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2002 Annual Conference
September 22-24, 2002

Pre-Conference
September 21, 2002
Eileen Dreyer, Award-winning, best-selling author Eileen Dreyer, known as Kathleen Korbel to her Silhouette readers, has published twenty-one books for Silhouette since 1986 and, under her own name, five suspense novels for HarperCollins. The year 2002 brings her to St. Martin’s Press.

Dreyer won her first publishing award in 1987, being named the best new Contemporary Romance Author by Romantic Times. Since then she has garnered not only four more Romantic Times awards, but five Rita Awards from the Romance Writers of America, which gained her place as only the fourth member in the RWA Hall of Fame. In 1997, she was also nominated for the prestigious Anthony Award for mysteries. With over three million books in print worldwide, she continues to make regular appearances on the Waldenbook and B. Dalton bestseller lists.

A native of St. Louis, where she still lives with her husband Rick and two children, she spent her formative years working in hospitals, including a sixteen year stint as trauma nurse. Holding a BS, she has also done post grad work in forensic nursing and death investigation. An addicted traveler, she has sung in some of the best Irish pubs in the world, and enjoys the kind of hands-on book research that lets her salve and insatiable curiosity. She counts film producers, police detectives and Olympic athletes as some of her sources and friends.

A frequent speaker at writer’s conferences all across the country, Dreyer is a member not only of Romance Writers of America, but Mystery Writers of America, Sisters in Crime, and, just in case things go wrong, Emergency Nurses Association and International Association of Forensic Nurses, of which she is the unofficial mascot.

Patrice McDermott, Assistant Director of the Office of Government Relations at the American Library Association Washington Office. She joined ALA in December 2001, after having served for 8 years as the senior information policy analyst for OMB Watch.

At ALA, Patrice has lend responsibility for information policy and e-government policy issues. She has testified in congres-sional hearings, and is a frequent speaker on public access issues. She also had a regular column on information policy for Federal Computer Week - until the dot bomb hit.

Patrice was awarded her doctorate from the University of Arizona in political science and received an M.L.S. in library and information management from Emory University. She served as the Assistant Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association from 1986-1988, taught information politics at Clark Atlanta University from 1988-1990, and, from 1990-1993, worked at the National Archives and Records Administration. At NARA, she worked on electronic public access to the exchange of information from the online information resources and services under development in NARA.
Craig O’Neill, Little Rock native and radio legend joined Today’s THV as sports director in 2000 after entertaining Arkansans for 30 years as one of the state’s most famous and humorous radio personalities.

According to Craig, "In August of 1999, I began to park at Today's THV's front door, demanding to be put on TV." Once he became sports director, his first assignment was to cover the Cotton Bowl game between the Arkansas Razorbacks and the Texas Longhorns where Arkansans were introduced to his unique brand of sports coverage.

Craig was named 1986 Young Arkansan of the Year, and in 1996 received a Community Service Award for his charitable activities. Craig also holds the distinction of being the only disc jockey to ever host a dance at the White House. Also, Craig was the honoree of Big Brothers / Big Sisters for 2000.

Throughout the years, Craig has given his time and talents to help many organizations including The American Cancer Society, Big Brothers / Big Sisters, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Arkansas Children's Theatre, Arkansas Arts Center, Arkansas Children's Hospital, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Ballet of Arkansas, Easter Seals, Florence Crittenton Home, American Heart Association, Hope Lodge, VIPS, and Multiple Sclerosis Society.

John Riggs, IV, is President of J.A. Riggs Tractor Company located in Little Rock, Arkansas. John is active in civic and community affairs in Arkansas and the greater Little Rock area. In January 1999, John began serving his first term as a State Senator representing District 16. He serves on the Education Committee as well as several other committees within the General Assembly. Prior to his election to the State Senate, John was elected to and served on the Little Rock School District Board of Education from 1992-1999.

In addition to his elected post, John has served on the boards of Volunteers in Public Schools, Pulaski County United Way, Arkansas Business and Education Alliance, and Philander Smith College. He is past member of the Greater Little Rock Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and former Chairman of Leadership Greater Little Rock.

Karen A. Farmer Wanamaker, Imagination and creativity are hallmarks of Karen's presentations and materials. She combines her enthusiasm and love of children into all her work.

