

Letter from the President

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Dear InULA Members,

It's hard to believe that my tenure as InULA President is nearing its end. It has been a busy year, and I have had a chance to work with some dedicated, wonderful colleagues. That being said, I am pleased to pass the torch soon to Latrice Booker, Coordinator of Library Instruction at Indiana University Northwest. I know InULA will be in great hands!



- The Membership Committee Chair, Ria Lukes, recently reported our current membership is at 79.
- The annual book sale, which helps support our research grants and the Julieann V. Nilson Student Scholarship, was hugely successful. To quote from the Book Sale Chair, Naz Pantaloni: "We made \$3,289.50 this past weekend (\$2,969 on Saturday and \$320.50 on Sunday). In addition to the annual book sale, we have also earned \$1,467.79 through our collaboration with BookSprint during the past four quarters. Finally, if you add our net proceeds from InULA's Amazon.com account, which amount to \$2,746.54 -- minus some outstanding shipping charges that I haven't submitted for reimbursement yet -- the book sale has generated approximately \$7,503.83 for InULA this year ..." Special thanks goes to Naz, Bob Noel and Emily Okada. I'd also like to thank everyone who pitched in to help. We couldn't have done it without you.
- In other good news, Nick Homenda and Thomas Whittaker have agreed to co-chair next year's book sale! A big thank you to both of them. Naz has agreed to keep a watchful eye over InULA's Amazon.com account.
- The Grants and Scholarship Committee, chaired by Catherine Minter, recommended and the Board approved, two Julieann V. Nilson Student Scholarship recipients this year: Erika Jenns and Carrie Watson. Congratulations to both Erika and Carrie! The committee has also been active in granting, with the Board's approval, 12 InULA Research Incentive Fund applications.
- The Elections Committee has prepared a slate of great candidates to serve InULA including a Vice President/President-Elect, a Secretary, and two Members-at-large. Please look for the election and the C&B ballots about two weeks after the May Business Meeting.
- The InULA Business Meeting will be on **May 15th from 2:00-3:30**. You can join us in Bloomington in the Wells Library room E174 or on the phone bridge 225589 by dialing the auto attendant at 812-856-7060.
- Please send any agenda items to me for the May Business Meeting by Friday, May 9th.
- Finally, I want to thank all the Board members, committee chairs, and members for a truly rewarding and fruitful year. It's been an honor to be the InULA President, and I have enjoyed working with such a dedicated membership. We continue to want to hear your thoughts on InULA and other issues that are on your mind.

Best wishes,

Lori Dekydtspotter
InULA President, 2013-2014