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In case you're wondering...

NOTSL Attendee Appreciation Awards were created as a way of showing appreciation for those who attend NOTSL programs. It is no secret that shrinking budgets have limited resources for continuing education for many library employees. The NOTSL Board developed these award drawings to help defray costs for two participants to attend NOTSL events. The award can be submitted with registration information and the registration fee will be waived. Who will today’s lucky winners be?

Scholarship Information / Jennifer Bull

NOTSL Scholarships are available for educational activity related to work performed in Technical Services, such as cataloging, serials, acquisitions, preservation, processing and management. Scholarships awarded can be used for short-term continuing education, but not to pay for training required by an applicant’s employer. Typically, scholarships are granted for costs related to workshops, conferences, courses and professional meetings. Applicants are required to complete an application, submit details about how the scholarship funds will be used, and provide a letter of recommendation from a supervisor, colleague or academic advisor. Details about the NOTSL Scholarships can be found on the NOTSL website. The next scholarships will be awarded in January 2012. Watch for announcements and updates to scholarship information early this fall.

A Call for Suggestions / Jennifer Bull

NOTSL Board members are always looking for program and workshop ideas. Although most ideas are submitted with meeting evaluation forms, the board is open to gathering ideas throughout the year. Suggestions for topics or speakers should be communicated to a NOTSL board member. Contact information is available through the NOTSL website. A list of the board members contact information can be found under the “About NOTSL” tab, on the NOTSL web site (http://www.notsl.org). Following the Spring meeting, the names of NOTSL Board members will change to reflect election results. For those who wonder what type of programs have been offered through NOTSL in the past, a list of programs, with links to program details, is available under the “Programs” tab.

2011 Scholarship Winners

Cheryl S. Paganelli, Kent SLIS student: assistant cataloger at a public library, pursuing MLIS focusing on Cataloging
NOTSL/Jane Myers Memorial C Scholarship: $500
Educational activity: Offset tuition cost in the KSU MLIS program

Annette M. Fuldauer-Lang, Kent Library/Media licensure student: enrolling in a course on School Library/Media cataloging
NOTSL Scholarship: $350
Educational activity: Offset tuition costs in the KSU Instructional Technology Program

Anne E. Lockard, Kent SLIS student: music cataloger pursuing additional coursework in cataloging
NOTSL Scholarship: $350
Educational activity: Offset tuition costs in the KSU MLIS program

Don P. Jason III, Kent SLIS student: pursuing advanced cataloging courses to enhance video access
NOTSL Scholarship: $350
Educational activity: Offset tuition costs in the KSU-MLIS program
Patron-Driven Acquisitions (PDA) is an acquisitions model where libraries make thousands of e-books available to their patrons, but only purchase the e-books patrons choose to read. This is a substantial change from the acquisitions model where subject specialist librarians select print materials they believe their patrons would want. This change will have an impact on library services. The speakers at NOTSL’s Spring 2011 meeting will discuss how PDA programs have impacted their libraries and library staff, share their experiences and relationships with vendors regarding PDA programs, and focus on the benefits or drawbacks for library users. Will PDA enable patrons to get what they want?

—Sarajean

WEB RESOURCES: You Can’t Always Get What They Want – Or, Can You? Patron-Driven Acquisitions / Margaret Maurer

Rick Anderson. What Patron-Driven Acquisition (PDA) Does and Doesn’t Mean: An FAQ. Posted to the scholarly kitchen blog. http://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2011/05/31/what-patron-driven-acquisition-pda-does-and-doesnt-mean-an-faq/ This FAQ is short, informative and to-the-point. In addition to Anderson’s synthesis, there are no less the 46 responses; a fascinating conversation about PDA.

Eric Hellman. Patron Driven eBook Acquisition: Crab Legs vs. Spinach. Posted to the go to hellman blog. http://go-to-hellman.blogspot.com/2010/06/patron-driven-ebook-acquisition-crab.html An interest editorial promoting PDAs. (There really are similarities between PDA acquisitions and a Chinese buffet restaurant.)


communityacademiclibraries/887739-419/problematizing_patron-driven_acquisitions_peer.html.csp
A mid-transition rant about loving and hating PDA. A library is more than a shopping site built to satisfy immediate patron needs.


Sue Polanka. No Shelf Required. http://www.libraries.wright.edu/noshelfrequired/. This informative blog includes information about the PDA model, and tons of other stuff.


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