

Member Update May 24, 2018



People News

We are pleased to announce that MLS' former Assistant Director, **Carolyn Noah**, was inducted into the Massachusetts Library Association's Hall of Fame at the Annual Conference in Framingham on May 22. *She is pictured below (far right) with friends and colleagues at the Conference.*



MLS also congratulates Nanci Milone-Hill from the M.G. Parker Memorial Library in Dracut and MLA Past President who was also inducted into the MLA Hall of Fame for her many accomplishments.

Nominating Committee Update

A call for volunteer/nominations will begin in May. Three vacant Executive Board positions will be filled in November's election. To balance the membership, we especially encourage special librarians and those in the northeast to volunteer. Member participation is key to our success, please consider volunteering. Staff in member libraries are invited to apply, please see [LINK](#) for more details. Response deadline July 6, 2018. Our online form includes three questions:

1. What experience or background qualifies you for Board membership?
2. What is your vision for the future of the Mass Library System?
3. If elected, I anticipate being able to attend Executive Board meetings in person as indicated below. 1-4, 5-8, 9 or more

Please direct any questions to Committee Chair, Henry Toromoreno (htoromoreno@haverhill-ps.org) or MLS staff liaisons, Greg Pronevitz (greg@masslibsystem.org) or Betsy Meaden (betsy@masslibsystem.org)

Institute of Database Engagement and Leadership News

With assistance from Celeste Bruno and Matthew Perry at MBLC, several participants in the IDEAL program have shared their ideas for databases promotion. Congratulations to the participants for their great work. You can view their work in [MBLC's AwareHouse](#). So far, you can find:

- [Gardening](#)
- [Recipes](#)
- [The Royal Wedding](#)
- [Sports](#)

We will continue to release updates on participants' work and the IDEAL program as time goes on.

Commonwealth eBook Collections

MLS is working hard to onboard nearly 300 libraries in OverDrive following the recent enrollment. We are excited about this next step in digital resource sharing and look forward to working with Boston Public Library and our network partners in the months to come on this exciting evolution of statewide collaboration on eBooks.