

**LaSSAL Conference 2006**  
**Baton Rouge**

**Louisiana Support Staff: Divers for Pearls of Knowledge**

**Thursday, September 21, 2006 Pre-Conferences (Frey Computing Center, LSU Campus)**

**NOTE:** Parking permits for visitors will be available at the Registration table on Thursday. There are some spaces reserved for visitors in back of the Frey Center. See the LSU website [www.lsu.edu](http://www.lsu.edu) for details. Click on "Visitors", then follow links to "Campus Map."

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Workshop I

Topic: ***"Snake Oil to Penicillin: Evaluating Consumer Health Information on the Internet"***

Speaker: Karen Vargas, NLM Southwest Region

12:00-1:30 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Workshop II

Topic: ***"Step, Step, Pivot Step: Building and Using Excel Pivot Tables to Analyze Data"***

Speaker: Kevin W. Merriam, McNeese State University

**Friday, September 22, 2006 Main Conference (Holiday Inn South, 9940 Airline Hwy)**

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00-9:15 a.m. Welcome

Speaker: Elissa Plank, LaSSAL Conference Chair

9:15-10:15 General Session

Topic: ***"Importance of Library Paraprofessionals"***

Speaker: Beth Vandersteen, Rapides Parish Library

10:30-11:15 a.m. Breakout Session I

Topic: ***"Scholarships/funding for paraprofessionals"***

Speaker: Beth Paskoff, LSU SLIS

10:30-11:30 a.m. Breakout Session II

Topic: ***"Helping Library Patrons Identify Appropriate Grant Opportunities"***

Speaker: Pamela Wall, Office of Community Development

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch (LLA president to speak)

1:15-2:15 p.m. Breakout Session III

Topic: ***"Does Your 'Devil' Wear Prada? : Managing and Supervising People"***

Speakers: Lynell Buckley and Tanya Arant, Louisiana Tech

1:15-2:15 p.m. Breakout Session IV

Topic: ***"Technology Serving the Future of America's Heritage"***

Speaker: Jeff Guin

2:30-3:30 p.m. Breakout Session V

Topic: ***"Cataloging Forum"***

Speaker: Vivian Solar, Ascension Parish Library

2:30-3:30 p.m. Breakout Session VI

Topic: ***"A Year in the Life of an Outreach Librarian at LSU"***

Speaker: Mitch Fontenot, LSU

3:30-4:00 p.m. LaSSAL Business Meeting