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The full briefing document for Library of Congress staff attending ALA is available on the LC web site at <http://www.loc.gov/ala>. It consists of information about all Library service units, divisions, and offices, and covers initiatives undertaken since the ALA's Midwinter Meeting in Seattle, Washington.

GENERAL

LC Exhibit Pavilion. Librarian of Congress Dr. Carla Hayden will be at the Pavilion on two occasions. On Friday evening, the Pavilion features "Happy Hour with the Librarian of Congress" from 5:30 to 6:30. On Sunday from 9-10 a.m., the Pavilion will offer "Coffee with Carla."

Other presentations at the Pavilion are listed below. Except as noted below, each is 30 minutes.

- Featured video from the Library of Congress (Webcast), Friday, 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Monday, 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
- "Are you smarter than the Library of Congress?" Trivia Game, Saturday, 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.; Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.; Monday, 9:30 am
- Copyright: The Engine of Free Expression, George Thurnyi, Saturday 10 a.m. and Sunday 2:30 p.m.
- Enriching the Library Experience: A User-Centered Plan for the Library of Congress, Dianne Houghton and Emily Roberts, Saturday, 10:30 a.m. and Monday, 11 a.m.
- Visitor Experience Master Plan, David Mandel, Saturday, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- Author Minh Lê discusses his book *Drawn Together*, Saturday, 11:30 a.m. (60 minutes)
- Acquiring and Cataloging Foreign Materials for the Library of Congress, Erin Freas-Smith, Saturday, 12:30 p.m. and Sunday, 2 p.m.
- Learning and Innovation, Lee Ann Potter, Saturday, 1 p.m. and Monday, 12 p.m.
- PrePub Book Link: Moving CIP into the Future for Publishers, Caroline Saccucci, Saturday 1:30 p.m.; Cat Eiche, Sunday 3 p.m.
- How to Host a *By the People* Transcribe-a-thon, Lauren Algee, Saturday, 2 p.m. and Sunday 3:30 p.m.
- Connect with LC: Reference Services for All, Megan Halsband, Saturday 2:30 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.
- Have You Heard about NLS? Jason Yasner, Saturday, 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, 12:30 p.m.; Monday 1 p.m.

- Signature Programs at the Library of Congress, Jarrod MacNeil, Sunday 11:30 a.m. and Monday, 10:30 a.m.
- Veterans History Project, Kerry Ward, Sunday, 12 p.m. and Monday, 11:30 a.m.
- Modernization of the U.S. Copyright Office, Frances Carden, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.

“Office hours,” when LC ambassadors will be on hand to discuss their areas of specialization with visitors, will also be held in the pavilion. Topics with office hours are as follows.

- Learning and Innovation, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days; Monday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days; Monday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Veterans History Project, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days; Monday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Copyright Office, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days; Monday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- BIBFRAME, Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Monday, 12-2 p.m.
- *By the People*, Saturday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Monday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Law Library of Congress, Saturday and Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. both days
- Asian and Middle Eastern Division, Saturday, 9 -10 a.m.
- Program for Cooperative Cataloging, Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Monday, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Interlibrary Loan, Saturday, 12-1 p.m.; Sunday, 1-3 p.m.; Monday, 1-2 p.m.
- Cataloging in Publication, Saturday, 1 -5 p.m.; Sunday, 9 -5 p.m.; Monday, 9-11 a.m.
- Conservation, Saturday and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. both days; Monday, 12-2 p.m.
- LibGuides, Sunday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and Monday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Special Events and Tours at the Library of Congress. The Library is hosting a number of special events and tours during the conference. Many are free and do not require pre-registration. A full list of events, with a description of each, is provided on LC’s website at <https://www.loc.gov/librarians/american-library-association/annual/events-at-the-library/>. Those that may be of particular interest are as follows.

