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[Advance Registration](#) is **NOW OPEN** for the 2017 Virginia Library Association Conference. Don't miss your chance to hear *Hidden Figures* author **Margot Lee Shetterly** and our other featured speakers, **October 11-13, 2017** in Norfolk, VA.

Visit our [2017 Annual Conference Portal](#) for all the details and to register today!

Upcoming Events

Thu Sep 28, 2017

[Path to Librarianship: VLA Diversity Career Night](#)

Category: Events

Wed Oct 11, 2017

People & Happenings

People & Happenings

After a short hiatus, People & Happenings is back!

Have you recently received a promotion? Has your library system hired new staff? Is your building undergoing a renovation or are you adding a new location? Or do you want to celebrate your staff's hard work on a recent event? VLA wants to know!

Anyone in Virginia can share their library updates to be posted on our "People & Happenings" page. Send your news in by the 15th of each month. Please keep your news items brief and please do include any relevant photographs, such as headshots for people and in-progress shots of renovations and new buildings. Please send your items to vlaContentSubmissions@gmail.com.

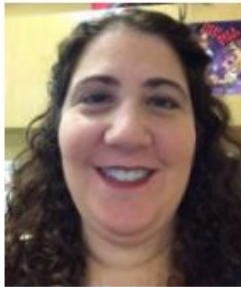
Meet A Member

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The Virginia Library Association is proud of our many members and the contributions they make to librarianship. We created the Meet a Member feature to highlight some of our hard-working members. Just click on a headshot below to "Meet A Member"!

Want to meet your VLA leaders? Then check out the new "[Meet a Member – Leadership Edition](#)" today!

Want to be featured in Meet a Member? Email Gregg at gsgrunow@gmail.com.



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VLA Newsletter



August 11, 2017

2017/Conference Special Edition

In the Issue

1. Preliminary Program
2. Conference Sponsorships and Exhibitor Booths
3. Lodging in Norfolk
4. New: Lightning Talks
5. **VLA** Conference Stipend
6. **VLA** Scholarships
7. Wednesday Tours and Events

#2017VLA is just two months away! Why attend Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges? Past attendees say:



Committee & Forum Pages

Scholarship Committee

Announcements

The VLA Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the [2017 scholarship winners](#). Congratulations to Stephani Moore, Whitney Nelsen, and Lauren Triola on their academic excellence and dedication to the field of Library Science. To learn more about VLA scholarships, visit our [Scholarships page](#).

Committee Information

Purpose: To provide support to Association members who seek to advance their education in the field of librarianship.

Leadership: The 2017 VLA Scholarship Committee is chaired by [Claire Covington](#) of Broadway High School.

Learn more about VLA Scholarships

Interested in learning about and applying for our scholarships? Visit the [VLA Scholarship](#) page for more information.

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Virginia Libraries Journal

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Announcements

The latest edition of *Virginia Libraries* will be available soon. Please check back for additional news regarding the next opening date for submissions.

Virginia Libraries features peer reviewed and non-peer reviewed content from all libraries (academic, corporate, public, school, special), with a focus on the Virginia library community.

Queries are welcome! For questions or more information, contact the Editorial Board at: virginalibrariesjournal@gmail.com.

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<https://ejournals.lib.vt.edu/valib/index>

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2016-2017 Editorial Board

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- Paige Flanagan
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- Luke Vilelle
- Virginia Pannabecker (Editor in Chief)

(2017-2018 Call in process - **apply to join!**)

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Updates

- Peer reviewed and Editor reviewed articles
 - [Section Policies](#)
- Creative Commons license for each article
- New publishing model - each submission is published in HTML as it is processed
- Annual PDF compilation will be published near the VLA conference each year.
- Coming soon - a new look to the journal site

