



LAMS Letters

A Newsletter of NCLA's Library Administration & Management (LAMS) Section

From the Chair: **Laurence Gavin**

It has been my pleasure to serve as the chair of LAMS. I'd like to express my thanks to those of you whom have served with me and all the volunteers that have assisted with the development and execution of programs this biennium. Special thanks go to Mike Crumpton for all his help with putting together and sending out LAMS Letters and to Lorrie Russell, whose help and guidance in conducting the business of LAMS has been invaluable. I look forward to continuing service on the board as Immediate Past Chair and the successful development of the LAMS Partnering with a Professional mentoring program.

I look forward to seeing each of you at Conference, and please remember that we will have a business meeting Thursday, October 22nd, at 5:15, room – Pebble Beach. We will officially turn over the Section to the new Chair and Vice-Chair at that time.

Included in this edition are biographies of the incoming chair, Mark Sanders, who has been our Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect over the 2013 – 2015 biennium and the candidates for Vice Chair/Chair-Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and Directors. To vote, please click here or cut and paste the following link into your web browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NQHYW33> .

Voting will close at 4:00 PM on Thursday, October 15, 2015.

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LAMS Chair - Elect

Mark Sanders

Assistant Director for Public Services
Associate Professor, Joyner Library East Carolina University Greenville, NC 27858

Education

M.S. Library Science , 2003	University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, NC
M.A Spanish Literature , 2001	Pennsylvania State University – State College, PA
B.A. Spanish , 1997	University of North Carolina – Asheville, NC

Library Experience

Assistant Director for Public Services Feb. 2011 – present
Associate Professor - Joyner Library, East Carolina University
Head of Reference Dec. 2007 – Jan. 2011
Associate Professor (tenured 2010) - Joyner Library, East Carolina University
Student Outreach Reference Librarian June 2005 – Dec. 2007
Assistant Professor - Joyner Library, East Carolina University
Outreach Services Librarian July 2003 – May 2005
Assistant Professor - Middleton Library, Louisiana State University

North Carolina Library Association Experience

Member: Library Administration & Management Section
Member 2005-2013 and Chair 2009-2011: Reference and User Services Section
Participant: 2008 NCLA Leadership Institute

My vision for the NCLA Library Administration & Management Section is the same as my predecessor, Larry Gavin. I want to build upon existing initiatives to enhance the forum where seasoned and unseasoned leaders can share their thoughts and experiences for the benefit of their respective communities, the practice of library administration and management, and nurturing leadership in the library profession.





Candidates for LAMS Vice Chair / Chair – Elect

Elizabeth Novicki

Director of Libraries, Salem Academy & College
Winston-Salem, NC

Education

MLIS, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
BA in Art History, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC

Library Experience

Director of Libraries, Salem Academy & College	2013 – present
Public Services Librarian, Salem Academy & College	2009 – 2013
Adjunct Professor, LIB100, College of Arts & Sciences, Wake Forest University	2008-2009
Library Technician – Research, Instruction & Technology Services Team, Z Smith Reynolds Library, Wake Forest University	2005-2009

Professional Associations

Member: North Carolina Library Association (NCLA)
Library Administration & Management Section (LAMS)
Member: American Library Association (ALA)
Library Leadership & Management Association (LLMA)
Member: Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL)
Participant: 2013 College Library Director Mentoring Program
2013 ALA Leadership Institute

Other Relevant Experience

2015-2018 Board Member, College Library Director Mentoring Program
2015-2016 Chair, NCICU Library Purchasing Committee
2014-2015 Chair-Elect, NCICU Library Purchasing Committee

My vision for the NCLA Library Administration & Management Section is to collaborate with North Carolina library schools in higher education in order to improve alignment between the “teaching of libraries” and the “practice of libraries”. Our future administrators and managers need the relevant skills that will enable them to succeed in the 21st century library.

Tracy L. Pizzi

Senior Librarian/Head of Cataloging and Metadata
Central Piedmont Community College

Education

MSIT, East Carolina University (Expected 2017)
MLIS, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
BA in Music, Wingate University

Library Experience

Central Piedmont Community College:
Senior Librarian/Head of Cataloging and Metadata, 2014-present
Cabarrus County Public Library:
Technical Services Manager, 2012-2014
Union County Public Library:
Reference/Circulation Services, 2008-2012
Queens University of Charlotte - Everett Library:
Patron Services, 2011-2012
University of North Carolina at Charlotte - J. Murrey Atkins Library:
LIS Student in Residence Program, 2011

North Carolina Library Association Experience

NMRT: Mentoring Committee Chair, 2013-2015
NCLA Biennial Conference Planning Committee, Poster Session Committee, 2015
Current Member: NMRT, LAMS
Past Member: PLS, RTSS

Other Relevant Experience

2011 North Carolina Public Library Certification

It is my hope to serve as the Vice Chair/Chair Elect on the NCLA LAMS Executive Board for the 2015-2017 biennium. With my experience in both public and academic libraries, I believe that I can offer a diverse perspective on leadership and management. I would also like to focus on how we can best support and mentor our library school students and future leaders in the library profession within our state of North Carolina.