- Tours of the Jefferson Building, Thursday, 2:30 p.m.; Friday and Monday, 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
- “Be a book” tour, Friday 1-4 p.m.
- Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access special demonstrations, Monday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
 - Shelf-Ready Services at the Library of Congress
 - Foreign Acquisitions and Cataloging at the Library of Congress
 - Cataloging Policy Lab
 - The Library of Congress “eDeposit” Program, copyright deposit of born-digital resources
 - Acquisitions workflows for major acquisitions and for e-books
 - The Library of Congress CIP, CYAC, Dewey, and ISSN programs

Retail Shop. The shop will launch a new product assortment at the Conference with the quotation “Librarian, the original search engine.” Products include a tote, mug, t-shirt, magnet, keychain and pencils and will be on display at the LC Pavilion.

All ALA attendees will receive a 15 percent discount in the Shop when they present their ALA conference badge at checkout. The discount is also available online at <https://library-of-congress-shop.myshopify.com/> by using code **ALADC** at checkout. Bookmarks promoting the discount will be available at the Pavilion. The discount is active June 20-25, 2019.

The Shop will extend its operational hours on Saturday, June 22 and will close at 8 pm.

Staff Changes.

Robin L. Dale was appointed by the Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden to the position of Associate Librarian for Library Services effective April 1, 2019. Dale brings 26 years of experience to her new role. From August 2014-March 2019, she worked for the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), serving as Deputy Director for Library Services from May 2017-March 2019. In that time, she directed grant activity for the Grants to States program and also managed the discretionary grant programs, including the National Leadership Grants and the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian programs. Before joining IMLS, Dale was Senior Director for Digital Services for LYRASIS. Prior to that, she was the Associate University Librarian for Collections and Library Information Systems at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

Jessalyn Zoom was appointed chief of the Asian and Middle Eastern Division, ABA, effective May 13, 2019.

Alysia Peich and *Daniel Griffin* joined the Cooperative and Instructional Programs Division (now the Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division) on March 18, 2019 and April 1, 2019, respectively, as senior instructors.

Phong Tran was appointed deputy field directory of the New Delhi overseas office, effective May 26, 2019. He had been a cataloger of South Asian materials at LC since 2003.

Hong Ta-More was appointed head of the Middle East & South Asia Section of the Asian and Middle Eastern Division effective February 17, 2019.

Mary Jane Deeb, chief of the African and Middle East Division, retired February 28, 2019.

Vickie Crawley, head of Geography, Political Science, and Education Section of U.S. Arts, Sciences and Humanities Division retired effective April 17, 2019.

GENERAL CATALOGING

Merger of PSD and COIN. The Policy and Standards Division (PSD) and the Cooperative and Instructional Programs Division (COIN) have merged to form a new division called the Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division (PTCP). Judith Cannan is the chief of the new division. The merger was prompted by the overlap of tasks carried out by the staff of the two former divisions, including developing and communicating cataloging policy decisions, responding to queries from the cataloging community, interacting with internal and external constituents as Library of Congress experts, providing training and briefings, producing and maintaining cataloging documentation, and involvement with the Program for Cooperative Cataloging. The merged division will allow for more efficiency in these areas of overlap. It consists of two sections, with some staff members reporting directly to the chief.

Linear Name Changes for Macedonia (Republic) and Swaziland. The national governments of the Republic of Macedonia and Swaziland recently changed the names of their countries to North Macedonia and Eswatini, respectively. PSD undertook projects to update the LC/NAF, LCSH, and LCC to reflect the new country names.

The revisions to name authority records affected by the name changes, including local places and corporate bodies qualified by place, have been completed. For example, the local place heading **Bitola (Macedonia)** was changed to **Bitola (North Macedonia)** to reflect the current name of the larger place. Local place names that existed only during the time of the earlier name of the country have not been changed. For example, **Titov Veles (Macedonia)** is unchanged, but the later heading is now **Veles (North Macedonia)** because the name Titov Veles changed to Veles in 1996. See LC-PCC PS for 16.2.2.4, Choice of Larger Place, for more information.

All affected LCSH authority records have also been updated, for both countries. LCC has been updated when the revision affected the classification number; e.g., a proposal to cancel QH178.M23 in favor of QH178.N64 appeared on Tentative List 1905. Changes to LCC that do not affect classification numbers – typically, when only a change in caption is necessary – will be completed offlist in the coming months.