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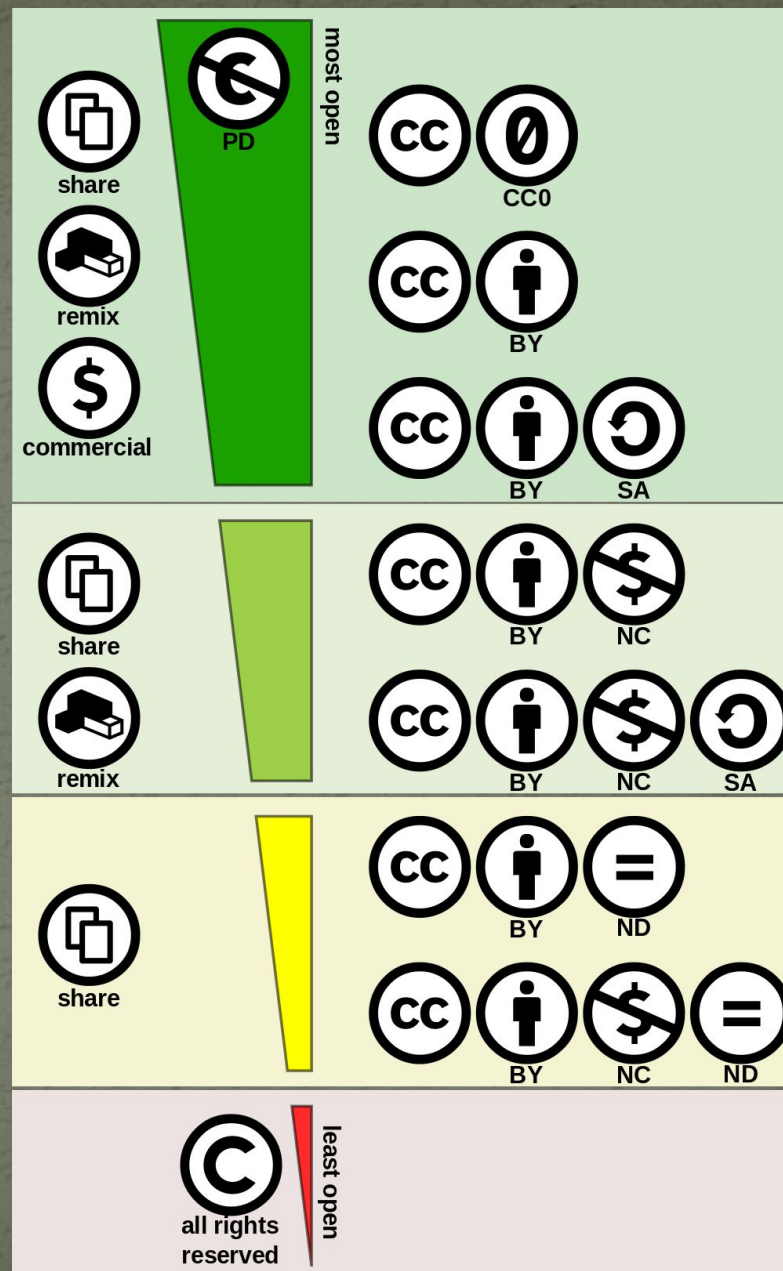
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Article Types - Essays / Commentary

- Editorial review
- “more subjectivity and expression of a position on a topic or issue of interest to libraries”

BREAKING BARRIERS, BUILDING BRIDGES

BY KEITH WEIMER

Abstract:

In this letter to colleagues working in Virginia Libraries, Keith Weimer, President of Virginia Libraries Association (VLA), 2017, discusses the year's events and highlights.

Author Supplied Keywords:

VLA President, Letter, Virginia Libraries Association

Citation:

Keith Weimer, "VLA President's Letter," Virginia Libraries 62, no. 1 (2017). DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.21061/valib.v62i1.1582>.



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VIRGINIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION IS FOR ALL!

BY KATHY ANN CLEVINGER

Abstract

This is an encouragement to all Virginia libraries employees to become involved in VLA. There has been a general feeling that only individuals with an MLS/MLIS degree can participate in many committees of VLA. As Past Chair of the Virginia Libraries Professional Associates Forum (VLAPAF), I would like to encourage increased communication between professional and professional associate staff so that we all jointly support our libraries.

