**Announcements**

Following the meeting, I announced that the chapter will be awarding two $1000 scholarships in 2014 to **San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science (SLIS)** students. Watch for more details in early 2014. SLIS Director and chapter member **Sandra Hirsh** thanked the chapter and talked about what this means to SLIS students.

Deb Hunt and David Grossman (Published Member Award – Book)

I also announced that chapter members **Deb Hunt** and **David Grossman** were presenting autographed copies of their book, **The Librarian’s Skillbook: 51 Essential Career Skills for Information Professionals**, to all attendees complements of the chapter. This is a really wonderful professional development resource. Those who missed the party can still purchase print or Kindle versions of the book through Amazon. Highly recommended.

Finally, I announce several committee opportunities, including head of the Tour Committee, assistant chair of the Programming Committee, and additional members of the committees to assist the committee chairs. See the [committee page](#) for more information.

Treasurer Kathleen Gust accepted donations to the **ALA Philippines Library Relief Fund**. The chapter will continue to collect donations on behalf of the fund that will be matched by the chapter until **December 31, 2013**. See the [announcement](#) for details and how to donate.

**Awards**

The awards committee presented the chapter awards. Thanks to **Linda Yamamoto (chair)**, **Margot Diltz**, and **Sonia Dorfman** for serving on the committee this year. See the [Awards page](#) for more information.

Here are the 2013 recipients:
The Mark H. Baer Award was established in 1990 to recognize a chapter member who has contributed to the Chapter or to the profession, either during the current year or throughout their career.

- Luisa Tosi Claeys
- Kathleen Gust

The Lucy Steelman Award was established in 2006 to recognize a chapter member who has mentored colleagues in any number of ways.

- Philip Gust

The President’s Award was established in 2006 for the Chapter President to recognize a Chapter member for service during the course of the year.

- Helen Josephine

Other Chapter Awards
From Left to Right Bruce Antleman, President of Information Express (Vendor Sponsor Award) with awards committee member Margot Diltz. Philip Gust (Published member award – Paper) with awards committee chair Linda Yamamoto.

To all our members, sponsors, and friends, a safe and joyous 2013 holiday season and a very happy new year!

–Philip Gust

Photographs: Philip Gust, Kathleen Gust

Annual Awards and Holiday Party—Sunday, December 15, 2013

Join us on Sunday, December 15th for our annual awards ceremony and holiday party, New Orleans style, with delicious Cajun hors d’oeuvres and southern desserts. We will be honoring our members and awarding the Mark Baer Award, the Lucy Steelman Award, the President’s Award, the Vendor Partner Award and the Publication Award. As an added treat, Deb Hunt and David Grossman will be on hand to sign copies of their new book “The Librarian’s Skillbook: 51 Essential Career Skills for Information Professionals.” In addition the chapter will be accepting checks and donation forms for the ALA Philippines Library Relief Fund. Donations designated for this fund will help to rebuild libraries and archives in the Philippines that were destroyed or damaged by Typhoon Haiyan on November 8, 2013. The chapter will match members donations up to $500 for this effort. See this blog post for more information.

Holiday Party

Where: NOLA in Palo Alto (535 Ramona St., Palo Alto, CA 94301) – a reasonable walk from the Palo Alto train station. NOLA features Cajun food and the event will feature seasonal hors d’oeuvres with a cash bar.

A sampling of the food includes:

Chicken Andouille Gumbo: slow roasted chicken and andouille sausage gumbo with holy trinity, okra and slow cooked dark roux and pearly white rice

Black & Blue Ahi Tacos: two baby cajun spiced seared ahi tacos, jicama, mardi gras slaw, wasabi aioli, pickled ginger, jalapeno rings

Crabamole / Guacamole: smashed avocado, lime juice, cilantro, white onion, jalapeno, with or without dungeness crab, served with crispy tortilla chips

Grindhouse Sliders: chef’s special grind mini burgers, american cheese, house made bbq sauce and bacon jam, served with crispy onion strings

NOLA Frites: crispy russet and sweet potato fries, fried okra, zucchini sticks, jalapeno ranch, spicy ketchup, tam’s bbq sauce

And a sampling of these delicious desserts:
beignets du monde, famous bread pudding, big fat brownie sundae, southern pecan pie, red velvet waffles, paradise pumpkin pie

When: Sunday, December 15th from 5:00-9:00 PM.

Fee: $10 for Silicon Valley Chapter Members
$25 for guests

Registration:
Please register [online] and complete your registration/payment by **WEDNESDAY, December 11, 2013** in order to have an accurate count for catering.

Please consider making your payment through PayPal.

If paying by check, the registration fee is payable to Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA.

Mail your check to arrive by Wednesday, December 11, 2013.

Mail to:
Helen Josephine
Hospitality Committee
SLA Silicon Valley Chapter
P.O. Box 66
Ben Lomond, CA 95005

NOTE: This event is limited to 50 attendees due to the size of the venue.

Thanks to our sponsors, Ieee and Information Express.

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**What makes Google users tick? What does it mean to be literate in the Age of Google?**

Posted on November 5, 2013.