The *Subject Headings Manual* (SHM) and the *Classification and Shelflisting Manual* (CSM) have been revised to reflect the changes, too. In particular, CSM G 300, the Regions and Countries Table, was updated to include new cutters for the two countries (E77 for Eswatini and N74 for North Macedonia), and SHM H 1055, Yugoslavia, was updated to reflect the new name and also to describe the scope of the adjectival qualifier **Macedonian**. When used as an adjectival qualifier to denote nationality, the term refers to ancient country and kingdom of Macedonia (which later became a Roman province), the present-day region of the Balkan Peninsula that has somewhat indefinite boundaries, and/or the country of North Macedonia.

Following standard policy, the earlier and later name headings of both countries are each valid for use as descriptive access points, as appropriate. However, since each country underwent a linear name change, the descriptive access points **Macedonia (Republic)** and **Swaziland** are no longer valid for subject use. Instead, **North Macedonia** and **Eswatini**, respectively, should be assigned as subject headings and geographic subdivisions. See SHM H 708 for more information.

Program for Cooperative Cataloging.

PCC Operations Committee. The PCC Operations Committee met May 2-3, 2019, at the Library of Congress. For the first time, the meeting was also live-streamed via WebEx to allow PCC members to attend remotely. Highlights of the meeting included presentations on changes to RDA resulting from the new International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Standard “Library Reference Model” and the 3R Project, updates on PCC participation in several projects (including LD4P (Linked Data for Production), the PCC ISNI (International Standard Name Identifier) Pilot, and the CJK Funnel References Project), reports on the work of PCC standing committees and task groups, and a hands-on Wikidata workshop. A copy of the agenda, with links to the presentations and WebEx recordings, is posted at <http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/documents/OpCo-2019/Agenda-OpCo-2019.pdf>.

PCC Membership. During the first half of Library of Congress fiscal year 2019, ten institutions (including eight in Hong Kong) joined the PCC as full-level NACO members, two institutions joined as full-level BIBCO members, and three institutions joined as Enhance-level CONSER members. In addition, nine institutions joined existing NACO funnel projects (including two in Mexico), a new NACO funnel project was formed with seven charter institutional members from an academic library consortium in South Africa, and one institution joined an existing BIBCO funnel project that had expanded its geographic scope.

LD4P. Representatives of the seventeen PCC institutions selected to participate in the second phase of LD4P, the project based at Stanford University and funded by the Mellon Foundation to foster adoption and implementation of linked data, will be meeting with LD4P project partners (Cornell, Harvard, Stanford, and the University of Iowa School of Library and Information Science) on June 25-26, 2019, at the Library of Congress. A cloud-based sandbox environment, called Sinopia, is being developed for use in the creation of linked data by LD4P participants. It will eventually be open to all PCC members for experimentation.

MARC Open-Access Datasets. The Cataloging Distribution Service CDS is updating its “MARC Open-Access” datasets. The new data will include 2016 MARC records in UTF8 and XML formats and remains free to the public. Visit <http://www.loc.gov/cds/products/marcDist.php> for more information.

BIBFRAME. The Network Development and MARC Standards Office (NDMSO) and the Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division (PTCP) continue to work together on BIBFRAME development and testing. Approximately 50 Library of Congress catalogers are currently participating in BIBFRAME Pilot Phase Two. Approximately 60 additional LC staff members, including several from LC's Overseas Offices, will begin training this summer to join the Pilot by the end of the fiscal year.

Pilot participants have been creating bibliographic descriptions in both the BIBFRAME Editor, expressed in the BIBFRAME data model, and in the Library of Congress Integrated Library System (ILS), expressed in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format. The Library of Congress ILS is the "database of record," necessitating the need for duplicate bibliographic descriptions. BIBFRAME testing includes input of bibliographic data using BIBFRAME 2.0 vocabulary, input of non-Latin scripts, and the ability to incorporate authority data. Development of a policy decision on inputting non-Latin script with limited romanization is a goal for the 2019 fiscal year.

