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#### President's Corner

I would like to welcome old and new members to LSSIRT. I may not be a familiar face to some of you so let me take this opportunity to reintroduce myself. My name is JP Pendleton and I am the current LSSIRT president for the 2012 -2013. For the last 4 years, I have served in several positions on the LSSIRT steering committee including Member-at-Large and Vice President-Elect. When I am not working on LSSIRT business, I run the Circulation and Resource Maintenance Department at Auburn University Libraries.

It means a lot to me and I am very proud to be a paraprofessional/ paralibrarian. Over the years, I have worked several jobs, from being a laborer in a popcorn factory to a ground hand building cell towers, one

might say that I have become a jack of all trades. I look back on all those jobs and see a correlation with what we do as support staff in the library. We serve! We serve our patrons, our community, our schools and, most importantly, our families. For me, that service means a lot: it's rewarding and fulfilling. We all have those horror stories of a bad patron or bad situation but those are easily forgotten with good ones. So how does this all tie into LSSIRT? We are your voice; we are here to serve you. I know most of you are unable to attend ALA annual conference but don't let that discourage you from joining. You still have a voice that needs to be heard. So please consider joining a wonderful organization.

Finally, I look forward to this year's midwinter



LSSIRT President J.P. Pendleton

conference in Seattle. We have an awesome steering committee that works hard for LSSIRT and I can't say enough about our past president, Trish Palluck. She is a wonderful leader and has left some big shoes for me to fill. I am excited about the continued success of the LSSC and what wonderful news they may offer. I also look forward to hearing from any of our members. So please feel free to contact me with any questions about LSSIRT or regarding support staff happenings. You can call me at 334-844-4094 or email me at: pendlaj@auburn.edu.

## ISSIRT Mni Mnutes — Anaheim

LSSIRT Steering Committee/ Membership Meeting Saturday, June 23 2012 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Hilton Anaheim – Monterey Room

Trish Palluck, President called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. The agenda will probably change,

### **ISSIRT Mni Mnutes—Anaheim cont.**

Beatrice Colvin, ALA Staff liaison, discussed our Night Out and ALA-APA.

J. Linda Williams, ALA Executive Council liaison, came and discussed the concerns about membership and the ALA Roadmap for Change, with LSSIRT's involvement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Library Journal's reception for the Paralibrarian of the year will be held at Tortilla Jo's at 5:30 PM and the LSSIRT's Dining Out will be held at Ralph Brennan's lazz Kitchen at

Brennan's Jazz Kitchen at 7:30 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM

# ALA-APA Networking Reception

Now that you have registered for the 2013 ALA Midwinter Meeting experience a taste of Seattle's nightlife at this premier social event. Join your colleagues for an evening of fun, music and refreshments while supporting a worthy cause. Take advantage of this opportunity to win one of the door prizes as you mingle and network

with other library professionals.

When: Saturday, January 26,

2013

**Time:** 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

**Location:** W Hotel (Seattle, Washington) - Great Room 1

Ticket Price: \$50

You can register as part of the 2013 ALA Midwinter Meeting by visiting the registration page.

Or, you can mail payments

to: ALA-APA, Networking

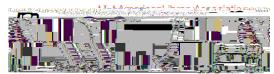
Reception Attn: Kimberly Redd, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. For sponsorship opportunities contact: info@ala-apa.org or 312-280-4278.

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# **ISSIRT Steering Committee Mdwinter Meeting**

Please come to LSSIRT's Steering Committee Meeting at ALA's Midwinter meeting in Seattle on Saturday January 26, 2013 from 8:00am to 12:00pm in the Washington State Convention Center room #615. This meeting is open to all and we encourage Library Support Staff to attend this general membership meeting.





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"Do it,
and then
you will
feel
motivated
to do it."
~Zig
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