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Editors' Note

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We are pleased to share with you the latest issue of
Pennsylvania Libraries: Research & Practice (PaLRaP).

New in This Issue: *In the PaLRaP Spotlight*

Beginning with this issue, we introduce a new type of article that will present brief interviews with notable individuals from the Pennsylvania library community. Our first librarian in the spotlight, Courtney Young, shares some of her thoughts with PaLRaP readers and reflects on her experience as president of the American Library Association (ALA). In future issues we hope to continue highlighting influential Pennsylvania library leaders and supporters. If you would like to nominate a potential interviewee, please contact the editorial team at palrap@mail.pitt.edu.

Welcoming New Members to the PaLRaP Editorial Team

We are happy to welcome two news editors to the *PaLRaP* team. Bryan McGeary and Stephanie Campbell recently started working to solicit and edit news items for our Noteworthy section. Additionally, Stephanie will be working on future "In the PaLRaP Spotlight" interviews. Bryan is currently a Library Specialist at the University Library System, University of Pittsburgh and is pursuing a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science at the University of Pittsburgh. He holds a PhD in American Culture Studies and a Master's degree in Journalism. Stephanie is the Head Librarian at the Glenside Free Library (Cheltenham Township, Montgomery County), and previously held positions at libraries in Lycoming, Bradford, and Tioga counties. She earned her library degree from the University of Pittsburgh and received a degree in journalism from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Heidi Card is also joining us to help with our marketing and communications needs. Heidi is the Social Media and

Collective Learning Librarian at the University Library System, University of Pittsburgh. She attended the University of Pittsburgh to obtain her Master of Library and Information Science degree. Heidi also has a Master's degree in Literature and Bachelor's degree in English, both from Hunter College in New York.

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In This Issue

The current issue contains one interview *(PaLRaP*'s first), seven practice articles, and our regular "Noteworthy" section, a collection of news briefs from Pennsylvania libraries.

In the first practice article, David Brennan talks about the challenges of providing clinical/adjunct faculty with access to library resources at Penn State Hershey. Next, Dawn States shares some information about STEM programming in a public library (Martin Library, York County). Robert E. LeBlanc and Barbara Quintiliano from Villanova University then explain how they adapted a popular teaching technique to work with ACRL's updated Framework for Information Literacy. Ashleigh Faith and Michelle Chrzanowski help readers learn about the potential of linked data when used with RDA and RDF. Angela Davis of Penn State shares some tips for those who are applying for jobs as an academic librarian. Betsy Reichart and Christina Elvidge then describe the development of an information literacy course for students enrolled in an online, proprietary college. Jennie Levine Knies and Megan Mac Gregor from Penn State Wilkes Barre share their experience working closely with students and faculty to plan a successful event highlighting undergraduate research. Finally, in the news, read about exciting developments at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania and other libraries around Pennsylvania.

Looking toward Spring

The spring issue of *Pennsylvania Libraries: Research & Practice* (volume 4, number 1) is slated for publication in March-April 2016.

You can submit an article to *PaLRaP* at any time. However, for priority consideration for the spring issue, please submit your research or practice manuscripts, commentaries, and features before February 1, 2016. This deadline will provide *PaLRaP*'s editorial staff with the time needed to consider your work, send it on to peer review (if required), request revisions, and perform copyediting and layout.

The deadline for news items submitted to the "Noteworthy" section of *Pennsylvania Libraries: Research & Practice* is later, March 1, 2016.

We hope you enjoy this issue of *PaLRaP* as much as our all-volunteer staff enjoyed preparing it. Our aim is to encourage your writing, determine ways to help your work appeal to our audience, and be responsive to reader interests and concerns, all the while maintaining accuracy, integrity, and high intellectual and ethical standards.

Upcoming *PaLRaP* Deadlines

Manuscript submissions	
(research, practice, commentary, and feature articles)	*Ongoing*
Spring 2016 consideration	*February 1, 2016*
News item submissions	*Ongoing*
Spring 2015 consideration	*March 1, 2016*