Register Now: November 18th Program with Dr. Dan Russell
“What does it mean to be literate in the Age of Google?”

An evening program with Dr. Dan Russell, Senior Research Scientist, Search Quality & User Happiness, Google

Dan’s Blog
his searching blog “[Search ReSearch](http://searchresearch.com)”
his MOOC “[Advanced Power Searching with Google](http://www.google.com/edu/research)"
or connect with him on [Google+](https://plus.google.com/+Google)

When: Monday, November 18, 2013
Where: Elm Room of the Arrillaga Family Recreation Center, 700 Alma Street, Menlo Park, CA
(Note: the Arrillaga Family Recreation Center is across the parking lot from the Menlo Park Public Library and 2 blocks from the Menlo Park CalTrain station.)

Check In: 6:30 pm
Dinner and Networking: 6:30-7:00 pm
Presentation: 7:00-8:00 pm, followed by Q&A. Event will end at about 8:30 pm

Registration Fee:
SLA Members: $20.00
Non-members/Guests: $30.00
Students/Retired Members $15.00

Registration:
Please register [online] by Friday, November 15, 2013.
[https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZN5827P](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZN5827P)
About the program: Dr. Dan Russell has a blog, a website and a free online class all dedicated to helping Google users be more efficient and effective searchers. Dan will talk about what he has learned from users, what he likes to teach to users, and how you can use these techniques to teach others to search. Each Wednesday on his Search ReSearch blog, Dan posts a Search Challenge that tests your ability to search and then he posts the answers on Thursday. Have a question about how Google search works or how you can use some of the advanced features? Join us on November 18th!

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No wetsuits in the library!—New Adventures in Extreme Embedded Librarianship

Posted on September 11, 2013.

Joe Wible

Register Now: October 9th Program with Dr. Joe Wible
“New Adventures in Extreme Embedded Librarianship.”
An evening program event with Dr. Joe Wible, Librarian of the Harold A. Miller Library and Assistant to the Director of Stanford University’s, Hopkins Marine Station, Pacific Grove, CA.

When: Wednesday, October 9, 2013
Where: Cypress Room of the Arrillaga Family Recreation Center, 700 Alma Street, Menlo Park, CA
This location is just across Ravenswood Ave, from the Menlo Park Caltrain.
Shares a parking lot with the Menlo Park Public Library.

Check In: 6:30 pm
Dinner and Networking: 6:30-7:30 pm (Italian Buffet incl. vegetarian options)
Presentation: 7:30-8:30 pm followed by Q&A. Event will end at about 8:45 pm.

Registration Fee:
SLA Members: $20.00
Non-members/Guests: $30.00
Students: $15.00
Retired SLA Members: $15.00

Registration:
Please register online by Monday, October 7, 2013.
http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7YZSR56

About the Program:
“No wetsuits in the library!” Dr. Joe Wible has been Librarian at the Hopkins Marine Station since 1993. With a doctorate in marine biology from the University of Southern California in addition to his library degree, Joe is deeply embedded in the daily life and ongoing research of the students and faculty at the Hopkins Marine Station in Pacific Grove.

Joe will talk about what it is like to work at a special branch library, offer some ideas for how we might approach gaining similar rapport with our users, and share highlights of his most recent adventure as part of a research team at the Palmyra Atoll in the South Pacific.
Special thanks to Information Express for sponsoring this program event.

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Register Now: August 21 Program with Jeffrey Beall

Posted on July 30, 2013.

SLA Silicon Valley Chapter & Sci-Tech Division Joint Event

Predatory Publishing: How to Tell the Good Guys from the Bad Guys, a webinar and evening program event with Jeffrey Beall author of the Scholarly Open Access Blog.

When: Wednesday, August 21, 2013
Where: Gilead, 333 Lakeside Dr., Bldg. 300, Foster City, CA 94404 (Gilead Map)
Check In: 5:30 pm-6:00 pm
Dinner and Networking: 5:30-6:30 pm (Fajita Buffet incl. vegetarian options)
Presentation: 6:30-7:30 pm (PST) followed by Q&A. Event will end at 8:00 pm

On Site Registration Fee:
SLA Members: $30.00
Non-members/Guests: $40.00
Students $25.00

Webinar Registration Fee:
When: Presentation 6:30pm-7:30pm (PST), followed by Q&A
SLA Members: $10.00
Non-members: $20.00
Students: $5.00

SLA Sci-Tech Division in conjunction with Silicon Valley Chapter will broadcast the presentation via SLA’s GoToWebinar. To attend, you will need to download the GoToWebinar applet to your computer. Please make sure that you can download software to your computer and check system requirements before registering. After you register and pay the webinar fee, an email will be sent to you with the log on information and link for this event.

Registration:
Please register online by Monday, August 19. (Choose the onsite or virtual attendee option on the 2nd page. Virtual attendance registration is limited to 100.)

