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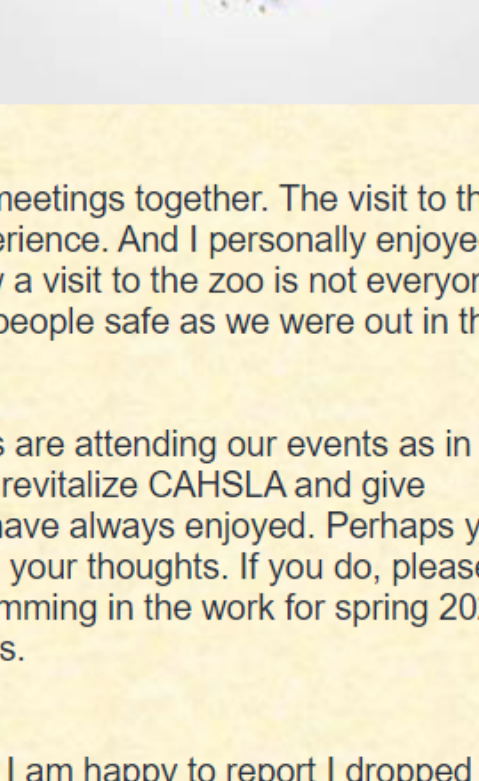
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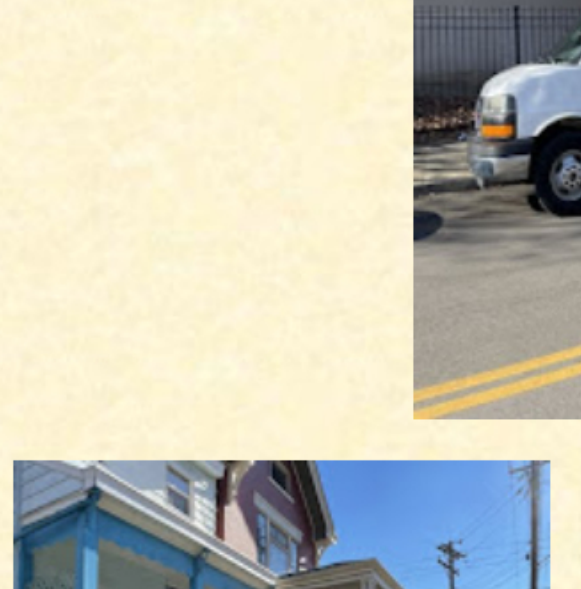
President's Page

Again we endured another extraordinary year as information professionals and citizens of the world. I believe the majority of us returned to our offices in some capacity recently, but we did not find things as we left them. How is everyone doing? Are you coping with being around people again?

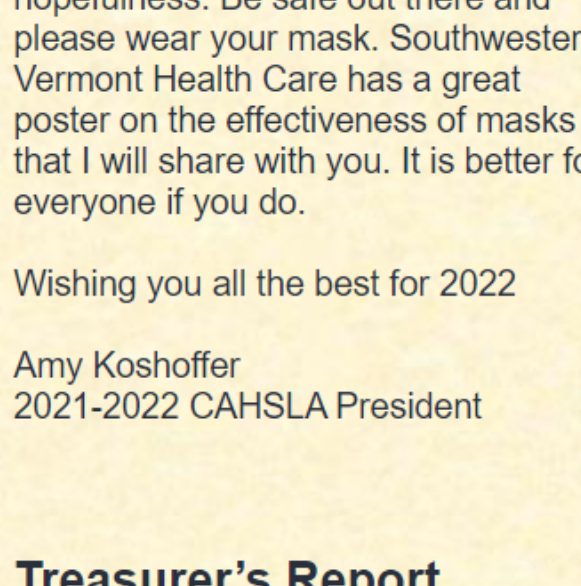
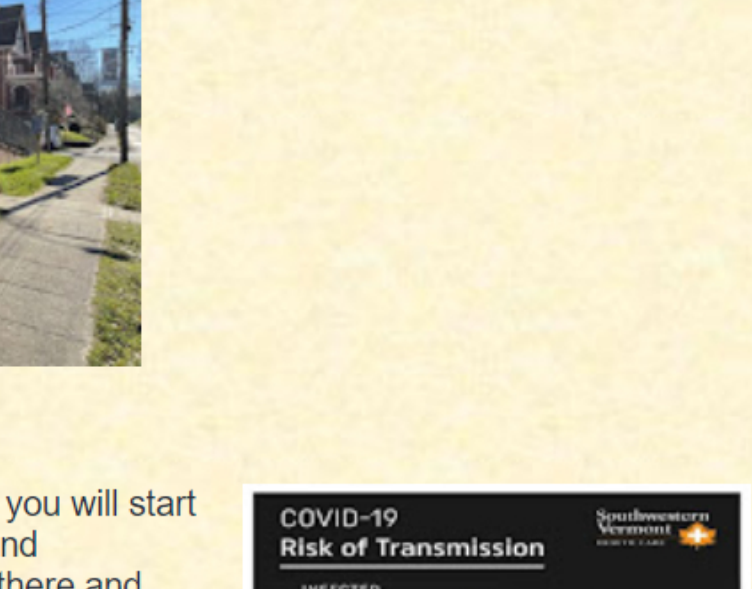


