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Posted on May 23, 2017.

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

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

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

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

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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/>. The event will be livestreamed on the web and recorded.

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Please send inquiries to Michael Wolfe, [mrwolfe@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mrwolfe@ucdavis.edu)

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## **SLA-SV to Match Member Donations to ALA Philippines Library Relief Fund**

Posted on November 29, 2013.

The Philippines face a long path to recovery in the wake of *Typhoon Haiyan*—one of the most powerful storms ever recorded. Thousands of people in the central islands of the Philippines have been affected.

The **American Library Association** is accepting donations from the United States for libraries in the Philippines. The **Philippines Library Relief Fund** will help to rebuild libraries and archives in the Philippines that were destroyed or damaged by the *Typhoon Haiyan* on November 8, 2013.

When Haiti was decimated by a hurricane several years ago, the *Silicon Valley Chapter* got involved by accepting donations on behalf of members to the ALA Haiti Library Relief Fund and matching member donations. I'm pleased to announce that our Chapter is getting involved again by accepting donations on behalf of members to the **ALA Philippines Library Relief Fund**, and matching donations up to \$500.

If you will be attending the Chapter holiday event on December 15th and want to contribute, we will be accepting member donations at that time. If you want to make a donation at another time, our Treasurer will accept a donation on your behalf by mail from now through the end of December.

In either case, please write a cheque payable to "***American Library Association***" with the notation "**for Philippines**" and fill out the **donation form**. Please do not send cash donations. Only cheques accompanied by completed **donation forms** that are received from members at the holiday event, or by mail through the end of December, will be eligible for a match by our Chapter.

*Send your cheque and completed donation form to:*

SLA-SV Treasurer  
c/o Kathe Gust  
86 Inyo Place  
Redwood City, CA 94061-4122

Donation form: <http://www.ala.org/offices/sites/ala.org/offices/files/content/iro/iroactivities/DonationForm-Philippines.pdf>

To read more about the ALA's Philippines library relief effort, visit the **ALA Phillipines Library Relief** webpage.

To learn more about the Chapter's holiday event and annual members meeting on December 15th, see the recent "save the date" email from Hospitality Committee Chair Helen Josephine. Look for an announcement and registration page soon.

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## **SLA offers Health Care Options to Members**

Posted on February 8, 2012.

Association Health Programs has access to all health insurance plans and carriers to fit your needs. SLA Members can save up to 30% on monthly premiums.

### **Plans Include:**

- Comprehensive Major Medical Insurance for Individuals
- Comprehensive Health Insurance for Groups of all sizes
- Short-Term Health Insurance(30 days up to 2 years)
- Student Health Insurance
- International Travel Insurance
- Medicare Supplements & Prescription Part D
- Dental Insurance

- Health Savings Accounts for Individuals & Companies

The available options allow members to access doctors and hospitals nationwide with local and national PPO networks and the availability to see any doctor or hospital of your choice. Compare your current coverage and obtain enhanced health coverage at lower costs.

For more information, link to the [Association website](#).

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## Got Gravatar?

Posted on March 29, 2011.



Gravatars are *Globally Recognized Avatars*. According to the Gravatar website, “your Gravatar is an image that follows you from site to site appearing beside your name when you do things like comment or post on a blog. Avatars help identify your posts on blogs and web forums, so why not on any site?”

On the WordPress site, it states that a “gravatar is an icon, or representation, of a user in a shared virtual reality, such as a forum, chat, website, or any other form of online community in which the user(s) wish to have something to distinguish themselves from other users. Created by Tom Werner, gravatars make it possible for a person to have one avatar across the entire web. Avatars are usually an 80 pixels by 80 pixels image that the user will create themselves.”

This website supports gravatars in comments, so please comment below and share your gravatar with others in the Chapter!

Don't have a gravatar yet? Link to the [Gravatar website](#) and set up one for free!

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## Welcome Spring! Host a SLA-Silicon Valley Neighborhood Dinner

Posted on March 6, 2011.

### **2011 SLA-Silicon Valley Neighborhood Dinners April 11-15**

#### **Call for Hosts!**

Please consider hosting a Spring-time neighborhood dinner to meet with SLA-SV members that live or work in your neighborhood. Each Host selects a venue where members gather to share a meal (“Dutch treat”). We always hope to offer a variety of dates and locations so all members can find a group to meet-up with near where they live or work.

Volunteering to be a host only takes 3 simple steps:

1. Select a date, time and place
2. Complete the [SLA-SV Neighborhood Dinner Host Form](#) by March 14th
3. Members wishing to join you at your neighborhood meeting will R.S.V.P. to you directly by April 6<sup>th</sup> allowing you ample time to make the final arrangements with the establishment you have chosen.

