

## SHARE Report

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As the school year nears its end for 2016/2017, SHARE staff are working with the school libraries to stop holds, close out circulation, and get books and other items returned before the students leave for the summer.

RDA (Resource Description and Access) training continues, with plans for using this cataloging format beginning July 1, 2017. RDA replaces AACR2 (Anglo-American Cataloging Rules), which has been the cataloging standard for more than 40 years. Joan Bauer, SHARE Bibliographic Services Manager, and Edie Elliott, SHARE Bibliographic Services Supervisor, presented a training session on RDA at last month's IHLS Member Day, to inform member library staff about the impact of RDA on all staff and patrons—not just catalogers. Their presentation is posted on the SHARE website.

Ellen Popit and I continue to meet with directors of the small public libraries targeted as possible recipients of the Wal-Mart grant. During the past month, we have visited Cairo Public Library, Dodge Memorial Library, and Mounds Public Library. We are still working on scheduling meetings with West Union Public Library, Homer Community Library, Melvin Public Library, and Zeigler Public Library. To date, Jonesboro Public Library, Tilden Public Library, and Ramsey Public Library have committed to join SHARE, using Wal-Mart grant funds to pay for their implementation fees.

Improvements continue to be made on the SHARE website, with new video classes being added to the Training portion of the site as quickly as they are created by SHARE staff. At this point, these include The 10 Commandments of Circulation and Resource Sharing, Basic Circulation on Polaris, Recorded Circulation Forums, and Recorded Catalogers Training sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

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