Candidates for LAMS Secretary/Treasurer

Siobhan Loendorf

Assistant Library Director
Catawba County Public Library
Newton, NC

Education

MSLS, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
BA in French Education, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

Library Experience

Catawba County Public Library
06/2014 – Present: Assistant Library Director
01/2014 – 6/2014: Librarian Branch Manager Sherrills Ford Library
11/2011 – 1/2014: Supervising Librarian - Conover & Claremont branches

St Ann Elementary School
8/2009 – 11/2011: Media Specialist

8/2007 – 7/2009: EPA & NIEHS Library Intern

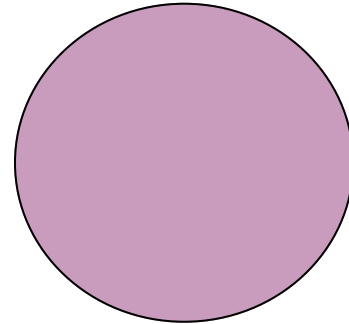
North Carolina Library Association Experience

Member: Library Administration & Management Section
Member: Public Library Section
Participant: 2014 NCLA Leadership Institute

Other Relevant Experience

2011: North Carolina Public Library Certification
Current Member: Public Library Association, American Library Association

I would like to participate in the NCLA Library Administration & Management Section so that we can help cultivate successful library leaders that enhance library services and workplace environments. I envision Library Administration & Management section as the communication center that connects and relays important initiatives, information and best practices to leaders across the state.



MaryAnne Sommer

Information Services Manager- East Regional Branch
Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center
Fayetteville, NC

Education

MLS, Indiana University
BA in English, Indiana University

Library Experience

Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center
5/2014 – Present: Librarian II – Information Services Manager- East Regional Branch
2/2009 – 4/2014: Librarian I – East Regional Branch & Hope Mills Branch

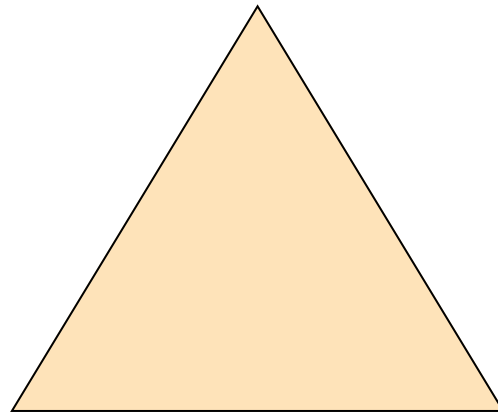
North Carolina Library Association Experience

Member: Library Administration & Management Section

Other Relevant Experience

2013 – Present: Employment and Small Business Task Force
2009 – Present: Information Services Council
2009 – Present: Innovation Review Team

I have enjoyed being involved in LAMS events for the past two years and would appreciate the opportunity to take a more active role as the committee's Secretary/Treasurer and continue to help develop leadership in the professional library community.



Candidates for LAMS Director at Large

Brandy Hamilton

Regional Library Manager
Wake County Public Libraries
Raleigh, NC

Education

MSLS, University of South Carolina, Columbia
BA in English, University of South Carolina, Conway

Library Experience

Lexington County Public Library, Library Assistant 1998-1999
Wake County Public Libraries, Reference Librarian 2001-2005
Wake County Public Libraries, Readers Services Manager 2005-2010
Wake County Public Libraries, Regional Library Manager 2010-present

North Carolina Library Association Experience

Leadership Institute Attendee 2002
Membership Committee Member 2002- 2011
Membership Committee Chair 2008-2009
Website Redesign Committee 2009
National Library Legislative Day Advocate Attendee 2009-2014
Unconference Committee Member 2010
Conference Planning Committee (Store and Raffle) 2013
Public Policy Chair (Changed to Legislative and Advocacy Committee) 2011-2013
Library Administration and Management Section Director 2011-2015
Continuing Education Liaison 2014-2015

Relevant Experience

Event Planning- Extensive experience in planning and executing small and large scale library events, festivals and programs

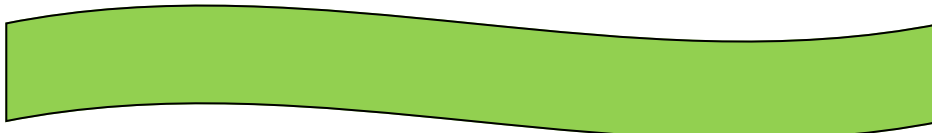
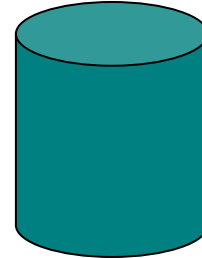
Presenting - Presented on many library topics including: management, interviewing, change, and advocacy

Management – Extensive management experience, including multilevel supervision

Mentoring- Serve as mentor and trainer for library staff and managers

Personnel – Extensive interviewing, hiring and staff development

I am passionate about libraries and leadership! I have an eagerness to assist new managers and other library staff members develop their skills for success. I am also interested addressing the interests and concerns of seasoned managers. I believe all these things can be accomplished by facilitating and developing quality LAMS programs, experiences, and networking events.



