



Mid-South Information: Bulletin of the Mid-South Chapter

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**Next Meeting:
Membership Meeting
March 27, 2008**

The SLA Midsouth Chapter's March meeting will be held in Arkansas where we will attend an 11:00 a.m. tour of Heifer International's Headquarters in Little Rock. Their Headquarters opened in 2006 and is built in a "green design" that "set a new standard in sustainable development." The tour will last approximately 30 minutes and should be quite exciting. For more information on Heifer International please go to www.heifer.org/. After the tour, members will have a Dutch-treat lunch at the River Market.



- What: Tour of Heifer International
- Where: 1 World Avenue, Little Rock
- When: Thursday, March 27, 2008 - Tour begins at 11 a.m.

Please R.S.V.P. to Donna Foster at donna.foster@spcorp.com. Carpooling is encouraged!

--Donna Foster, Schering Plough, Vice President/President Elect

River Market

Andina Café. Big on Tokyo. Boulevard Bread Co. Casa Manana. Coast Café/Hunka Pie. Layla's Pizzeria. Middle Eastern Cuisine. River Market Grocery. Scapetto's Italian Deli & Catering. Shaka Smoke Lodge. VK Brown Meat Market. These are among the merchants who offer market specialties year round at the Little Rock River Market providing breads, pastries, pies, and cakes; meats and poultry—smoked, barbecued, glazed, and deli cuts; fresh flowers; roasted gourmet coffees and specialty coffee drinks; ethnic cuisines—Mexican, Japanese, Middle Eastern, and Central European; and smoothies, gourmet chocolates, jellies, preserves, sauces, spices, and seasonings.



**--Kay Cunningham, University of Memphis,
Bulletin Editor**



Minutes of the Mid-South Chapter January, 2007

The Mid-South Chapter of SLA met on January 24 at 11:30 a.m. at the Grove Grill in Laurelwood Shopping Center in Memphis . Members in attendance were Octavia Ashby, Christina Barnes, Kay Cunningham, Maureen Fitzer, Donna Foster, Cheryl Lamb, Carol McCarley, Rosemary Nelms, Jan Smith, and Pam Walker.

Maureen called the meeting to order and welcomed our guests, Joyce McKibben and Clark Nall, both from the University of Memphis . Several members from the group shared their thoughts about the benefits of SLA membership, both at the national and local level.

The minutes were approved, and Rosemary reported that the Chapter has \$2,276 in the Treasury. As Membership Chair, Pam reported that we now have 27 members.

Donna and Jan agreed to serve as our representatives on the committee that is planning the Joint Meeting with MALC. As Vice-President of MALC, Cheryl will also help the committee.

Cheryl reported that Wendi Thomas, Commercial Appeal columnist, who had agreed to speak at the Joint Meeting on April 24, would now be unavailable on Thursdays from April 10 through the end of May. Cheryl will work with Wendi to come up with another date when she could speak. Cheryl also reported that MALC had agreed to budget \$1500 for the Joint Meeting. MALC would pay 2/3 of the cost and SLA 1/3. This amount would not be exceeded without the consent of both groups. The committee will discuss ways to contact all the librarians in Memphis to increase attendance for the meeting.

For the May charity meeting, Donna noted that the Hope and Healing Center could use books with healthy nutritious recipes. Another idea was to

help this group by contributing to their effort to publish their own recipes.

It was suggested that the March 27 meeting be held in Little Rock to allow some of our Arkansas members to join us. Rosie Dixon had mentioned the Heifer Project there as a possible site to visit in Little Rock .

In addition to the Joint Meeting, further meeting dates include May 22 (Charity Meeting), August (Board meeting TBA), Sept. 25, and Nov. 20 (early because of Thanksgiving).

Maureen thanked our guests for coming and adjourned the meeting.

--Respectfully submitted

Rosemary Nelms, Commercial Appeal, Secretary-Treasurer



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Head Library Technology Services, University of Tennessee Libraries

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Available: July 1, 2008

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Environment: The University of Tennessee is the state's flagship institution of higher education, offering comprehensive programs of undergraduate, graduate, and professional education; research; and public service throughout the state.

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11 a.m.

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Followed by lunch at the River Market**RSVP** by Tuesday, March 25 to

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Mid-South Chapter 2007-2008 Meeting Schedule*	
September 27	Fresh Slices Sidewalk Café Memphis, TN
November 15	University of Memphis
January 24	Membership Meeting The Grove Grill Memphis, TN
March 27	Arkansas Meeting Heifer International
April 24	Joint Meeting MALC/SLA
May 22	Charity Meeting
<i>*All Dates and Places subject to change.</i>	

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