



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 2018-19: September 20, 2018; November 29, 2018; January 31, 2019; April 11, 2019; and June 13, 2019. 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: dfoote@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: ILA Reporter Advisory Committee

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

The April issue, which ILA just released, took up much of the Committee's work this quarter. Sarah McHone-Chase of Northern Illinois University managed the issue and contributed the article "People Working in the Library, but Not For the Library: Challenge and Opportunity on Campus". Kathy Ladell, also of Northern Illinois University, wrote an article on its library's reception to dedicate a portrait of Jacob Haish, one of the library's founders. Due to space considerations and the need to avoid having articles on the same library appear in a single issue, the Committee agreed to postpone publication of the Ladell article until the June issue.

Erica Cullinan, currently of the Naperville Public Library, was originally to have managed the June issue. Due to a recent job change, however, she informed the Committee that she would no longer be able to serve. Executive Director Diane Foote decided not to fill Erica Cullinan's place on the Committee until the appointments for next year go into effect. There should be

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

The remaining issue for 2018-2019 is the August one, which Robin Helenthal of the Peoria Public Library will manage. Possible topics for this issue (not specifically assigned yet) include promoting awareness of LGBTQ issues, helping reintegrate former prisoners back into the community, replacing the Dewey Decimal System with another method of organizing materials, and the presence of library branches at "non-traditional" locations, such as shopping malls.

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

The Committee does not have any at this time.