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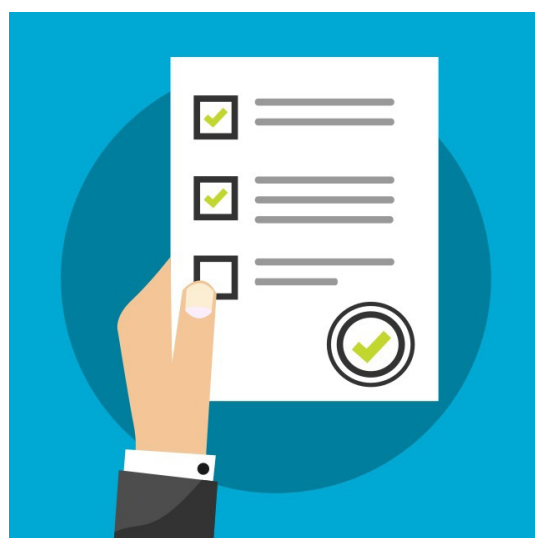
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Message from the Chair Cindy Sheffield

Hⁱ, all!

It has been a busy fall! Neyda Gilman has submitted all of the DBIO proposals for the Cleveland 2019 SLA Conference, and so now it's up to the ACAC. The Nominations Committee has identified a full panel of Board Members for DBIO's 2019 Board. I had the pleasure of posting those nominations on [SLA Connect](#) today. A full description of each member and their photo is within this issue of *Biofeedback*. I am still working on scheduling a Holiday Inspirations Virtual Event otherwise identified as the DBIO HIVE. It will be held the week before Thanksgiving. During this virtual event please dress as formally or informally as you choose, and have whatever beverage you want to enjoy our festivities. I'll keep this message brief and save more details for when we meet next month!



2019 DBIO Nominations

Cindy Sheffield

I am thrilled to announce we have an excellent panel of nominations to join DBIO's 2019 Board. Please cast your vote as soon as possible, as we have a short voting cycle this year. Votes will be finalized next week on Thursday, November 1 at 9 p.m. EST! Thank you to the entire nominating committee for your efforts in bringing together this panel.

These members will join Peggy and me to form the 2019 Board.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/dbionominations>



CHAIR

Neyda Gilman is the Nursing and Pharmacy Librarian at Binghamton University. Before coming to Binghamton she worked at the College of Agriculture at Colorado State University, and in the Learning Commons at Syracuse University. She earned her MLS at the University at Buffalo in 2013 after deciding to change careers. She previously worked in a variety of laboratories as a Medical Technologist with a bachelor's earned at the University of Utah in 2006.

SECRETARY

Kristen Chapman has been working in libraries since 2003; first as a circulation assistant at Cedar Crest College, where she tri-majored in History, Political Science and Religious Studies, and then after graduation, as a serial technician at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, DC. She received her master's degree in Library and Information Studies from the University College of Dublin, in Dublin, Ireland. Following a deployment to Afghanistan with the United States Army Military Intelligence Corps, Kristen became director of the MedStar Franklin Square's Medical Library in Baltimore, Maryland, then with the Ochsner Medical Center's Medical Library in New Orleans, Louisiana. She came back to the DC metro area to work as a medical librarian at the National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, Maryland. Kristen is currently the clinical librarian with Howard University's Howard University Hospital, working with providing access to residents, faculty and staff.



TREASURER



Layla Heimlich has been a medical librarian at MedStar Washington Hospital Center and a member of SLA since 2007. She has been the Chair of the DBIO Medical Section (2010), and has held various positions on the board of the DC SLA Chapter, currently serving as Treasurer. She received her MILS from the Pratt Institute in New York in 2007, where she specialized in medical librarianship.

Layla's additional nonprofit financial experience includes current service as Treasurer for the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the MLA, as well as prior service as treasurer for other local chapters of non-library-related national nonprofit organizations (multiple terms as treasurer for the Old Stone House Society, Children of the American Revolution and for the New York Chapter of the Friends of Lulu, promoting women in comics), and current service as chair of the finance committee for the Manor House Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and as a member of the bookkeeping committee of the Bethesda Elementary PTA. She has experience with Quicken, QuickBooks, and the use of Excel spreadsheets for finance and budget work.

DIRECTOR

Gail Hendler is currently director of the Health Sciences Library, Loyola University of Chicago. Gail's career spans over twenty years doing teaching, research and outreach service in a variety of health sciences libraries on the East Coast and Midwest. Gail earned her master of library and information science from Queens College, City University of New York and has been a passionate contributor to the literature of consumer health, outreach and information skills training.





