Colorado Council of Medical Librarians
Friday, November 12, 2021
Virtual/Zoom
Meeting Agenda

Attendance: Christi Piper, Davin Dearth, Ben Harnke, Bonnie Robinson, Carole Durst, Catisha Benjamin, Elizabeth Thoms Charles, Emily Peterson, Jeff Kuntzman, Jerry Carlson, Joe Richard, Kimberly O’Neill, Kristen DeSanto, Liz Kellermeyer, Melissa De Santis, Melissa Kovac, Raven Morrigan, Roz Farnam, Ruby Nugent, Ellie Svoboda, Shandra Knight, Marie St. Pierre

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and Speaker Introduction

9:10 – 9:55 Speaker: Courtney E. Thompson, PhD

Courtney E. Thompson. Courtney E. Thompson is an assistant professor of the history of science and medicine and U.S. women’s and gender history at Mississippi State University, where she also chairs the Medical Humanities Certificate program committee. She received her Ph.D. in History through the Program in the History of Science and Medicine at Yale University in 2015. She has published articles and short essays in Isis, Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences, Social History of Medicine, Eighteenth-Century Studies, Endeavour, and Perspectives in History, and she is currently the Book Review Editor for Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences.

Courtney will discuss her book, An Organ of Murder. An Organ of Murder explores the origins of both popular and elite theories of criminality in the nineteenth-century United States, focusing in particular on the influence of phrenology. In the United States, phrenology shaped the production of medico-legal knowledge around crime, the treatment of the criminal within prisons and in public discourse, and sociocultural expectations about the causes of crime. The criminal was phrenology’s ideal research and demonstration subject, and the courtroom and the prison were essential spaces for the staging of scientific expertise. In particular, phrenology constructed ways of looking as well as a language for identifying, understanding, and analyzing criminals and their actions. This work traces the long-lasting influence of phrenological visual culture and language in American culture, law, and medicine, as well as the practical uses of phrenology in courts, prisons, and daily life.

10:00-11:00: Member Presentation-Education Session on Research:

Christi Piper Presentation: presentation on her research on MLIS students experiences with Graduate Student employment. Implications: job postings are jargon heavy, titles for graduate employment needs to be standardized and we need to talk more about health science librarianship

Kristen DeSanto Presentation: attended the Library Marketing and Communication conference. Attended this conference as she’s been on her library’s marketing and communication committee and was looking for learning opportunities. Presentation by Deborah Hakes and Roy Cummings, 2020 Library Journal Marketers of the Year, Georgia Public Library Service. Shared slides from presentation: how to present numbers on document, transformation that they did to their library newsletter (included pictures of their patrons and topics that were more interesting), created a National Library Week toolkit

10:30-11:00a: Business Meeting
I. Review and Approval of Minutes from the September meeting
   a. Emily moves, Catisha seconds. Minutes are approved unanimously.

II. Welcome new members/attendees
   a. Hara Edwards
   b. Ruby Nugent: beginning Dec 2021-Coming back to Denver, National Jewish
   c. Ellie Svoboda

III. Brunch Drawing: Catisha, Shandra, Ruby, Hara, Kate and Jeff-winners of drawing. Congratulations!

IV. President’s Report
   a. January meeting: We will have a strategic planning meeting. Is this the best format for us today (had started as a meeting for hospital librarians to network)? Also looking at structure and hope to report back in February with drafted recommendations. Come back in February to give feedback.

V. President-Elect Report
   a. Nothing to add, always looking at suggestions for speakers.

VI. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Expenses are the gift cards and speaker’s stipend.
   b. Joe will reach out if your membership has lapsed
   c. Wells Fargo account switched to Initiate account, so we don’t get hit with as many monthly fees

VII. Committee Reports
   a. Awards
      1. Library Champion Recipient: Dr. Fran Ricker was nominated and exec committee approved.
      2. Start thinking about how you would like to nominate for Marla Graber Award (Award for medical librarians in Colorado, who has educated and helped other librarians along. Kind of a lifetime achievement award)
   ii. Call for nominations for Library Champion Award
   b. Membership/Marketing (Liz K)
      i. Accomplishments this month
1. **Dana Abbey** and Wlad Labeikovsky have had a chapter proposal accepted for a book to be published by ALA on the topic of spatial literacy in public health. The title of the chapter they are drafting is "Mapping and Evaluation of Local Public Health Resources, Access, and Populations using Free Software and Census Information".

2. **Christi Piper** and **Sam Wilairat** received the MCMLA Best Research Paper Award for their paper "Why Doesn't Anyone Want to Apply to our Jobs? A Qualitative Study on MLIS Graduate Student's Perceptions of and Interest in Health Sciences Librarianship".

3. **Ellie Svoboda** received the MCMLA/Midwest 2021 Joint Conference Viewer's Choice Award for Best Lightning Talk. Ellie’s Lighting Talk was titled "To Zoom or Not to Zoom?"

4. **Jacob Gallay** started a new position at the Strauss Health Sciences Library on November 1st as an Access Services Specialist.

5. The National Jewish Health library welcomes two new employees: **Carole Durst**, who joined in November as the Senior Library Technician and **Ruby Nugent**, who will be starting in December as the Biomedical Research Librarian. Nitzan Watman has left to be the Public Services Librarian at the Denver Botanic Gardens.

6. **Publications**


   ii. Looking at dates for getting together in person, for happy hour or games

   c. Nominating (Kristen)
i. Call for nominees for officers for 2022/23 year: Secretary & President – Elect, contact Kristen if you might be interested or if you didn’t receive the email.

d. Bylaws (Jerry): No report

e. Education (Maggie): No report

f. Internet (Jeff Kuntzman)

   i. Let Jeff know if you have suggestions, photos for websites

g. Social Media: No report

h. Archives: No report

VIII. Old Business: None

IX. New Business: None

X. Announcements

   a. Strauss Library posting two jobs, soon. Send them Christi’s way if you have interested folks

XI. Next Meeting will be February 11, 2022 on most likely on Zoom

XII. Move to adjourn: Kristen moves. Meeting adjorned.