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May Stats are due June 5

MALA Updates

Annual Agreements

Watch for your Annual Agreement and annual fee (if appropriate) to come to through your director's inbox this month. Annual Agreements are due back by June 1. Invoices are due by August 2. *If you have had a director change over this fiscal year and have not yet notified MALA, please send the new contact information to marcychiasson@mid-americalibraryalliance.org ASAP. Thanks.*

Label Protocols

Please make sure that you are using the most current courier labels when preparing bags for delivery. Sometimes library codes will change and if you are using labels that are not printed directly OR recently from the MALA website, the code may not be the correct one. For example, Camden County Public Library's code used to be 102 but it was changed a year ago to 126. If you have any questions, please call the MALA office at 816-575-6067.

Tres Amigos Bags

If you have an excess of Tres Amigos courier bags, please send them back to the MALA office. We are unable to get additional bags from Tres Amigos at this time. If you have any item going to a Tres Amigos library but you don't have a purple bag, **as long as the courier label is correct**, you can use one of the MALA courier bags to deliver the item in.

May Meet and Greet Courier Meeting

Join Linda Tarantino, MALA's Courier Coordinator, for an online meeting to share information, problems, solutions or just visit about courier related items.

Topic: Meet & Greet

Time: May 19, 2021 02:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://zoom.us/j/97821035432?](https://zoom.us/j/97821035432?pwd=TDhEU0JQTFJ5RTZ1ZjBFK1FXeWxwQT09)

[pwd=TDhEU0JQTFJ5RTZ1ZjBFK1FXeWxwQT09](https://zoom.us/j/97821035432?pwd=TDhEU0JQTFJ5RTZ1ZjBFK1FXeWxwQT09)

Upcoming MALAPro Webinars

The Foundation for Building a Successful Team

with Pat Wagner, Management Consultant, Pattern Research

Thursday, May 20, 2021, 10:00-11:00 AM

Team building is an essential component to running a successful organization. Working in harmony with one another can be a difficult task, even for some of the best communicators. Join Pat Wagner, for this one-hour session as we dive into key aspects of how to establish or re-establish our team communication. Attendees will learn how to cooperate with peers and staff members as we re-connect from the previous year.

[Register here](#)

Technology Ownership: Examine the Total Cost

with Lauren Hays, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Instructional Technology at the University of Central Missouri

Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 2:00-3:00 PM

Need to buy new technology for your library? Have you considered the total cost of ownership? Librarians need to be informed fully before deciding where to allocate funds. Join Lauren Hays, as we examine a total cost of ownership model and provide helpful tips for how librarians can decide what technology is worth the cost.

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