

President's Message



Early signs indicate that 2004 will be a great year for LAB!

We have 18 new members and I feel very pleased and privileged to welcome you all aboard. Welcome back to those who are returning.

January seems to be a good time for Theater Night as it enjoyed record turnout on the 24th. It was LAB Night at the Phoenix! This annual event is always a highlight of our social calendar.

Please note that it's not too late to volunteer yourself or one of your colleagues to serve on the LAB Executive Board, either in the office of Treasurer or of Vice President/President Elect. This is a truly rewarding and fun way to gain valuable professional experience and growth.

Come on out to the general meeting and vote! You can find the current LAB by-laws in the front section of your 2003 membership directory or at www.lib.fit.edu/lab. Your vote is important so please mark your calendar and plan to attend this meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Suzy Jones
LAB President

General Meeting

Wednesday, March 31st
6:00 PM

Central Brevard Public
Library and Reference
Center
Meeting Room 3

308 Forrest Ave., Cocoa
633-1792

Special Guest Speaker:
Michael J. Boonstra, CG

Michael Boonstra holds a B.A. in International Studies from American University in Washington, D.C. and M.A in Humanities with a specialty in History from California State University, Dominguez Hills. He also holds a specialty certification in genealogy from the Board for Certification of Genealogists in Washington, DC.

Mr. Boonstra currently serves as a Documents/ Genealogy Librarian at the Central Brevard Public Library and Reference Center and, before that, served for five years as the Genealogy Librarian at the BCC Library in Cocoa. He will speak on the topic of Genealogy.



Notable News



At this month's spring general meeting, members will elect the 2004/2005 slate of officers and membership directories will be distributed as is customary. There will also be an opportunity to vote to amend sections of the LAB by-laws. Approved changes will take effect immediately but will not be published until 2005.

A vote regarding Article IV, Sect. 4 will be taken on whether to raise the maximum number of consecutive terms for elective officers from two to three and a vote regarding Article V, Sect. 2 will be taken on whether to change the requirement for an annual professional workshop to an annual professional workshop or roundtable.

Looking Ahead...

The 2004 Banquet is set for Saturday, June 19th, at Chowder's Seafood Grille on the riverfront near Pineda Causeway (SR 404) in North Melbourne. Watch for details in the summer newsletter.

Contact members of the LAB Executive Board with your ideas, requests, comments or concerns at www.lib.fit.edu/lab.