About the Program:
Open access publishing and self-publishing have open many new category of publishers. Some of these new publishers exploit the open access options by soliciting authors to submit articles to bogus publishing sites, tricking them into submitting content and paying open access fees to journals that will never be published. Some of these journals encourage libraries to subscribe based on false information. Join us as we explore this issue with the authority on Predatory Publishing, Jeffrey Beall author of the Scholarly Open Access Blog (http://scholarlyoa.com/) where he lists and discusses these questionable publishers. See Jeffrey’s blog post on this topic on the Silicon Valley Chapter website.

Jeffrey Beall is the Scholarly Initiatives Librarian / Associate Professor, at the Auraria Library, University of Colorado Denver. He received his MSLS from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and he has an MA in English Literature from Oklahoma State University. He reviews electronic resources for the Charleston Advisor and he served on the editorial board of Cataloging & Classification Quarterly. An academic librarian for over 22 years, Jeffrey has published extensively in the areas of metadata, full-text searching, and information retrieval.

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Save the Date – August 21: Program on Predatory Publishers

Posted on June 23, 2013. Tags: Jeffrey Beall

Mark your Calendars! The Silicon Valley Chapter and the Science-Technology Division of the Special Libraries Association (SLA) will host:

Predatory Publishers: How to Tell the Good Guys from the Bad Guys

Jeffrey Beall, Scholarly Initiatives Librarian, University of Colorado

Wednesday, August 21, 2013

Gilead Pharmaceuticals, Foster City California, and GoToWebinar worldwide

About the Event

The Silicon Valley Chapter and the Science-Technology Division of the Special Libraries Association (SLA) are the hosts for this event. Local attendees can network over a light meal, hear Jeffery speak in person, and interact with him before and after. Remote attendees worldwide can view his talk and ask questions through SLA’s GoToWebinar system. The talk will also be recorded for replay. Watch for registration information in mid-July on the SLA Silicon Valley website: http://siliconvalley.sla1.org.

About the Speaker

Jeffrey Beall is the Scholarly Initiatives Librarian at the University of Colorado Denver. His interests include new and evolving aspects of scholarly communication, including open-access publishing, author and publisher misconduct, and scholarly publishing ethics.

Jeffrey will talk about his interest in documenting the phenomenon known as “predatory publishers.” His writings, assessment process, and compilations of known predatory publishers have won him praise from the research community worldwide.

Predatory publishers include questionable scholarly open-access publishers with a few to hundreds of journal titles, and individual questionable journals that copy the mega-journal model. According to Jeffery, many of these publishers exist only to make money off the processing charges that are billed to authors upon acceptance of their manuscripts, rather than supporting the spread of scholarly research.

Jeffrey will demonstrate how librarians can help their user communities spot questionable practices, and avoid submitting articles, serving on editorial boards, or reviewing papers for these companies. Librarians can also advise tenure and promotion committees to carefully scrutinize articles published by them.

For Further Reading

Jeffrey Beall’s Scholarly Open Access Blog: http://scholarlyoa.com
Register for Program on Taxonomy Standards, April 25

Posted on April 13, 2013. Tags: Taxonomy

Colleagues, Please join the Silicon Valley Chapter for a follow-up taxonomy session to Margie Hlava’s webinar sponsored by the San Francisco Bay Region Chapter in February.

Taxonomies in the Real World – Compromising the Standards in Order to Meet Business Objectives

Marti Heyman, Executive Director of Metadata Standards and Services, Cengage Learning

Thursday April 25, 2013. Register Online by April 22

Event Information

Where:
Hillview Community Center,
97 Hillview Drive, Los Altos, CA.
Directions

When:
Thursday, April 25, 2013
6:00 – 6:45 Registration, networking and refreshments
7:00 – 8:00 Presentation with Q&A

Registration info:
Register Online by April 22: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/C8MXHZM
$25 for SLA members
$35 for non-members
$15 for SLA student members, retired SLA members, or unemployed SLA members

This is your opportunity to take advantage of Marti’s broad taxonomy and metadata experience — and a rare visit to the Bay Area! Marti has a robust background in taxonomy and metadata and has been a speaker at Taxonomy Bootcamp, SLA and the Information and Knowledge Management Society of Singapore. Marti will take us through a deep look at several examples of how real business needs required violating best practices and standards in a controlled and manageable fashion. Examples would include tackling multiple languages; finding compromises among the “I’m special” business unit (hint – they’re all special!); manipulating user experiences to drive behavior or actions (trickery isn’t just for e-retail anymore!).

Preview Marti’s profile on LinkedIn

Deadline for registration and payment is Monday, April 22, 2013

Online registration form: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/C8MXHZM

Jeanie Fraser
Silicon Valley Chapter, Programming Committee Chair

Helen Josephine
Silicon Valley Chapter, Hospitality Committee Chair

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May 22: SLA-SV and SLA-SFBR Joint Meeting featuring Phoebe Ayers

Posted on March 18, 2013. Tags: SLA-SV/SF Joint Chapter Meeting

Mark your calendars…

An evening with Phoebe Ayers

Wednesday, May 22

Phoebe will talk about her work with the Wikimedia Foundation, and how crowdsourcing and social media are changing information exchange.

