Technical Services reorganization. The effort to reorganize YUL Tech Services (https://yale.box.com/s/oahyxu2ejhlmsja1x8qf9f351e4icr6u) has proceeded over the last year. YUL-TS successfully recruited Angela Sidman to serve as the Director of Electronic Resources and Serials Management (ERSM). Shortly after her hire on January 1, 2018, Angela led ERSM into the second phase of its reorganization by modifying the ERSM org structure and beginning recruitment for two middle management positions (more on the latter below). Searches to fill the Director of Monographic Processing Services and the Director of Resource Discovery Services positions are in varying stages of the recruitment process. Phase II of the reorg in those areas will begin after the director positions are filled.

Backlog project. The project in which Backstage Library Works is cataloging YUL materials from the old YUL-TS backlog area in the basement of Sterling Memorial Library is set to be completed this summer. The materials cataloged as part of this project are being sent to the YUL Library Storage Facility.

Librarian recruitments. As mentioned above, YUL-TS is recruiting for two managers in its ERSM department: an E-Resources Acquisitions Librarian and an E-Resources Discovery and Access Librarian.

Casalini SHARE-VDE initiative. YUL-TS, Beinecke Library Technical Services, and the Yale Center for British Arts participated actively in Phase II of the Casalini SHARE-VDE initiative by forming a working group to analyze Yale’s full catalog data set that had been converted to BIBFRAME as part of the initiative. The working group wrote a report on the data conversion and distributed it to the SHARE-VDE community.

Anticipated LD4P cohort participation. YUL-TS and Beinecke Library Technical Services are eagerly awaiting the call for participation in the next cycle of the Linked Data for Production effort. We anticipate framing our proposal for joining the LD4P cohort to focus on describing distinctive materials from the Yale general collections and rare materials from the Beinecke collections natively in linked data.

Catalog management projects. The project to bring the Yale Film Study Center collection of ~30K DVDs and VHS tapes under full bib control is due to be completed this summer. The project to transfer ~400K titles classified in the “Old Yale” classification system from Sterling Library to the Library Storage Facility is now underway. YUL-TS’s role in the project is to catalog titles that were missed in YUL’s retrospective conversion projects over the years and to enhance the cataloging of previously under-cataloged titles. The “Old Yale” project is scheduled to be completed at the end of 2019.

Acquisitions report migration project. A collaborative effort with YUL IT over the past academic year to migrate the monthly acquisitions report that YUL-TS prepares for YUL selectors from a fragile, labor-intensive spreadsheet to a self-serve Tableau environment is nearing completion. We plan to retire the spreadsheet version of the report as soon as possible after the beginning of FY19.