Lara Luck

Collection Development Manager
Forsyth County Public Library (NC)
Winston-Salem, NC

Education

MLIS, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
BS in Biology/Chemistry minor, Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA

Library Experience

Forsyth County Public Library (NC)
2/2015 – Present: Collection Development Manager
2/2011 – 2/2015: Rural Hall Branch Library Manager
7/2009 – 2/2011: Children's Room Supervisor – Central Library
2/2007 – 7/2009: AV/Circ. Supervisor – Central Library
4/2004 – 2/2007: Youth Services Librarian
2/1998 – 4/2004: Library Assistant II
9/1996 – 2/1998: Library Page

North Carolina Library Association Experience

Member: Library Administration & Management Section

Member: Public Library Section

Member: Youth Services Section

Board member, 2003-2011

Chair, 2007-2009

Member: New Members Roundtable

Board member, 2013-current

Member: Women's Issues in Libraries Roundtable

Participant: 2012 NCLA Leadership Institute

Other Relevant Experience

2007: North Carolina Public Library Certification

Current Member: ALA, NCLA, ARSL

(Association for Rural and Small Libraries)

North Carolina Children's Book Award Committee, 2012 - current

Lorrie Russell
Assistant Director
High Point Public Library

Education
MLIS, University of Southern Mississippi
BA in English/Communications, Campbell University

Library Experience
High Point Public Library:
Assistant Director, 2008-present
General Research Supervisor, 2006-2008
East Mississippi Regional Library:
Assistant Director, 1997-2000
Branch Manager, Stonewall Public, 1993-1996
Branch Manager, Quitman Public, 1990-1992
Enterprise Elementary School, Media Specialist, 1996-1997

North Carolina Library Association Experience
Currently Treasurer Elect of Association/Treasurer, 2016-2017
Leadership Institute Planning Committee Member 2012, and 2014
NCLA Executive Board Restructure Committee Chair, 2014-2015
NCLA Biennial Conference Planning Committee, Program Sub-Committee Chair, 2015
NMRT: Secretary, 2012-2013, Committee member 2010-2013
Membership Committee member, 2010-2012
Member: Library Administration & Management Section, Chair 2012-2014
Member: Public Library Section

Other Relevant Experience
1999 Beta Phi Mu, Beta Psi Chapter, Lifetime Member
2006 North Carolina Public Library Certification
Current Member: Public Library Association, American Library Association

I believe that my experience in both public and school libraries makes me empathetic to the needs and challenges facing librarians today. I feel that my job allows me to serve as a mentor to others, and help them carve a path for where libraries are going. I would like to continue to serve on the LAMS board, and be a voice for those who training to be our future leaders.



Kelly Vadney
Assistant Director,
Sandhill Regional Library System, Rockingham NC

Education
MSLS, University of South Carolina, Columbia
BA in History (Major)/Journalism (minor) SUNY Albany, New York

Library Experience
Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center (CCPL&IC,) N.C.
5/2013- Present- Librarian I, (Took on the Local & State History Librarian Role in June 2014- splitting time between Information Services and L&S)
7/2008- 4/2013: Circulation Manager, Beaufort County Library, S.C.
8/2000- 4/2006: Employed part-time by the Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar N.Y. (Initially as a student page, and upon promotion as a circulation clerk, 7/2002)

North Carolina Library Association Experience
Member: Library Administration & Management Section
Member: Public Library Section
Member: Reference and Adult Services Section
Participant: 2014 NCLA Leadership Institute
Scholarship Recipient: 2012 NCLA conference attendance

Other Relevant Experience
Other professional jobs include media/ newspaper reporting experience.

I would like to express my gratitude and excitement for receiving a nomination to serve as a Director At-Large with the Library Administration & Management Section of the NCLA. As a Director At-Large for LAMS, I would work with seasoned and experienced leaders in an effort to help the section connect with new and emerging librarians. As a relatively newly degreed information scientist, I will bring to the table a fresh perspective. My primary interests are forging quality connections between professionals of different backgrounds and experience levels, and also, ensuring that LAMS offers a variety of professional development opportunities on a wide array of topics.



Congrats to the graduating class of 2014!!

