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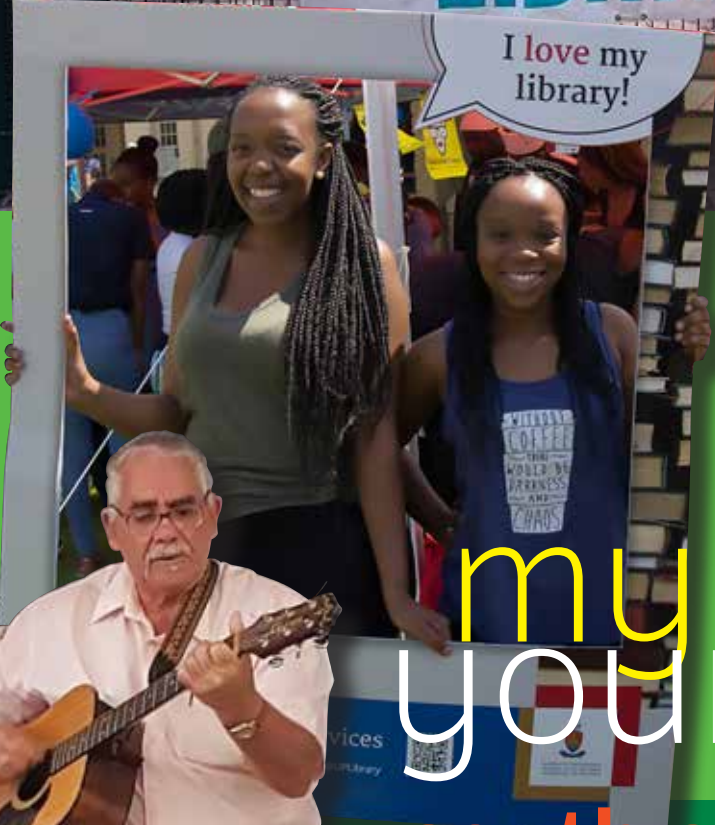
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The National Launch of SA Library Week 2017 held at the Sunrise View Primary and Secondary Schools, Bojanala, Retladirela, Rustenburg, North West Province, on 17 March 2017, was a huge success. Many dignitaries from government, education, and the LIS Sector at large attended the event. The Honourable Deputy Minister: Arts & Culture, Ms R Mabudafasi presented the keynote address. Other speakers included the LIASA President, Mr M Ntombela; PanSALB Chairperson, Dr RM Monareng; the Department of Education & Sport Development, MEC Mr S Lehari; and testimonials from learners and library users. LIASA would like to acknowledge the North West Province community for their participation in the programme, the Sunrise View Primary and Secondary Schools for the venue, the partners and sponsors for their loyal and

generous support, and the LIASA North West Branch Local Organising Committee. The various branches thereafter held their own SALW programmes.

Ms Lebogang Masalesa has been appointed as the LIASA Administrative Officer and commenced her duties with effect, 18 April 2017. She completed her BA Political Science degree in 2015 and her Post Graduate Diploma in Information Science at the University of Limpopo in 2016. Ms Masalesa grew up as an only child in Mokopane in Limpopo and attended Hebron Model School. She is an avid reader and enjoys playing sport. She has a 3-year-old daughter, Naledi. This position at LIASA is Ms Masalesa's first job, but she volunteered as Admin Assistant for the CEO at Voortrekker Hospital prior to her commencing at LIASA.

The call for papers for the 18th LIASA Annual Conference

2017 has been made. The theme for this years conference - "Re-envisioning the role of Library and Information Services", allows us to reflect on the current state of libraries and librarianship in South Africa and the future of the South African LIS sector. The LIASA Conference, therefore, gives you the opportunity to share your concerns, challenges, experiences, best practices and innovative solutions towards re-envisioning your organisation, your professional development and the LIS sector under the following sub-themes:

- Changing places
- Changing spaces
- Changing faces
- Changing technology
- Transformation

Look forward to seeing you at the Birchwood Hotel and OR Tambo Conference Centre, 2 - 6 October 2017.

Larshan Naicker
NATIONAL SECRETARY

A letter of gratitude to Nohra Moerat (previous editor of *LIASA-in-Touch*) from Mandla Ntombela, LIASA President

Dear Nohra

Thank you for your contribution as Editor of *LIASA-in-Touch*. Please allow me to express my sincere gratitude on behalf of the LIASA Executive Committee, the LIASA Representative Council, and the LIASA membership in general, for your contribution as Editor in the success of the *LIASA-in-Touch* magazine during the past five years. This is a huge task and we appreciate the time and effort that you have put into this!

It is quite a task to manage

the workflow of the magazine, giving deadlines, word counts and pay rates, setting budgets and working to make sure advertising materials arrive on time. On top of that, you also had to ensure that everything is on schedule and I am sure that was no easy feat. Somehow, you were able to make what seemed complicated into something we could all be excited about and get behind.

While we will miss the thoughtful, calm and

professional approach that you have brought to the position of Editor, we are thankful that we are still so fortunate to have your expertise, guidance and encouragement to rely on as you continue in your new role as Advertising Editor of LiT.

Thanks once again for your support and loyalty to LIASA and your willingness to serve in any capacity.

