



Illinois Library Association

ILA Forum and Committee Reports

This form is to be completed by committee chairs/forum managers in collaboration with board liaisons. The ILA Executive Board will have meetings on the following dates in 2021-22: 9/23/21, 11/18/21, 1/13/22 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/17/22, 5/19/22. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison and the ILA office, 33 W. Grand Ave., Ste. 401, Chicago, IL 60654-6799; fax: 312-644-1899; email: ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: ILA Reporter Advisory Committee

Report completed by: Dr. Pamela Thomas

Date: 8/30/21

Activities underway or completed since the last report:

The committee has met twice, on July 14, 2021 and August 19, 2021. At the July 14th meeting, topics were brainstormed for this year's issues. At the August 19th meeting, deadlines were reviewed and progress was discussed. Two articles were submitted for the September 2021 issue: Mobile Partnerships: Reaching Communities by Danielle Beasley, Susan Palmer, Sarah Taylor, and Anna Yackle; and School Librarianship During a Pandemic by Leah Gregory. Committee members are writing articles for upcoming issues or have at least selected a topic and/or contacted outside people to write an article for the upcoming issues.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

December 2021 issue (Committee deadline, 10/20/21; public deadline, 9/20/21)

Article #1 Rochelle—Jesse White festschrift

Article #2 Social work, serving the homeless, helping patrons with issues: who is working on this?

March 2022 issue (Committee deadline: 1/20/22; public deadline, 12/20/21)

Article #1 Josh: providing non-residency cards for kids, free & reduced lunch, removing barriers, not shaming the kids

Article #2 Land acknowledgement form article (Julie as liaison) Van McGary and Cindy Khatri

Article #3 Sarah—civic engagement, primaries, voting, engaging your community

June 2022 issue (Committee deadline: 4/20/22; public deadline, 3/20/22)

Article #1 Jennifer and Sarah—hybrid programming

Article #2 Rochelle & Jennifer—racism, dress codes

Article #3 Anne—mental health, self-care, coping skills—maybe a trauma-informed approach

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board:

None at this time.