For CAHSLA, we attempted to bring some normalcy back to our meetings by meeting in person for our fall members meeting and our Holiday party. Many thanks to Alex Temple and Lisa McCormick for their work to put these meetings together. The visit to the 5th/3rd museum was an amazing experience. And I personally enjoyed the Festival of Lights at the Zoo. I know a visit to the zoo is not everyone's cup of tea, but it was one way to keep people safe as we were out in the quite cold air.

We have noticed that not as many folks are attending our events as in past years. We hope to take some action to revitalize CAHSLA and give members the sense of community we have always enjoyed. Perhaps you have ideas and would consider sharing your thoughts. If you do, please reach out. We have some great programming in the work for spring 2022. You will want to come to those meetings.



I am happy to report I dropped off 12 books on behalf of CAHSLA to the Brighton Center in Covington. I handed the books to a kind man named Evan who thanked us for our donation.



As we begin 2022, I hope you will start with a sense of purpose and hopefulness. Be safe out there and please wear your mask. Southwestern Vermont Health Care has a great poster on the effectiveness of masks that I will share with you. It is better for everyone if you do.



Wishing you all the best for 2022.

Amy Koshoffer
2021-2022 CAHSLA President

Treasurer's Report

2021-12-31 CAHSLA Treasurer Report

CHECKING BALANCE	as of 10/22/2021:	\$2,062.43
CHECKING DEPOSITS	3 memberships	\$75.00
	1 membership	\$25.00
	2 memberships (PayPal)	\$50.18
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CHECKING DEPOSIT TOTALS		\$200.36
CHECKING WITHDRAWALS		\$0.00
CHECKING WITHDRAWAL TOTALS		\$0.00
CHECKING BALANCE	as of 12/31/2021:	\$2,262.79
CASH BALANCE	as of 10/22/2021:	\$20.00
CASH DEPOSITS		\$0.00
CASH WITHDRAWALS		\$0.00
CASH BALANCE	as of 12/31/2021:	\$20.00
TOTAL ASSETS	as of 12/31/2021:	\$2,282.79

MEMBERS

- 11 Regular (Paid)
- 0 Student (Paid)
- 12 Life Members
- 23 TOTAL

Respectfully submitted by Emily Kean, Treasurer

Reminder: Membership Fees Are Now Due
For just \$25.00 (\$10.00 for students), you can:

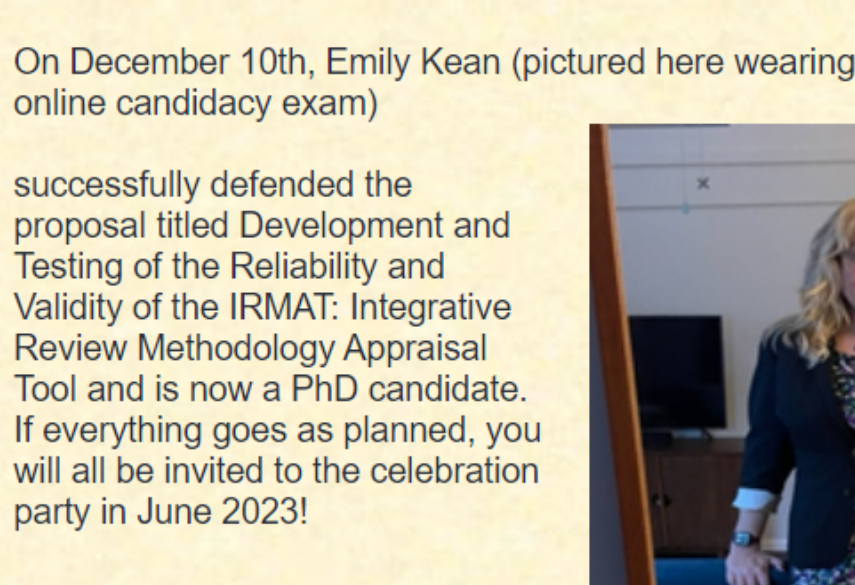
- Meet others in your field
- Exchange information with your colleagues
- Participate in local educational programs appropriate to your needs and budget
- Help build a strong and effective local health sciences library association
- Provide better service to your patrons by increasing your resource base