MEDICAL SECTION CHAIR

Amy Jankowski is currently the Life Sciences Librarian at the University of New Mexico (2016-present), where she serves as the liaison to the Biology and Sustainability Studies programs and performs outreach, instruction, research support, and collection management. Prior to becoming an academic librarian, Amy worked for San Diego Zoo Global (2011-2015), first as Assistant Librarian and later as Associate Director of Library Services, where she supported the work of researchers and practitioners engaged in animal and plant care, veterinary practice, and conservation science. Amy joined SLA in 2011; since that time, she has served in a number of leadership roles, including a present term as a Director on the SLA Board of Directors (2018-2020).



We continue our biographical series of DBIO members with—

David Matthews

Claudia Lascar

David Matthews isn't a librarian, but he's been part of DBIO for 11 years. David is a graphic artist and a graphic designer in the true sense of the word, and if you want to know if there is a difference between the two, YES, it is a huge one. The graphic designer is the one who facilitates content and functionality, which are critical for a website. However, the graphic artist is the one who takes a website from an ordinary stage to the extraordinary level that David does: he brings vision and imagination, and makes them tell their story. Each website has a story, and if this story is not readily grasped, then the graphic artist has not been there. This is not the case with the DBIO website and the Medical Section website. Perhaps you need to give them a second look.

In 2007, David was hired by DBIO to design the Division's logo and dbiosla.org website (it turned out he had to design a second website for the Medical Section; the project becomes a lot more complicated than expected requiring the design of a website, within a website).

He has been working with Home Page Committee co-chairs Claudia Lascar and Monica Kirkwood ever since to keep our website running smoothly.

David lives near Toronto, Canada, with his wife (and former academic librarian) Amy, and their three children. David and Amy run Ink Stain Design (inkstaindesign.com), specializing in branding, web design, and social media.



DAVE MATTHEWS AND FAMILY

Howard Fuller Lori Bronars

Where were you born?

I was born in Milwaukee, Wiscon.

Where did you grow up (childhood-high school)?

I grew up in and went to high school in Milwaukee.

When did you decide you wanted to become a librarian?

A few years after being awarded my undergraduate degree and working, I knew I needed to figure out what kind of work I wanted and could do into retirement. My undergraduate degree was in cardiac rehab and health education. While I loved the work, I knew it wasn't something I would perform long-term. After reflection and looking at local graduate school options, I applied to library school and (graduate) nursing school. I was firm in that whichever acceptance letter was received first would be the program I would enroll in. Needless to say ...

Where did you study to become a librarian?

The University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

Approximately how long have you been a member of DBIO?

Since the early or mid-1990s.

What type of reading do you do for pleasure?

I tend to read non-fiction. Reading for pleasure is something I never really cultivated and, in fact, I didn't enjoy reading until I was in my 40s.

Have you recently read a book, an article or a blog that you would recommend?

I've recently finished *Hunting the Truth: Memoirs of Beate and Serge Klarsfeld*, and am currently in the middle of reading *Superheroes and Their Ancient Jewish Parallels: A Comparative Study*. I recommend both highly..



What are some of your non-work interests?

Lately I enjoy putzing around the house and yard. I belong to a hiking group, too. We recently hiked the George C. Reifel Migratory Bird Sanctuary in Delta, British Columbia.

Where did you travel to for your longest trip and from where?

The single longest (in miles) flight I've experienced was from San Francisco to Tel Aviv, Israel. In weeks (time), the longest trip I've experienced was a three week vacation to Northern Europe.

If you currently work, what is your position and where do you work?

I am currently the Library Director at Whatcom Community College in Bellingham, Washington.

Volunteer opportunity: Communications chair for DBIO's social media accounts

Are you passionate about what you do, and want to share that enthusiasm with like-minded professionals? Do you like to be a person in the know, and who shares information with others? Would you like to expand your range of skills and add that experience to your resume, so you are ready for that next opportunity when it pops up? We are looking for a **Communications Chair** who will oversee DBIO announcements and communications via social media platforms such as Facebook and Twitter. This is a newly formed volunteer position which is critical to the success of the Division and provides exposure to professionals in the Biomedical and Life Sciences. Not only will you get to learn about different professionals in a variety of organizations, you will get to know these members personally, opening lots of doors for you and your career. We are not looking for perfection, just someone willing to write about DBIO activities and events on a fairly regular basis, and we are happy to provide feedback before you post. If you are interested, please contact DBIO chair Cindy Sheffield at cnd.sheffield@gmail.com for more information.

Science Under Scrutiny

Buzz Haughton

Recently I got my copy of *Science* in the mail and was intrigued by its cover theme: *Science Under Scrutiny: Metaresearchers study how research is done—and why it goes wrong*. It seems to me that we librarians specializing in the sciences need to understand the ethics of science publishing and how it sometimes goes wrong. Here are three articles in this issue of *Science* that elaborate on what has happened and what can happen in the field of peer-reviewed published research:

The truth squad

Stokstad, Erik
Science (New York, N.Y.), 21 September 2018, Vol.361(6408), pp.1189-1191
DOI: [10.1126/science.361.6408.1189](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.361.6408.1189)

Summary: In its drive to expose weaknesses in science, an up-and-coming research group doesn't mind stepping on some toes.

