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ANNUAL REPORT



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executive summary

St. Louis Regional Library Network (SLRLN) is a non-profit member organization that provides opportunities and forums for local libraries and librarians to share resources and knowledge. The Network began in 1978 and includes members from public, academic, school, and special libraries.

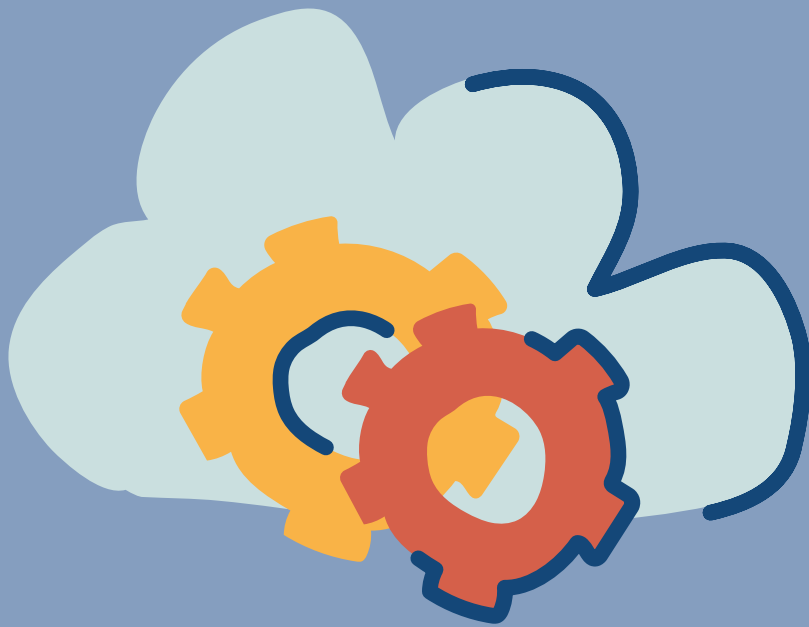
In 2019, SLRLN welcomed new members, including Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes Jewish College, one individual, and one student.

SLRLN welcomed Terrence Cotton (Maryville University) and Pam Withrow (Jefferson County Public Library) as new members of the SLRLN Council and re-elected Jeff Bargielski (Francis Howell Middle School) to serve a second term.

SLRLN hosted four professional development events and workshops with over 154 members and non-members in attendance!

Local library events like these can be found on SLRLN's calendar at <https://slrln.org/slrln-calendar>.





CO-OP PURCHASING PROGRAM

Over 20 vendors, including Booksource, Demco, Midwest Library Services, and Rainbow Book Company provide discounts to SLRLN members.

INFO-PASS

The majority of SLRLN members participate in this resource-sharing program. It allows patrons of a member library to access materials from another participating library. Materials can be used in-library or checked out when permissible.

programming report

March 6, 2019 - Tech Expo

The 14th Tech Expo was held at Logan University and attended by nearly 80 people. Presentation topics included 3D data preservation, Google Geo tools, screen-casting software, and OER.

April 24, 2019 - Spring Speaker Series
The 1949 St. Louis Exorcism: Seventy Year's Later

John Waide's presentation provided information about the principal individuals who were part of the exorcism event, a description of some of the "troubles" which befell the young man suffering from the possession, and explored why there is continued interest in this event 70 years after it occurred.

June 24 & 25, 2019 - Summer Workshop
Preservation Workshop and Exclusive Tour of the Missouri Historical Society Library and Research Center

Randy Blomquist shared the Missouri Historical Society Library & Research Center's preservation philosophies, processes, and procedures. Participants also enjoyed an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour!

October 1, 2019 - Fall Workshop
Sharpen Your Soft Skills

Jennifer Gibson shared how to communicate the value of libraries and their services. Alyce Herndon taught participants about networking and its impact on professional relationships.