Phoebe Ayers is a science and engineering reference librarian at the University of California, Davis. Since 2003 she has been an editor and volunteer with the Wikimedia Foundation, which runs Wikipedia and its sister projects, and from 2010-2012 was a member of the Foundation’s Board of Trustees. She is also the co-author of a book about Wikipedia, “How Wikipedia Works.”

Registration Information and Venue: TBA.

Posted in Featured, Meetings 0 Comments

RSVP Today: Disruptive Tools for Research and Publication

Posted on February 6, 2013.

Colleagues, please join us for our February program,

Disruptive Tools for Research and Publication: Mendeley, Zotero and Altmetrics

Monday evening, February 25, 2013

Speakers: William Gunn, Head of Academic Outreach for Mendeley & Helen Josephine, Head of the Engineering Library at Stanford University


Academic researchers and writers are using new tools to help them collaborate with others and organize personal files of articles and content from the web. Increasingly, these researchers find the closed, for-profit software options for citation management offered by RefWorks and EndNote to not be ideal for interoperability, customization and collaboration. Both Zotero and Mendeley have been embraced by advanced researchers who appreciate the customization and collaboration they offer and by undergraduates who appreciate the price (a basic subscription to either Mendeley or Zotero is free). Mendeley has over 4 million users and provides access to a full-text archive of over 40 million articles.

Similarly the former “value of an article”, based on peer-review and citation counts is coming under pressure from new metrics or “altmetrics”—how many times has the article been Tweeted, saved to CiteULike or to a Mendeley Library. Join us for the Silicon Valley Chapter program on Monday, February 25 at the Menlo Park Public Library to learn about these disruptive technologies and explore the features that might apply to your personal research or to the researchers in your workplace. Hear about the advantage to librarians for viewing and tracking the changing interests of their dynamic communities of researchers and the new ways that research collaborations are being facilitated.

Where: Menlo Park Public Library, 800 Alma St, Palo Alto, CA
Directions: http://www.menloparklibrary.org/directions.html
The Menlo Park CalTrain stop is within one block of the Menlo Park Public Library
Agenda:
6:00 – 7:00 Social Hour with sandwiches, dessert and beverage
7:00 – 8:30 Presentation with Q&A
Cost:
$20 for SLA members
$25 for non-members
$15 for students, retired, or unemployed

Deadline for registration & payment: **Friday, February 22, 2013**
Register Online: [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LHX9J3F](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LHX9J3F)

**An Evening with SLA Leadership May 31st – SLA-SF/SV Joint Meeting**

Posted on May 24, 2012.

A Very Special Joint Meeting of the
The San Francisco Bay Region and Silicon Valley Chapters

**An Evening with SLA National Leadership:**
Janice Lachance, Brent Mai, and Deb Hunt

**Thursday, May 31, 2012, 5:30 – 8:00 pm**

**Delancey Street Restaurant**
San Francisco

Please join us for dinner and a panel discussion featuring CEO Janice Lachance, President Brent Mai, and our very own President-Elect Deb Hunt!

Our panel will be moderated by longtime SF Chapter Member David Grossman. David will be posing questions submitted by chapter members, so start thinking about what you’d like to hear from our leadership! Submit questions to tlandolt@reprintsdesk.com or hschiral@library.berkeley.edu by **Friday, May 25**.

Our annual joint chapter meeting is an excellent opportunity to network not only with your Bay Area colleagues, but also with SLA leadership. Don’t miss the chance to talk with SLA’s current President, President Elect, and CEO, all at the same time. Learn more about where the organization is going, and get their perspectives on trends in our profession. The evening will include networking time (with no host bar) and a plated dinner (chicken, salmon, or vegetarian), followed by the panel discussion.

**When:** Thursday, May 31, 2012, 5:30 – 8:00 PM

**Agenda:**

- 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM Check-in and networking
- 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM Dinner
- 6:45 PM – 8:00 PM Panel discussion

**Cost:** $30 for SLA members, $60 for non-members, and $25 for students, retired, and between jobs members.

**Parking:** The closest public parking is at Pier 32, about a block away, and it costs $6. The address of that lot is 599 Embarcadero. Unfortunately, Delancey Street doesn’t validate.

**Registration Deadline:** **Friday, May 25, 2012**

**Online Registration:** [PayPal Registration](http://sanfrancisco.sla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/regform_joint_meeting.html) (PayPal account not required)

**More Information:** [http://sanfrancisco.sla.org/2012/05/joint-meeting-sla-national-leadership/](http://sanfrancisco.sla.org/2012/05/joint-meeting-sla-national-leadership/)
Panel Discussion about the Internet Librarian Conference – Solo Librarians
Meeting on November 16, 2011

Posted on October 27, 2011.

The Solo Librarians of the Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA invite you to join them at their next meeting on Wednesday, November 16th.

The Internet Librarian Conference (http://www.infotoday.com/il2011/default.asp) took place in Monterey from October 17 – 19. We will have a panel of librarians on hand who attended the conference and will be discussing their impressions and experiences.