See our website <http://www.cahsla.org/membership/join> for a printable membership form that you can mail with a check. Or, for a small processing fee, you can pay online via PayPal on our website.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to Emily Kean (CAHSLA Treasurer) with any questions.

Secretary's Report

Annual Holiday Gathering, December 7, 2021, Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, PNC Festival of Lights



Attending: Amy Koshoffer and Martin Koshoffer; Alex Temple; Jennifer Pettigrew and guests; Tiffany Grant and guest.

CAHSLA members and guests met at The Grove at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens to enjoy the award-winning PNC Festival of Lights, voted #1 zoo lights show in the nation. The Grove offered a variety of food and drink trucks. For those of us not able to attend, this is a link to a brief video with some of the highlights of the exhibit. Despite the chilly weather, the fantastic lights and the company of colleagues and family made for a memorable evening.

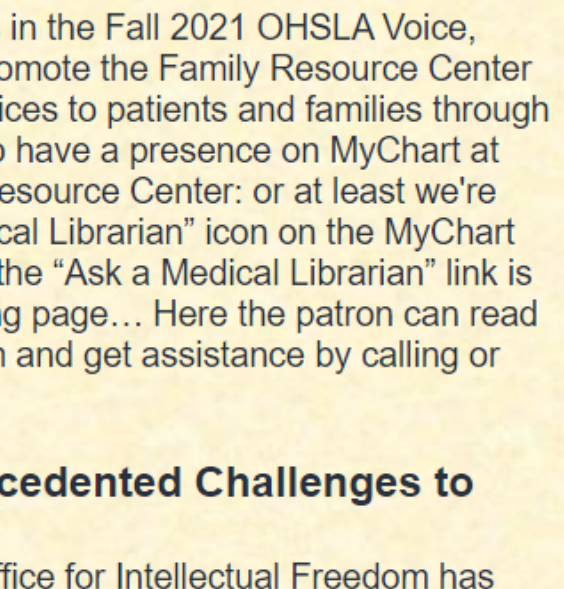
Respectfully, Lisa McCormick, Secretary

CAHSLA Colleagues

Congratulations

On December 10th, Emily Kean (pictured here wearing Cross to their online candidacy exam)

successfully defended the proposal titled Development and Testing of the IRMAT: Integrative Review Methodology Appraisal Tool and is now a PhD candidate. If everything goes as planned, you will all be invited to the celebration party in June 2023!



Best Wishes for a Happy Retirement

Valerie Ratcliff, Library Technical Assistant, TriHealth/Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science Library, is retiring after 27 years. Best wishes for a happy retirement!

Welcome

Riley Sumner, MLIS has joined the Health Sciences Library at TriHealth/Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science as Medical Librarian. Riley previously was the Hospital Librarian at the University of Louisville Kornhauser Library.

News You Can Use

Consumer Health Information Only a Click Away on MyChart

According to an article by Judy Griggs in the Fall 2021 OHSLA Voice, Akron Children's Hospital is able to promote the Family Resource Center and consumer health information services to patients and families through collaboration with the IT department with a presence on MyChart at AKC. "All Roads Lead to the Family Resource Center: or at least we're trying" describes how the "Ask a Medical Librarian" icon on the MyChart page functions. Griggs writes, "When the "Ask a Medical Librarian" link is chosen, the patron is taken to a landing page... Here the patron can read a description of how we can help them and get assistance by calling or emailing us."

School Libraries Face Unprecedented Challenges to Books

The American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom has tracked 155 incidents to ban books that have a LGBTQ+ or people of color theme since June 1, 2021, according to a CNN article by Nicole Chavez. According to the article, in 120 of those incidents, the ALA OIF has offered legal guidance to the libraries receiving the challenge. "In a statement, the group's executive board said a few organizations have pushed the idea that "the voices of the marginalized have no place on library shelves" by falsely claiming some books are subversive, immoral and induce people "to abandon constitutional principles, ignore the rule of law, and disregard individual rights."



