

Welcome to the October 2016 issue of *C&RL News*. As issues of diversity, inclusion, and social justice continue to dominate the news headlines this fall, academic libraries also continue their focus on these issues, as well. In this issue, Orolando Duffus discusses his efforts to bring multicultural campus groups together through the library at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro. His article “The library as an incubator for multicultural awareness and engagement” is a wonderful model for library diversity efforts.

Katherine O’Clair of Cal Poly State University writes about a personal experience advocating for social justice issues while working with students in a library instruction context in her “The Way I See It” essay “At the intersection of academic librarianship and social justice.”

In this issue’s ACRL TechConnect feature, Bohyun Kim discusses the role of libraries in advocating for online privacy in her article “Cybersecurity and digital surveillance versus usability and privacy.”

A focus on continuous improvement is an important part of making any library program successful.

At the University of Vermont, librarians introduced “The 360° Feedback Model for library instructors” to improve teaching. Daisy Benson and Daniel DeSanto discuss the program in this issue.

Katelyn Angell of Long Island University-Brooklyn improved her library instruction sessions through a clever pop culture exercise. She discusses her assignment in her fabulous article “America’s Next Top Citation.”

This month we begin our series of articles leading up to the ACRL 2017 conference, being held March 22-25, 2017, in Baltimore. Barbara G. Preece and Carrissa Tomlinson of the conference Local Arrangements Committee kick off the series with an introduction to our host city in “Baltimore—Charm City.”

Make sure to check out the rest of our features and departments, including a look at “Funding open access monographs” by Rupert Gatti and Marc Mierowsky of Open Book Publishers in the Scholarly Communication column and Internet Resources on “Paper ephemera” by E. Richard McKinstry.

Thanks as always for reading the *News!*

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