Sonia Dorfman will be hosting the meeting at 6 P.M. on Wednesday, November 16th at NeuroPace, 1375 Shorebird Way, Mountain View. The map link is below.

Anyone with an interest in libraries is welcome, including students and recent grads of the MLIS programs. You are welcome to bring a snack or dinner to the meeting. There will be soft drinks available.

Those who are planning to attend need to contact Sonia Dorfman by November 11th at sdorfman@neuropace.com or (650) 237-2784. If you have already contacted Sonia, there is no need to do so again.

Sonia Dorfman
Eric Kristofferson

Silicon Valley Solo Librarians

Location map & directions: http://www.neuropace.com/about/contact/map.html

Here is an added tip for locating NeuroPace: Once you are on Shorebird Way, turn right into the driveway at the Accuray sign. The parking lot and building on the left are NeuroPace.

Solo Librarians Tour of the Adobe Corporate Library

Posted on September 19, 2011.

The Solo Librarians of the Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA invite you to join them at their next meeting on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 6 PM.

The meeting will be held at the Adobe Library (http://www.adobe.com) located 345 Park Avenue (West Tower), San Jose, CA. A map and directions to the library can be found below.

We will have both a tour of the library and a demonstration of Goldmine, Adobe’s information portal. Adobe’s library is a self-service center open to all employees 24/7. It holds over 6,000 books, DVDs and CD-ROMs, over 150 periodicals and 5 daily newspapers. There is also access to ebooks and online journals. The information portal, Goldmine, provides access to databases and handpicked reports on topics relevant to Adobe. Goldmine has been recognized as a best-practice for market intelligence portals by the Market Research Executive Board, IDC and Forrester Research.

The meeting will be hosted by Emily Shem-Tov and Meira Chefitz. Emily Shem-Tov is a Senior Analyst in Adobe’s Information Resources Group and has managed the company’s research portal (“Goldmine”) for the past 6 years. In addition to managing the portal, Emily assists with training, marketing, research synthesis and custom inquiry – providing research assistance to employees throughout the company. Meira Chefitz, currently completing her MLIS at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, is an intern in the group, helping to identify relevant content for Goldmine from our third-party market research vendors, participating in analyst sessions, and answering inquiries.
Anyone with an interest in libraries is welcome, including students and recent grads of the MLIS programs.

Those who are planning to attend need to contact Sonia Dorfman by Friday, October 7th at sdorfman@neuropace.com or (650) 237-2784.

Sonia Dorfman

Eric Kristofferson

Silicon Valley Solo Librarians

The lobby is on the 2nd floor. Visitors will need to show an ID to receive their temporary badge. A map can be found at: http://g.co/maps/xe7pz

Directions

101 Southbound

Take 101 South. Take Guadalupe Parkway/87 South toward downtown San Jose. Exit at Park Avenue/San Carlos, turn Left onto Park Avenue. Go one block and at Almaden Blvd, make a U-turn. Turn Right into the Adobe parking lot (West Tower).

87 Northbound

Northbound on 87, take Santa Clara St. /Downtown exit. Turn Right on Santa Clara St. Turn Right onto Almaden. Turn Right onto Park Ave and make a right turn into the Adobe garage.

880 Southbound

Head southeast on I-880 S. toward Exit 22.

Take exit 4A for N.1st St.

Turn Right at W. Julian St.

Turn Left at N. Market St.

Turn Right at Park Ave and make a right turn into the Adobe garage.

From Highway 280 or Highway 85

Take Guadalupe Parkway/87 North toward San Jose. Exit at Santa Clara Street, turn Right onto Santa Clara Street. Take the first Right onto Almaden Boulevard. Turn Right onto Park Ave. Turn Right into the Adobe parking lot (West Tower) just before the Guadalupe River.

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Solo Librarians Meeting on July 14, 2011 – Panel Discussion about the SLA Annual Conference in Philadelphia

Posted on July 6, 2011.

The SLA Annual Conference took place in Philadelphia from June 12 – 15. A panel of librarians who attended SLA 2011 will be at the Solo Librarians meeting to share their impressions and experiences.

Sonia Dorfman will be hosting the meeting at 6 P.M. on Thursday, July 14th at NeuroPace, 1375 Shorebird Way, Mountain View. The map link is below.

Anyone with an interest in libraries is welcome, including students and recent grads of the MLIS programs. You are welcome to bring a snack or dinner to the meeting. There will be soft drinks available.

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Sonia Dorfman

Eric Kristofferson

San Andreas Solo Librarians

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2011 Joint Meeting Presentation

Posted on May 15, 2011.

What an opportunity it was to meet face-to-face with Cindy Romaine, our SLA President on Tuesday May 3, 2011 at the Clarion Hotel! Cindy personally met and talked with many of us before a delicious sit-down dinner. Among those present was Sandra Hirsh, the new Director of the San Jose State University School of Library & Information Science; eleven students from the program had the opportunity to dine at tables with Cindy and Sandra.

