

Director's Report October 2015

Meetings and Visits

I attended the ILS, Technology and Delivery meetings.

The November *Talk of the Town* featured Corey Baumann, SCLS Delivery Services Coordinator, speaking about the SCLS Delivery Services. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uyQQmqcC2Kk>

I attended the Mid-Wisconsin Merger Study Committee meetings via Go-To meeting. SCLS was cut from contention at their November 2 meeting. They interviewed the Arrowhead Library System and the Eastern Shores Library System on November 10 and 11 in pursuit of a merger partner.

I was invited to attend the final ILEAD presentations at the Heidel House in Green Lake on October 29. Jean Anderson was a mentor to one of the 6 groups. During 2015 the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Division for Libraries and Technology partnered with state library agencies from Illinois, Delaware, Maine, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Utah to implement ILEAD USA, a nationwide leadership immersion program utilizing web technologies. ILEAD USA - Wisconsin expands library staff members' leadership skills and their ability to use participatory technology to address community needs.

I attended the annual in-person meeting of the SCLS Interlibrary Loan Committee on October 30 at the Portage Library. This involves the people throughout our system who keep the books moving between SCLS libraries and libraries throughout the state and nation.

SCLS staff and I attended the annual Wisconsin Library Association conference held in Middleton this year. The conference started early for me with a System and Resource Library Administrators' Association of Wisconsin meeting on Tuesday. The programs were good and I was pleased to see so many library members and trustees at the conference. The Library System Redesign Steering Committee met at the conference and voted to enter into a contract with WiLS to be the project manager for the process of revising Wisconsin's Public Library Systems.

The November All Directors meeting will be held November 19th at the Portage Library. The afternoon will be a workshop with CE credit entitled: *Above and Beyond: Hiring Good Organizational Citizens*.

Foundation

The three award winners were chosen for the Cornerstone reception and details for the event were finalized. The 2015 Cornerstone Award Reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, at 205 Vino, 205 De Witt Street, Portage, WI. The award presentations will begin at 6 p.m.

The minutes to the October meeting can be found at:

<http://www.sclsfoundation.org/about/meetings%20index.html>

Trustee Training

The national weekly newsletter from Library Journal, *Library Hotline*, has a regular column entitled Trustees Corner. In its latest edition it included a section from the *Wisconsin Trustees Essentials*. It is heartening to see the national recognition of a local resource. The article is included as part of the board packet.

Good News

The SCLS Foundation agreed to underwrite SCLS as a CW57 News Partner in 2016. This will allow SCLS to produce new commercials and continue on *Talk of the Town* throughout 2016.

Respectfully submitted by,

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