Work has also focused on providing a fuller level of interaction with a live BIBFRAME 2.0 database consisting of the complete BIBFRAME conversion of the LC bibliographic file. Features of the database include user search capability and use of linked data queries to highlight relationships between resources. Search results in the BIBFRAME 2.0 database can be refined by subject facet. Merging and matching BIBFRAME 2.0 work descriptions in the database is underway and will continue to be refined throughout 2019. Plans for 2019 include distribution of data from the BIBFRAME 2.0 database via the LC Linked Data Service: <https://id.loc.gov/>.

The Library of Congress has developed, refined, and tested code for a number of improvements to the tools that are used in the BIBFRAME Pilot. This included improved validation and posting of new descriptions to the BIBFRAME database from the BIBFRAME Editor (input tool), enhancements of the editor interface such as "mouse over" previews of fuller data in authority lookups, and streamlining of the user display. NDMSO has developed a new editor feature that enables catalogers to define and name subsets (a "template") of a profile. The template feature allows catalogers to customize the display of profile elements so that elements that are not needed for a particular type of resource can be turned off and those that are needed are turned on. Plans for the rest of 2019 include continuing to improve user interaction with these BIBFRAME Editor profiles and continuing to improve access to name/subject authority data.

The bibliographic data in the BIBFRAME 2.0 database is used in combination with authority data from the LC Linked Data Service: <https://id.loc.gov/>. In June 2019 NDMSO is adding Works to id.loc.gov when the BIBFRAME file of Works, Instances, and Items is loaded into ID. The LC Name and Subject authority files (NAF and Library of Congress Subject Headings, LCSH) have been available in ID.LOC.GOV for almost 10 years. Over time several other important files maintained by LC have been added to the ID Linked Data Service collection, such as MARC language and country codes, LC Classification, and the LC Thesaurus of Graphic Material. ID.LOC.GOV has also made available a large number of lists and terms needed by the preservation standard, PREMIS. In ID.LOC.GOV, files are available for individual search and for download or viewing in various formats including RDF (BIBFRAME, SKOS, and MADSRDF) and XML.

Since ID.LOC.GOV serves as an integral part of the BIBFRAME developments at LC, it has also recently been enhanced with a number of term lists that LC needed in BIBFRAME cataloging to support type-aheads and pick lists in the BIBFRAME Editor (input tool) and to supply URIs for entities in the BIBFRAME descriptions.

PrePub Book Link. PrePub Book Link, the software that replaces ECIP Traffic Manager, launched on May 21, 2019, for publishers and authors to request CIP data. Library of Congress staff and CIP Partnership libraries began using the new system to distribute CIP applications, input data, and return cataloging data to publishers on May 30, 2019. The former ECIP Traffic Manager system closed to publishers on

April 26, 2019, and to Library of Congress staff on May 6, 2019, to enable data migration to PrePub Book Link. Each of the 200-plus users at the Library of Congress received three hours of training in the new system. PrePub Book Link conforms to current Library of Congress information security requirements and offers improved searching and routing functions in addition to the capability to generate an initial MARC format bibliographic record from the data submitted by the requesting publisher. The system was developed by Library of Congress staff and external contractors and will be maintained by the Library of Congress information technology staff.

CIP Statistics. Through April in fiscal 2019, LC staff have cataloged 26,405 CIP titles in advance of publication. Institutional members of the CIP Partnership Program have contributed 4,057 CIP records. Contract catalogers have completed 4,003 records towards a goal of 4,500 total. The total of all CIP records cataloged in fiscal 2019 through April is 34,465.

Through April in fiscal 2019, the CIP Program has created 10,778 e-book bibliographic records and received 10,233 e-book files from 119 publisher sftp accounts. A total of 3,333 e-book files have been verified and ingested.

Cataloger's Desktop. LC is planning improvements for Cataloger's Desktop, including faster access to popular resources, support for describing and managing metadata for digital collections, and more guidance for the metadata management lifecycle.

DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGING

LC-PCC Policy Statements. Since the text of the *RDA Toolkit* is currently "frozen" while the preparations for the 3R Project continue (see <https://www.rdatoolkit.org/3Rproject>), the *Library of Congress-Program for Cooperative Cataloging Policy Statements* are frozen as well. Should it become necessary to issue new or revised policy statements prior to the release of the 3R Project, they will be posted at: http://www.loc.gov/aba/rda/lcps_access.html.

