



President's Message



"Accumulating concepts and ideas will make you an intelligent person, but to be a great person you must utilize that intelligence to have a beneficial impact on our society."

-Achal Upadhyaya

I just wanted to take this opportunity to express how important I believe it is to take an active part in the local community, and how lucky I am to be associated with LAB in general, and every person in the organization. Thank you!

I found the above quote among a number of recent university graduates waxing poetically on community service, and it struck a chord with me (sorry - don't have the attribution, ...bad librarian!). I've been very lucky to have been a part of a number of community organizations of differing stripes, from LAB to volunteer weather watcher to being on the board of an 800 person, highly granola crunchy alternative housing co-operative. Common to all were a dedicated group of people who valued being in each other's company as much as rendering the services needed, and, for me, the experience of the people encountered on the path is the best and most satisfying reward one can get in return for service.

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In that vein, I would like to say that LAB is *your* organization as much as anyone else's, and to be successful in its aims, it must encompass active participation from among the membership as much as possible. From formulating position statements to organizing continuing educational sessions for meetings, to coming up with creative ways for spending what we have left in the bank (!), the participation of the membership is needed not only to remain vital, but to perpetuate that vitality over the long-term.

I encourage each and every member of LAB to step up and become active, be it in LAB (we need officers!) or any other local organization that seems worthy to you.

Thanks again,

Rick
Richard Shea
President,
Library Association of Brevard

Notable News



The 2011 LAB directories will be distributed at the General Meeting.

Also, there will be a vote to elect the 2011/2012 slate of officers.

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General Meeting



Wednesday, April 27th
6:00 PM

Hosted by

Richard Shea

at

Keiser University Library

900 South Babcock St.
Melbourne, FL 32901
(321) 409-4800

Directions:

From Interstate 95 north or south, exit east at Route 192. Continue east to Babcock Street and make a left. Continue to the intersection of Babcock and NASA Boulevard. The campus is on the NW corner of Babcock and NASA.

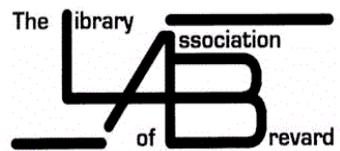
Refreshments will be served!

LAB needs officers!



Please consider volunteering to run for one of the following 2011/2012 offices: Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary.

If interested, please contact LAB President, Richard Shea, at rshea@keiseruniversity.edu.



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