Yours sincerely,

9 MAY 2017



Dear Colleagues,
The 18th LIASA Annual Conference theme: "Re-envisioning the role of Library and Information Services", allows us to reflect on the current state of libraries and librarianship in South Africa and the future of the South African LIS sector.

A successful re-envisioning process is an active process of reflection on what is, and what can be; is inclusive; requires visionary leadership, strategic

thinking and planning, and a willingness to change. The outcome hereof is among others a paradigm shift, an engaged workforce in a dynamic profession and a supportive community.

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Kind regards.

Annamarie Goosen
LIASA MANAGER



Mr Mandla Ntombela

Colleagues, African Libraries and Librarians will never be the same again as IFLA and AFLIA exert more efforts to realize the United Nations (UN) 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (adopted by world leaders and which now requires implementation).

In the month of May all library associations in Africa met with IFLA President Elect, Ms Glòria Pérez-Salmerón, and the IFLA General Secretary, Mr Gerald Leitner, where they emphasized the following objectives:

- Raise the level of awareness of library workers at community, national and regional levels, on the SDGs, and promote the important role libraries can play in development and contribution to the UN 2030 Agenda and the SDGs;
- Increase the participation of library associations and public library representatives in advocacy work at national and regional levels to secure sustainable public access to information through library services and programmes.

South Africa's response to finding the balance between meeting both present and future needs is found in the

From the President

National Development Plan (NDP) 2030. Libraries, among other relevant stakeholders, have a critical role to play within the National Development Plan to achieve the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) over the next 15 years. The eradication of information illiteracy and building of a modern, efficient and equitable library and information system respectively were highlighted as important developmental actions by the LIS Transformation Charter.

LIASA May Seminars are focusing on the IFLA International Advocacy Programme (IAP) which was narrated in the previous edition and so Branches will conduct workshops and seminars. LIASA and the National Library of South Africa (NLSA) have committed to a partnership which plays a direct role in the development of an Advocacy Programme for South African library and information services professionals.

LIASA celebrated South African Library Week from 18-26 March 2017 with the theme "My Library, your library" and sub-themes: "My Library, My Home", "Mind your Library" and "Tell me about your Library". The National Launch was held at the Sunrise View Primary & Secondary Schools, Bojanala, Retladirela, 14133 Molapo Drive, Rustenburg, North West Province, on Friday 17th March. The Deputy Minister of Arts and Culture, Ms Rejoice Mabudafhasi delivered the Key Note address.

The theme "My Library, Your library" takes libraries into the heart of the community and encourages people to treat these

as their homes so that destroying libraries and burning books becomes unthinkable. It is a reminder to all library users that the library is a communal space that caters to specific needs whether these are educational, social, recreational or informative. In 2017, the Library Association celebrates its 20th anniversary and given its mission to assist with the development of South Africa through access to information, it is fitting that the South African public is invited to partner with LIASA to make 'My Library, Your Library'.

The association appreciates the support we always receive during SALW and therefore I would like to acknowledge all who contributed to the success of the week:

- The principals of Sunrise View Primary & Secondary Schools at Bojanala, North West
- Department of Arts and Culture, the National Library of South Africa, the North West Department of Cultural and Traditional Affairs, North West Department of Education and the City of Rustenburg, CiBLiS, CSX, Innovative Interfaces, Red Pepper Books, Sabinet, Tagtron and UKS for their sponsorship of the beautiful poster, which has become a sought after item
- Publishers and booksellers who contributed so generously to the identified schools. Whenever LIASA calls upon this sector, the response is overwhelming
- LIASA North West Branch, under the able leadership of Tebogo Morajane, for their enthusiasm, generosity and commitment to ensuring

the launch was a success

- LIASA members throughout the country who widely marketed SALW and ensures that their libraries hosted events in celebration of this week.

Congratulations to all, I believe we have again managed to send out a strong message to the public and stakeholders about the role of libraries in our communities and to the national development agenda.

The 2017 theme "Celebrating libraries in 20 years of democracy" for our year-long activities provides the LIS sector an opportunity to reflect not only on how the profession has grown over these two decades but also on how the various libraries and librarians are contributing to the strengthening of democracy in South Africa. Whilst we celebrate our successes, we still have a long way to entrenching libraries as an essential community and development partner in the greater social milieu of South Africa.

IFLA World Library and Information Congress, Wroclaw, Poland, 19-25 August 2017 (Congress website: <http://2017.ifla.org/>). Please let the LIASA National Office know if you will be attending IFLA.

I would like to invite you to attend the 18th LIASA Conference to be held from 2 - 6 October 2017 in the Birchwood Hotel and Conference Centre, Boksburg (Ekurhuleni). The programme promises to be exciting and relevant. Watch the website and LIASAOnline for updates. We look forward to hosting you.

SOUTH AFRICAN LIBRARY WEEK: 18-26 MARCH 2017 (SALW 2017)

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The National Launch was held at the Sunrise View Primary & Secondary Schools, Rustenburg, North West Province, on the 17th (Friday) of March 2017.

The 2017 theme "My Library, Your library" takes libraries into the heart of the community and strives to awaken a sense of ownership in each community member. The theme encourages



Deputy Minister of Arts and Culture, Ms Rejoice Mabudafhasi

people to take libraries to heart and to treat these as their homes so that destroying libraries and burning books become unthinkable.

See some snapshots of the launch throughout this issue.

Senovia Welman

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