The American Library Association annually sponsors Banned Books Week at the end of September to put a spotlight on actions throughout the country to challenge, censor, or ban certain books, and to highlight ALA's actions to support "unorthodox" authors and the individuals who wish to read these works.

Ohio's First Lady – Shining a Light on Early Literacy

Ohio's First Lady, Fran DeWine, promotes literacy at every opportunity it seems. This year, according to a WTAP news story, DeWine has several Christmas Trees at the Governor's Mansion decorated with books.

In addition, DeWine is a proponent of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program. To date, Ohio now has the most children enrolled in the Imagination Library behind Parton's home state of Tennessee. Children enrolled in the program receive a book every month until age six. The goal of the Imagination Library program is to increase literacy and to increase interactions between caregivers and children during reading activities. There is ongoing research on the national level and here locally at CHMC to demonstrate the impact of early literacy interventions like the Imagination Library program.

Faculty Position at UC Libraries

Our colleague Don P. Jason III, MLIS, MS, Health Informationist / Associate Librarian, University of Cincinnati Academic Health Center (AHC), which consists of the Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Allied Health. This service-oriented position will develop and teach classes on evidence-based practice, health informatics, knowledge generation and evidence synthesis. This is a library faculty tenure-track position. Final rank and title commensurate with education and experience.

The incumbent reports to and receives guidance from the Assistant Dean Director, Donald C. Harrison Health Sciences Library with a dotted line to the Assistant Director of Research, Data Services.

We are seeking applicants with a Master's degree in library and information science/management or relevant graduate education and previous teaching experience.

For the full position description and information on how to apply, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3IEKR1A>

Paths to Health Sciences Librarianship as Experienced by New Librarians

Via the PubMed website: ABSTRACT: Three new librarians highlight their varied pathways into health sciences librarianship and offer insight into how they are navigating the challenges and successes of being new to the profession. The authors define a new health sciences librarian as a person who has fewer than five years of experience in health sciences librarianship specifically, having either recently graduated from library school or entered the health sciences from another type of librarianship. Jamie Williams speaks about her journey from new MLIS graduate to health science librarian; Kelsa Bartley details her transition from library professional to health science librarian; and Jahala Simuel shares her experiences moving from academic librarian to health science librarian. This commentary provides strategies, tips, and tricks that new health sciences librarians may use to hone their craft and explore opportunities for professional development.

Bartley, K., Simuel, J., & Williams, J. (2021). New to health sciences librarianship: strategies, tips, and tricks. *Journal of the Medical Library Association : JMLA*, 109(2), 330-335. <https://doi.org/10.5195/jmla.2021.1184>

Book Confronts the New Normal of Working from Home

Title: *Out of Office: The Big Problem and Bigger Promise of Working from Home* by Charlie Warzel and Anne Helen Petersen
From the Penguin Random House website.

Out of Office is a book for every office worker – from employees to managers – currently facing the decision about whether, and how, to return to the office. The past two years have shown us that there may be a new path forward, one that doesn't involve hellish daily commutes and the demands of jam-packed

work schedules that no longer make sense. But how can we realize that future in a way that benefits workers and companies alike?

Based on groundbreaking reporting and interviews with workers and managers around the world, *Out of Office* illuminates the key values and questions that should be driving this conversation: trust, fairness, flexibility, inclusive workplaces, equity, and work-life balance. Above all, they argue that companies need to listen to their employees – and that this will promote, rather than impede, productivity and profitability. As a society, we have talked for decades about flexible work arrangements; this book makes clear that we are at an inflection point where this is actually possible for many employees and their companies. *Out of Office* is about so much more than zoom meetings and hybrid schedules: it aims to reshape our entire relationship to the office.

The authors discussed their book on PBS Amannour & Co episode on December 23, 2021.

From The New York Times: Vote For the Best Book

We asked readers to nominate their favorite books published in the past 125 years. This is the list of finalists: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/11/24/books/best-book-vote.html?smid=em-share>

And the winner is -- ta dah -- *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.

Final Thought

"Only when we are brave enough to explore the darkness will we discover the infinite power of our light." Dr. Brené Brown.

A reflection for the year ending. What no longer serves my highest good? What do I need to let go of or shake off? And for the new year beginning. What is it that I desire to change? What do I hope and wish for?

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