Libby Trudell highlighted some important events at the upcoming SLA2011 in Philly. She highly recommended Engaging Senior Management in the Library's Mission, which is taking place on Saturday June 11 from 8am to noon and is being taught by Cynthia Sullivan of CSullivan Strategic Information Management. This is a premier opportunity for you and your senior management to learn and discuss what your library does. Libby also invited everyone to the West Coast Reception at the annual meeting.

Kathe Gust, SLA-Silicon Valley Chapter President, introduced our new President-Elect, Cliff Mills, and satisfied our curiosity about the odd table centerpieces, which turned out to be word scrambles allowing each table to unscramble letters into a Future Ready word. (My table unscrambled the word, “Engagement”)

Vicki Garlow, SLA-Silicon Valley Senior Program Chair, acknowledged the committee members of both chapters who worked untold hours to pull off the joint meeting and introduced each of our six (yes, that’s six!!!) sponsors who contributed so very generously to the cost of this large meeting: IEEE (George Plosker), DIALOG (Libby Trudell & Tim Wahlberg), EBSCO (Janet Lerch), Reprints Desk (Tony Landolt & Christian Gray), Springer (Michael Aparicio) and Wolters Kluwer (Tedd A. Adams)

Cindy Romaine had the spotlight for the rest of the evening. Her Future Ready presentation got us all thinking and talking as she asked what Future Ready meant to us in our libraries and for our professional futures. We each submitted ideas for this year’s Future Ready 365 blog, which were put into a large glass bowl. At the end of her presentation, Cindy drew two winners of autographed copies of Guy Kawasaki’s latest book: Enchantment: The Art of Changing Hearts, Minds, and Actions which forms the heart of Cindy’s Future Ready concept.

Take another opportunity to enjoy Cindy Romaine’s slide presentation and to think about how to be FUTURE READY.

Vicki Garlow & Lisa Sewell
Program Directors 2011
SLA-Silicon Valley Chapter
2011 Joint Meeting Flyer

Posted on April 13, 2011.

Download a printable version of the 2011 SLA San Francisco Bay Region & Silicon Valley Joint Chapters Meeting announcement

Click here:

FUTURE READY with Cindy Romaine

Don’t forget! Registration is due Friday, April 22nd

May 3rd Joint Meeting – Register Now!

Posted on April 3, 2011. Tags: SLA-SV/SF Joint Chapter Meeting

Don’t forget! Register NOW

2011 SLA San Francisco Bay Region & Silicon Valley Joint Chapters Meeting

FUTURE READY with Cindy Romaine
Don’t miss this opportunity to meet face-to-face with our Association President!

Register Here: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XRBJJJD

5:15 p.m. – Registration and Networking (Cash Bar Open)

6:00 p.m. – Sit-Down Dinner:

~ MENU ~

Sonoma Greens
Sonoma Mesclun Greens Mix tossed with crumbled gorgonzola cheese, roasted walnuts and a balsamic vinaigrette

Choice of entrée (Select one)

Eggplant & artichoke pasta (vegetarian)
Breast of Chicken Piccata
Saffron Risotto with Scallops

Accompanying starch, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

Warmed Rolls & Butter

Freshly Brewed Seattle’s Best® Regular & Decafe Coffees

A selection of Herbal Teas

Giandua
Three layers of chocolate cake surrounded by luscious hazelnut truffle mousse

7:30 p.m. – FUTURE READY Presentation, Cindy Romaine, SLA President

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Special note to MLIS students:

You will have an opportunity to dine at the table with SLA President, Cindy Romaine. The first 8 students to register will be seated at the President’s Table.

LOCATION: Clarion Hotel, 401 E. Millbrae Ave., Millbrae (Sausalito Room, 2nd floor)

PARKING: $2/car at The Clarion Hotel
COST (includes sit-down dinner):

- $35 SLA Members
- $45 non-Members
- $35 non-Member Students
- $25 Member students/retired/between jobs

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: End of day **Friday, April 22nd**. Checks must be received by **Monday, April 25th**.

SLA-SVC Raises $450 for Haiti Libraries

Posted on March 30, 2011.

Our chapter president, Kathe Gust, sent the letter below to Michael Dowling of the ALA International Relations office with donations from the Silicon Valley chapter for rebuilding libraries in Haiti. If you didn’t get a chance to donate but would like to, check out the [ALA page for Haiti Library Relief](#).

Dear Michael:
At our annual Recognition and Awards Celebration event in December, the Silicon Valley Chapter of the Special Libraries Association issued a challenge to attendees. The Board agreed to match up to $150 in donations pledged at the event to the ALA Haiti Library Relief Fund, on the one-year anniversary of the devastating earthquake in Haiti.

Attendees not only met the challenge, but surpassed it twice over by contributing a total of $300. Together with the Chapter’s matching contribution I am pleased to send along a total of $450 to help rebuild libraries that were destroyed by the quake. Donation forms from those who contributed are enclosed, along with personal checks and credit card information. The amount for those who contributed cash is included in the check from our Chapter.

The Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA congratulates the American Library Association for taking a leadership role in this effort, and for providing us with this opportunity to participate. We wish you every success in your efforts.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Gust

Solo Librarians host speaker from EBSCO — April 27

Posted on March 30, 2011.

The Solo Librarians of the Silicon Valley Chapter of SLA invite you to join them at their next meeting on Wednesday, April 27, 2011.

We will have Janet Lerch on hand to discuss the latest additions to the resources that EBSCO Publishing is providing corporations and academic institutions to support informed decision making. Academic Search™ R&D and Business Source® Corporate are two of the most-used research databases available on EBSCOhost®. Some of the latest additions to EBSCO’s offerings include: corporate learning content such as executive decision support from Corporate Learning Watch™, executive summaries of business books through Business Book Summaries™ and the latest thinking on a topic from business periodicals via EBSCO’s Learning Centers™. EBSCO also provides resources for environmental health & safety professions through its ExPub division.
Janet Lerch began her career with EBSCO in 1999, successfully representing the company and working with corporations and hospitals for more than ten years. Janet spent eight years as one of the top sales representatives in the world with EBSCO Subscription Services and has been a Regional Sales Manager for EBSCO publishing for the past two years. Janet works with corporations to assess their information and learning needs and integrate the EBSCO content into all different divisions within a corporation.

Anyone with an interest in libraries is welcome, including students and recent grads of the MLIS programs. You are welcome to bring a snack or dinner to the meeting.

**When**: Wednesday, April 27 at 6pm

**Where**: Eric Kristofferson will host the meeting at St. Jude Medical at 701 East Evelyn Avenue in Sunnyvale—between Wolfe & Fair Oaks. Park near the first building and go into the lobby.

Map.

**RSVP**: Contact Sonia Dorfman by April 25th at sdorfman at neuropace.com or (650) 237-2784.

Sonia Dorfman
Eric Kristofferson
Silicon Valley Solo Librarians

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**2011 SLA Conference Guide Available**

Posted on March 27, 2011.

The digital edition of the *SLA 2011 Annual Conference Preview* guide is available online now. The guide has over 30 pages of information on programs, activities, housing and a list of the exhibitors slated to be on hand in Philadelphia during the week of June 12-15. The daily schedule lists activities for each day of the conference. One example is the *Western States Chapters Reception*, slated to be held on Monday, June 13, from 6 – 8 p.m. [Link to the Conference Preview guide](#)

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**FUTURE READY with SLA President Cindy Romaine: Tuesday May 3, 2011**

Posted on March 21, 2011. Tags: SLA-SV/SF Joint Chapter Meeting

*The Silicon Valley Chapter together with the San Francisco Bay Region Chapter* 

*Invite you to a special Joint Chapter Meeting*

with SLA President, Cindy Romaine

on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at *The Clarion Hotel San Francisco Airport*

5:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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5:15 PM – Registration and Networking (Cash Bar Open)
6:00 PM – Sit Down Dinner: Choice of entree
7:30 PM – Future Ready Presentation, Cindy Romaine, SLA President

Special note to MLIS students: You will have an opportunity to dine at the table with SLA President, Cindy Romaine. The first 8 students to register will be seated at the President’s Table.

Registration opens Monday March 28, 2011
Details to follow…

SLA-Silicon Valley Neighborhood Dinners Scheduled for April 12 – 14

Please join one of our “Neighborhood Dinner” hosts for an evening of networking. Our hosts have selected a venue where you may share dinner (“dutch treat”) and lively conversation in a pleasant atmosphere.

Meeting restaurants have been selected throughout the Chapter region from mid-peninsula to San Jose. Meeting dates are variable also, from Tuesday through Thursday April 12-14. We hope that one (or more !) of the following Neighborhood Dinner get-togethers fits into your Spring schedule.

Please RSVP directly to the host(s) by Sunday, April 10th.

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This restaurant is convenient to the Redwood City Caltrain

Join me for dinner and conversation then stay for dessert… Sometimes I go here just for the dessert

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Details to follow…
This is a very casual, “home cooking” style restaurant – but pleasant and neighborhood oriented. Two blocks from the downtown BART station, ought not be a strain on your commute. Please join me for conversation and a welcoming of spring.

Thursday, April 14th – 6:00 pm
San José/Willow Glen neighborhood
Aquí Cal-Mex
1145 Lincoln Ave
(408) 995-0381
http://www.aquicalmex.com

Relax and have a margarita with a recent student and a current student from SJSU SLIS with interests in science and technology. Parking is available in the back of the restaurant.

Published in Events, Meetings

Annual Recognition and Awards event: Pecha Kucha Leadership for Information Pros, January 12, 2011

Posted on January 20, 2011.

While we had our meeting at MacArthur Park in Palo Alto, this time we tried something different and had the traditional holiday party in the following year rather than at the traditional end-of-year event.

The Chapter set up donations for Haitian libraries in cooperation with ALA – offering printed forms for donations via check or credit card, a basket for cash or checks, information on how to donate via text messaging with the donation charged to members’ mobile providers (just text to 20222) and information on how to donate online through ALA. There were about 40 attendees.