SUBJECT HEADINGS AND CLASSIFICATION

Classification Web 4. An updated interface for Classification Web will be released in late summer or early fall of 2019. The interface will have all of the same functionality as the current one and will include some additional features. Janis L. Young will demonstrate the new interface at the PCC At Large meeting, Sunday, June 23, 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Renaissance Hotel, Congressional A.

New Editions. The 2019 PDF editions of *Library of Congress Subject Headings* (LCSH), *Library of Congress Genre/Form Terms for Library and Archival Materials* (LCGFT), *Library of Congress Demographic Group Terms* (LCDGT), and *Library of Congress Medium of Performance Thesaurus for Music* (LCMPT), as well as the LC Classification schedules and tables, were published in May 2019. They may be found under "Products available for download" on the ABA website at: <http://www.loc.gov/aba/>.

"Multiple" Subdivisions in LCSH. In order to better support linked-data initiatives, PTCP has begun a project to cancel "multiple" subdivisions from LCSH. "Multiple" subdivisions are a special type of subdivision that automatically gives free-floating status to analogous subdivisions used under the same heading.

The initial focus of the project is the multiple subdivisions that are used after the topical subdivision **—Religious aspects**. As of the end of May 2019, a total of 470 authority records have been cancelled and 3,691 have been created. In addition, 93 validation records have been redesignated as full authority records.

The continued existence of a multiple subdivision for a particular topic cannot be assumed. It is therefore imperative that LCSH be searched at all times, in order to determine whether the multiple has been cancelled. Catalogers may remember the multiples **Birth control—Religious aspects—Buddhism, [Christianity, etc.]** and **Birth control—Religious aspects—Baptists, [Catholic Church, etc.]**, for example, but they were cancelled in May 2019 and replaced by 20 individual authority records. Because the multiple was cancelled, all headings of the type **Birth control—Religious aspects—[religion or Christian denomination]** must have an authority record; that is, they must be proposed as needed.

Individual multiple subdivisions should continue to be used according to the instructions in SHM H 1090 until they are cancelled.

PTCP will inform the community of its progress on the project by updating the spreadsheet on the Multiples Cancellation Project website: <http://www.loc.gov/aba/cataloging/subject/multiplescancellationproject.html>. The spreadsheet lists all of the authority records that will be cancelled, organized by MARC field tag (with each tag comprising a worksheet) and alphabetically within the tag. As each record is cancelled, its date of cancellation will be indicated in the “processed” column. The project will not proceed alphabetically, so those wishing to update their local catalogs are encouraged to download the spreadsheet periodically and sort it by the date of cancellation.

Additional information about the project may be found on the project website at the URL provided above.

New Instruction Sheets. Two new instruction sheets were published in June 2019. SHM instruction sheet H 1629.5, *Forenames and Surnames*, which provides guidelines on establishing headings for forenames and surnames that are assigned to works about the etymology of those names. CSM instruction sheet F 177, *Translations*, provides guidelines on the classification of translations. Some of the information in this instruction sheet was formerly provided in F 175, *Editions*.

Notable New Headings. Several subject headings of note have been approved since the Midwinter Meeting. They include **5G mobile communication systems; Christchurch Mosque Shootings, Christchurch, N.Z., 2019; Emotional support animals; Hula hoop toys; Overtourism; and Robocalls.**

GENRE/FORM TERMS

Art Terms. The art genre/form project was a collaborative effort of the Cataloging Advisory Committee of the Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA) and LC. The first terms were approved for use in February 2018. Since then, some additional terms have been approved as a follow-up to the project. An instruction sheet for the draft genre/form manual will be published this summer, and PTCP will begin to accept proposals for new and revised art genre/form terms after the draft instruction sheet is published.

DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP TERMS

Moratorium on Proposals. LCDGT is intended to describe the creators of, and contributors to, resources, and also the intended audience of resources. Terms may be assigned in bibliographic records and in authority records for works and expressions. The moratorium on proposals for new and revised terms that was enacted in February 2018 is still in place while PTCP thoroughly evaluates LCDGT's structure and principles.