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**October Stats are
due November 5**

MALA Updates

Veteran's Day Closures

Please make sure that you have reported to MALA if you will be closed on this Federal Holiday. The courier system IS running on that day and we need to alert Henry and your courier in advance if you are closed. [Report closures here](#)

November Meet and Greet Courier Meeting

Join Linda Tarantino for the monthly Meet & Greet. Meet new librarians, share information and learn what's going on around the state.

Time: Wednesday, November 10 at 2:30 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/91402159115?](https://zoom.us/j/91402159115?pwd=eVJvdFNtV0tINmFqR252cVVzOU4zQT09)

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A Note from MALA's Executive Director:

Our courier, Henry Industries, is experiencing staffing issues in a few areas of the state. In our communities, we have all experienced the struggle to find workers in certain service industries. I wanted to point this out because it has resulted in some inconsistent drivers on a few routes on some days. Henry sometimes brings in subs to drive routes who may not be familiar with the libraries. Please, as always report any problems on our website form. We are in contact daily with Henry based on these problem reports. We can provide better responses when you report them daily rather than let them accumulate. As always, feel free to reach out to me at any time. Thank you for all you do for access to library materials for the residents of the State of Missouri.

All best, Jane

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New MALA Members beginning November 1

New Henry labels have been uploaded onto MALA's website with a few changes. Please make sure that you note these changes and discard any old labels.

[Click here for labels](#)

New members

Academie Lafayette/Cherry Street

Academie Lafayette/Armour Blvd.

MALAPro Webinars in November

Resiliency

with Pat Wagner, Management Consultant, Pattern Research

Wednesday, November 3, 10 to 11:00 a.m.

Topics include respite and good humor, developing a sense of perspective, finding ways to make small steps when big steps are impossible, learning tips from the experiences of people who have survived physical and emotional trauma, and how library personnel can help themselves and their stakeholders feel more resourceful in hard times.

[Register here](#)

Readers' Advisory for Mystery Book Clubs

with Shirley Braunlich, Lawrence Public Library

Wednesday, November 17, 10 to 11:00 a.m.

Mystery is a widely varied and popular genre. Shirley Braunlich facilitates a book club where members read a different subgenre of mysteries for each meeting. Thanks to the popularity of this book club, she has developed a strong knowledge of the wide range of mystery subgenres and is excited to share what she's learned. In this one-hour live webinar, she will present an overview of how and why her book club has a unique structure and share her favorite readers' advisory resources.

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