The main event was the Pecha Kucha (http://www.pecha-kucha.org/) panel on Leadership (Libby Trudell, Cindy Hill, Deb Hunt, Helen Keil Losch presenting), in which each participant showed 20 images with 20 seconds to talk about each one. Pecha Kucha is Japanese for “chit-chat” and the idea is to present ideas in a rapid and memorable fashion.
Next came the recognitions, awards, new board members and raffle. Helen Keil Losch thanked and recognized several members for their service to the chapter. This year’s award recipients were Steven Kaye (Mark H. Baer Award), Cindy Hill (Lucy Steelman Award), Cliff Mills (President’s Award), Praveena Raman (Published Member Award), AIM and IEEE (Vendor Partner Awards).

2010 Lucy Steelman Award Presentation

The new Board Members were announced; the chapter is seeking a President-elect for this year — contact Kathleen Gust with nominations.

-Steven Kaye

Donate to Haiti Library Relief Fund

Posted on January 17, 2011.

Silicon Valley Chapter members generously contributed to the Haiti Library Relief Fund at the Pecha Kucha Leadership for Information Pros and Recognition and Awards Celebration Wednesday evening. In recognition of the one-year anniversary of the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Chapter President, Helen Losch, made an appeal to the attendees to help in rebuilding libraries that were destroyed.

The Board voted to contribute $150.00 from the Chapter as a challenge grant to the Haiti Library Relief Fund. The attendees surpassed this challenge. Incoming President, Kathleen Gust, announced the next morning, “We received enough in checks and cash to meet the challenge we offered to the members, and enough in pledges at this point to exceed it! The current total donation would be about $450.00 (including our challenge fund).”

Libraries and other cultural institutions are critical resources for the recovery of people around the world in the aftermath of a crisis

Michael Dowling, Director of the ALA International Relations Office said in an email to members on the eve of the one-year anniversary, “Even without buildings, staff have been continuing to provide services, visiting displacement camps to provide storytimes or handing out books in front of their demolished”.

There is still time to contribute to this effort from our SLA-SV Chapter! Please consider helping our colleagues in Haiti. Please print and complete the Donation Form (PDF file). Make checks to “American Library Association” (your donation is tax deductible) with a notation for Haiti and send to our new Chapter Treasurer by January 31st:

Philip Gust, SLA-SV Treasurer
Pecha Kucha Leadership for Information Pros / Recognition and Awards Celebration, Jan. 12

Posted on January 10, 2011.

Join your colleagues for our first meeting of 2011, recognizing the remarkable accomplishments of our local Silicon Valley members during 2010. Leadership in our chapter is truly outstanding with several members providing leadership at the highest levels of SLA. We’ll be looking back and looking forward at this program:

“Pecha Kucha Leadership for Information Pros / Recognition and Awards Celebration”
When: Wednesday, January 12, 5:30 – 8:00  Signup Deadline: January 6
Featured Speakers: Libby Trudell, Cindy Hill, Deb Hunt and Helen Losch, with others pending
Location: MacArthur Park, in Palo Alto, right next to the train station
Registration URL: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/H69M5SN

Give a warm farewell to our current president, Helen Losch, and other outgoing Board members. Welcome new Board members with your excellent ideas and opinions and seize the best professional networking opportunity to volunteer for open committee positions in 2011. Connect with fellow colleagues and enjoy a scrumptious appetizer buffet at the architecturally historic and unique MacArthur Park in Palo Alto.

Call for Papers! 2011 Annual Conference

Posted on November 24, 2010.

Share your research with your peers! SLA is now accepting proposals for papers to be presented at the 2011 Annual Conference and INFO-EXPO, to be held June 12-15 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

This is your opportunity as a member of SLA to share your research and scholarship with your colleagues and peers. Topics must be related to the conference theme, “Future Ready,” or to one of the sub-themes:

- Communicating value through strategic alignment;
- Leveraging technology for innovation; and
- Using knowledge sharing to encourage collaboration.

Every SLA member is encouraged to submit an abstract. The proposals will be evaluated by a panel of SLA members in a blind review, and the strongest will be selected for development into full papers.

Requirements for Acceptance

Topics should be related to library science, information management, research or other issues pertinent to client service, technology, or administration in special libraries. Proposals will be judged on their relevance to the conference theme or one of the sub-themes as well as on the strength of the ideas, quality of the writing and potential member interest.

Proposed papers must also meet these requirements:

- At least one author is a member of SLA,
- At least one author commits to presenting the paper at the annual conference.
- The proposal is received by the deadline.
- The paper has not been published in or submitted to any other publication or conference planning group.
- The author and any co-authors must be willing to sign a copyright assignment form that will permit SLA to use the paper in various formats.

**Deadlines**

Proposals are due December 13. Submit an abstract of your paper to Martha Foote at mfoote@libraryco.ca. Abstracts should be between 250 and 300 words in length, or roughly one page in 12-point text.

All applicants will be notified of the committee’s decision by 17 January 2011. Those with the strongest proposals will be invited to develop them into full papers.

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