Section Three: News and Views
(of the Members of the ATLA Technical Services Section)

RICHARD LAMMERT NAMED NEW ATLA FUNNELS COORDINATOR

Richard Lammert was named the Funnels Coordinator to replace Judy Knop, who is retiring at the end of June 2016. Currently the program consists of two funnels: NACO and CONSER. Richard will coordinate the overall program, communicate with the Library of Congress and take the lead for the NACO funnel. Michael Bradford will be the lead for the CONSER funnel. Adding a SACO funnel as well as a series component to the NACO funnel under consideration. If those programs develop, leads will be named to coordinate participation.

NEW PARTICIPANTS ADDED TO THE NACO FUNNEL

Interest in participating in the NACO funnel continues to grow. Recently, one new participant was added to the nine new members added in October 2015. The total number of participants in the NACO program now stands at 36, with 22 participants currently active and one awaiting training. During FY2015 (Oct. 1, 2014–Sept. 30, 2015), ATLA funnel members created 449 new name authority records, changed 683 existing authority records, authenticated 284 serial records, and upgraded 195 existing serial records to CONSER full status.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Ontologies and Linked Data
Library Juice Academy
Focus on SKOS, OWL, MADs/METS/MODS, and the Open Linked Data movement. Strategies for creating taxonomies and ontologies will be discussed. Hands-on ontologies creation will be facilitated with open source tools.
June 6-July 1, 2016
http://libraryjuiceacademy.com/054-ontologies-linked.php
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ALCTS Virtual Preconference
Presentations include on workflows and automation tools to aid in metadata transformation, repurposing EAD or MARC, reconciliation through Open Refine, and clean-up of legacy data.
June 7-8, 2016
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The SPARQL Fundamentals I - the Semantic Web In Action
Library Juice Academy
Understand how semantic data is used, accessed, and disseminated on the web. Study how semantic systems are implemented. Learn how to write SPARQL queries against RDF triplestores.
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Managing Your Workload: How to Prioritize
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July 7, 2016
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