Author Supplied Keywords

Professional associations; participation; networking

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Kathy Ann Clevenger, "Virginia Library Association is for ALL!" Virginia Libraries 62, no. 1 (2017). DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.21061/valib.v62i1.1467>.

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Article Types - Case Studies

- Editorial review
- “address issues that are affecting libraries today, with a narrow focus and attention to detail”

USING PROXIMITY BEACONS TO CONNECT PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL LIBRARY SPACES: A CASE STUDY

Katelyn Tucker Burton, Jason Burton, Alyssa Archer

ABSTRACT

Proximity Beacons, or iBeacons, use a Bluetooth signal to deliver messages to mobile devices when a user is in range. Radford University used iBeacons placed throughout the library to create an interactive game for National Library Week that helps students make connections between the library's physical and virtual spaces.

KEYWORDS

proximity beacons; iBeacons; library spaces

LIBGUIDES AS A PLATFORM FOR DESIGNING A LIBRARY WEBSITE

BY A. GARRISON LIBBY AND JOY L. YAEGER

Abstract:

In the fall of 2015, the librarians at Tidewater Community College decided use LibGuides in order to redesign the library website. Using LibGuides offers librarians the opportunity to quickly and easily edit the website and maintain control rather than outsourcing web control to an outside developer. The benefits of using LibGuides as a design platform are discussed, as well as the limitations and challenges.

Author Supplied Keywords:

Web design; LibGuides

Citation:

A. Garrison Libby and Joy L. Yaeger, "LibGuides as a Platform for Designing a Library Website," *Virginia Libraries* 62, no. 1 (2017). DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.21061/valib.v62i1.1463>.

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Article Types - Themed Column

- Topic proposal for editorial approval
- Editorial review
- “synthesize brief reports on a topic from libraries across the state”

UNIQUELY LENDABLE COLLECTIONS

BY LUKE VILELLE

Abstract:

Libraries of all types are branching out to provide materials to their communities well beyond just books and films. This column describes examples of unique collections at Virginia libraries (musical instruments, bicycles, tools, and more), and the partnerships that make them possible.

Author Supplied Keywords:

Circulation, Academic libraries, Public libraries, Public services, Library materials, Lending practices

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Luke Vilelle, "Uniquely Lendable Collections," Virginia Libraries 62, no. 1 (2017). DOI:
<http://dx.doi.org/10.21061/valib.v62i1.1577>.

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Article Types - Research Articles

- Peer review
- “report on in-depth original scholarly research and analysis or research studies”

A BELLWETHER FOR ALL LIBRARY SERVICES IN THE FUTURE: A REVIEW OF USER-CENTERED LIBRARY INTEGRATIONS WITH LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Liz Thompson, David S. Vess

ABSTRACT

Much has been written about the academic library's presence in Learning Management Systems (LMS). This literature mainly documents the functional design and implementation of the library tools within the parameters of a given learning management system at a given college or university. While these technology-driven articles can be helpful for institutions exploring how to connect their library to their LMS, many of the articles include limited or no reflection on user needs in the context of student learning. Those articles that do evaluate user needs often identify how well the system functions in order to make iterative functional changes, but the authors of this literature review believe user attitudes, expectations, and perceptions of library integrations are the foundation for a successful integration. In this review, the authors examine the current body of library-LMS integration literature that incorporates evaluation instruments and resulting data showing student and faculty expectations and perceptions of library integrations with the LMS.

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Article Types -

Best Practice Articles

- Peer review
- “solutions for libraries - focus on a collection of both common and unique practices aimed at most effectively handling a given scenario or scenarios”

IMPLEMENTATION OF A SELF-DIRECTED STAFF TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM AT OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

BY ROB TENCH

Abstract

Old Dominion University Library staff recently implemented a self-directed staff training program after a successful six-month pilot project by two units in the Library. Influenced by similar programs at other libraries, the plan is voluntary and collaborative. Its primary objectives are to assist employees with developing the skill sets necessary to meet 21st century library challenges.

Author Supplied Keywords

Self-training, Self-learning, Self-development, Training, Adult learning

Citation:

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