Students and non-members are also welcome to host or join us at a neighborhood dinner event. We look forward to meeting you.

These SLA-SV mini-meeting events have long been a popular tradition for our Chapter. This year we are holding it once again in the Spring. Regardless of the time of year, members always enjoy the networking and “lively” conversations. April is an excellent time to chat about the upcoming [SLA Conference in Philadelphia](#). (Anyone know where to have a

great Philly cheesesteak in the Bay Area?)

Questions? [Contact the SLA-Silicon Valley Program Directors](#): Vicki Garlow or Lisa Sewell

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## **2011 SLA handouts available**

Posted on February 2, 2011.



Handouts presented at the recent *SLA Leadership Summit* are now available to SLA members on the [association website](#). According to the SLA site, “over 220 leaders from around the globe” participated. The handouts available are listed below. Members will have to log-in to the SLA website to retrieve these.

### **Thursday, 20 January 2011 – Growing & Sustaining Membership**

- Future Ready: Building Community (Cindy Romaine)
- State of the Coffers: The Financial Road Map for Our Future (Dan Trefethen)
- Re-thinking Community: Creating an Association for 2011 and Beyond (Janice Lachance)
- Building Community: Using Social Media Effectively (Jamal Cromity)
- Building Community: Remote and Virtual Programming (Ruth Wolfish, Julie Cavender and Karly Szczepkowski)
- Expanding Community: Promoting SLA Outside Our Current Membership (Judy Tapiero, Susan Fingerman and Mary Talley)
- SLA’s New WordPress Web Hosting for Units (Daniel Lee)

### **Friday, 21 January 2011 – Leadership Practicum**

- The Decision to Volunteer and the Decision to Join: Community Building in Action (Susan Robertson)
- Growing Your Community’s Finances: Thinking Strategically (John DiGilio, Sara Batts and Tom Rink)
- Do You Know about the Need-to-Know Sessions (Jill Strand)

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## **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  
Attn: ALA Haiti Fund  
86 Inyo Place  
Redwood City, CA 94061

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## **Future Ready 365 contributions sought**

Posted on January 14, 2011.

### **Future Ready 365**

*Are You Ready Today?*

SLA has launched their [Future Ready 365](#) website and is eager for SLA members to contribute. The website states that “250 words, a handful of images, even audio and video—will build a mosaic that offers this community actionable insights into the future of our profession and association.”

From the [Future Ready 365](#) website: **What is Future Ready?**

It’s a focus on preparing ourselves for emerging opportunities in the information industry through: 1) Collaboration to accelerate the availability of useful information; 2) An adaptable skill set that anticipates and responds to the evolving marketplace; 3) Alignment with the language and values of the community you serve and 4) Building a community that connects stakeholders in mutually beneficial relationships

Submit your post to [futureready365@sla.org](mailto:futureready365@sla.org). For more information, link to <http://futureready365.sla.org/join-us>

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## **Nominations sought for National Offices**

Posted on November 29, 2010.



The SLA Nominating Committee is looking for nominees for each of the following positions: President-elect, Chapter cabinet chair-elect, Division cabinet chair-elect and Director (two positions). According to the Oct/Nov 2010 issue of [Information Outlook](#), “all SLA members, especially leaders of divisions, chapters, committees, and councils, are encouraged to identify people they think are ready and willing to serve as members of the association’s board.” Nominations must be submitted by January 7, 2011 to any member of the Nominating Committee. For more information, please link to [SLA’s website](#) at or the [Committee’s page](#).

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## Got Photos?

Posted on November 24, 2010.



Past Presidents Dinner, 2010, Redwood City.  
From left to right, Lee Pharis, Kathleen Gust,  
Nan Geschke, Libby Trudell, Luisa Claeys,  
Helen Losch, Leslie R. Fisher, Wynne  
Dobyns, Helen Josephine and Cliff Mills

In honor of the Chapter's 30th anniversary, the Silicon Valley Chapter's Webmaster is looking for any early photos of Chapter officers, events and programs to integrate into the new WordPress stylesheet. Please send any photos, especially those with names and dates, to [Cliff Mills](#).

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## 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](mailto: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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## [Silicon Valley Chapter Call for Volunteers](#)

Posted on November 18, 2010.



Volunteers are needed for 2011 Chapter committees & liaisons. The Chapter is an all-volunteer organization, so if you are not actively serving, your assistance is greatly needed. Please use the form to contact Chapter President, Kathleen Gust, if you have any interest in assisting the Chapter in any of our important functions.

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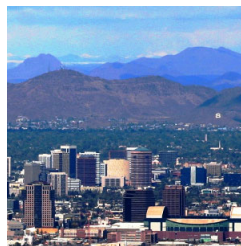


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