A recipe for rigor

Kupferschmidt, Kai
Science (New York, N.Y.), 21 September 2018, Vol.361(6408), pp.1192-1193
DOI: [10.1126/science.361.6408.1192](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.361.6408.1192)

Summary: A simple strategy to avoid bias—declaring in advance what you will study, and how—is rapidly catching on.

Toward a more scientific science

Azoulay, Pierre ; Graff-Zivin, Joshua ; Uzzi, Brian ; Wang, Dashun ; Williams, Heidi ; Evans, James A ; Jin, Ginger Zhe ; Lu, Susan Feng ; Jones, Benjamin F ; Börner, Katy ; Lakhani, Karim R ; Boudreau, Kevin J ; Guinan, Eva C
Science (New York, N.Y.), 21 September 2018, Vol.361(6408), pp.1194-1197
DOI: [10.1126/science.aav2484](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aav2484)

Summary: Climb atop shoulders and wait for funerals. That, suggested Newton and then Planck, is how science advances (more or less). We've come far since then, but many notions about how people and practices, policies, and resources influence the course of science are still more rooted in traditions and intuitions than in evidence. We can and must do better, lest we resign ourselves to "intuition-based policy" when making decisions and investments aimed at driving scientific progress. *Science* invited experts to highlight key aspects of the scientific enterprise that are steadily yielding to empirical investigation—and to explain how Newton and Planck got it right (and Einstein got it wrong)—Brad Wible

Internet Librarian 2018

Cindy Sheffield

I had the opportunity to attend the [Internet Librarian conference](#) in Monterey, California last week. It was a great opportunity to meet a variety of people not only from the west coast, but from all over the world! I attended several good programs applicable to my work. All of the keynote speakers were good, but I found Nina Simon and her story of [OFBYFOR ALL](#) especially inspiring. Ms. Simon is the Director of the Santa Cruz Museum of Art & History (MAH). She shared with conference goers her approach to revitalizing the Santa Cruz MAH by making the museum a community of, by and for everyone in the community. She described how she engaged members from every facet of the community to join in making decisions about exhibits within her museum. She advocates this model can apply to libraries as well. I found her description of the Lost Children especially touching. If you are interested in this model for your library I suggest reading her books. I also believe it could be used as a model for our division, so perhaps that could be one idea for the Strategic Plan as it moves forward. It was my first time to Monterey, but I don't think it will be my last.

I do believe the favorite fun fact I learned during my visit there was that they don't call their seagulls "seagulls" because they live on a bay. Therefore, they call them 'bay gulls'. (Get it? bagels). It was such a corny joke told by a local biologist I had to share!



Member News

Lori Bronars

Congratulations to DBIO members **Chris Belter, Ya Ling Lu** and **Candace Norton** for a highly successful [Bibliometrics & Research Symposium](#) at the National Institutes of Health this week, which was co-hosted with the Maryland Chapter of SLA.

Kudos to **Nancy Curtis**, who featured her poster entitled **Rebranding Bibliometric and Research Assessment Services as Traditional Reference and Outreach: Starting from the Ground Up** at the [Bibliometrics & Research Symposium](#).

Jill Konieczko, President-Elect of the Maryland Chapter, did an excellent job of ensuring everyone was well fed and hydrated at the same Bibliometrics & Research Symposium. Jill also introduced the sponsors of the event.

David Duggar was an author of several contributed papers at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association; see the bibliography at the conclusion of these announcements.

Buzz Haughton, editor of *Biofeedback*, taught a full-day **Cataloging for Non-Catalogers** workshop on September 7 at UC Davis, under the auspices of the Sierra Nevada Chapter of SLA. There were eleven signups; two identified themselves as medical librarians.

Duggar DC, Dobbins M, Esparza J, Tarver TA, Olmstadt W. *Call for Book Chapters? Hold My Beer*. Paper presented at: South Central Chapter-Medical Library Association Annual Meeting; 2018 October 23; San Antonio, TX.

Olmstadt W, Adams M, Dobbins M, **Duggar D**, Esparza J. *Staff development with a LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® workshop*. Paper presented at: South Central Chapter-Medical Library Association Annual Meeting; 2018 October 23; San Antonio, TX.

Esparza J, **Duggar D**, Dobbins M, Brackett A. *Mission Educate!* Paper presented at: South Central Chapter-Medical Library Association Annual Meeting; 2018 October 23; San Antonio, TX.

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