Karen earned a BS degree in Elementary Education and Educational Media from Auburn University. Her master's degree in Storytelling and Reading from East Tennessee State University place her among a select few in the field of education.


Karen travels around the country teaching librarians how to present thematic units. Her sessions are always a big hit with children’s librarians.
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Palisades

Charles Beard, Director of Ingram Library at the State University of West Georgia
Charles was invited to share his expertise with Arkansas librarians last fall in presentations in each of the Library Development Districts. He will conduct the Pre-Conference workshop “Conducting a Winning Campaign for Your Library,” an in-depth look at coalition-building within your community and effective communication with those elected representatives who hold the purse-strings to your public library.

· Sponsor: Public Relations Committee

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Riverside West
Lunch

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Palisades, cont.

Charles Beard, director of Ingram Library at the State University of West Georgia in Carrollton, Ga., has been a lifelong library advocate, legislative activist and intellectual freedom champion. He was instrumental in reestablishing Georgia’s legislative lobby for libraries whose efforts succeeded in securing state funding for the largest public library building program in Georgia’s history, technology grants for every public library building and school library media center in the state, and Georgia’s prestigious state-wide library systems: GALILEO (Georgia Library Learning On Line) and GIL (GALILEO Interconnected Libraries), providing an array of bibliographic and full-text electronic research materials as well as enhanced access to resources throughout the state.

Beard has actively participated in the Georgia Library Association (GLA), the Southeastern Library Association (SELA), and the American Library Association (ALA), having served as president of GLA and SELA, and on the Executive Board of GLA and ALA. He has attended all but one of ALA’s Library Legislative Days in Washington, DC, and has presented numerous programs and workshops on advocacy/lobbying at ALA Annual and Midwinter Conferences and various state library conferences and legislative days. In June, 2000, he was enrolled in the National Advocacy Honor Roll, sponsored by ALA and the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates (ALTA), a division of ALA.
Sunday
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10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
DoubleTree Hotel - Pre Function Area
Registration

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Palisades
ArLA Board Meeting

1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Salon A/B
John A. Riggs, IV, Arkansas State Senator
Tips from an Arkansas Senator on how best for librarians to have an impact in the legislative arena. Included in this session he will share the issues which will affect our libraries in the coming year.
• Sponsor: Legislative Committee

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Robinson Center - Exhibit Hall
Grand Opening of Exhibit Hall

2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Robinson Center - Exhibit Hall
Exhibits Open

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Riverside East
New Members
Kaye Talley, Coordinator of Technical Services, UCA
Special time for new members and first time conference attendees to meet with Past President Kaye Talley. Opportunity to share tips on how to get the most out of conference and to become involved in ArLA.
• Sponsor: New Members Roundtable

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Salon A
Library Advocacy 101 for Trustees
Charles Beard, Library Director, University of Western Georgia
A look at the important role of Public Library Board members in garnering support for your local library.
(Trueste Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: Trustee Division

Salon B
Hard Drive Clean Up, Parts I & II
Rachel Shankles, LMS Hot Springs High School
Last year’s workshops on Hard Drive Clean Up were so well received that many wanted Rachel to repeat it. She has added Part II this year. Great handouts included.
• Sponsor: Conference Committee

Basket Auction
A-Tisket, A-Tasket, You Gotta Buy a Basket!
Yes, the Basket Auction will be going again.

Help raise funds for the Arkansas Libraries Political Action Committee.
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

**Riverside East**

**Taming the Assessment Tiger**

Virginia Perschbacher, Dean, Library and Distance Leader, Southeast Arkansas College, Debbie Kirby, Library Director, Pulaski Technical College, and Wendy Davis, Librarian, Pulaski Technical College

The panel will describe innovative ways of using assessment to further library goals. Specific areas to be explored: Resources, Instruction, Usage, and Overall quality of library. (Two Year College Roundtable Business Meeting to follow.)

• Sponsor: Two-Year College Roundtable

**Riverside West**

**What's Bugging You?**

Shelby Sanett, Imaging & Preservation Services Manager, Amigos Library Services

Discover how to prevent and control pests often found in libraries, archives and museums through an Integrated Pest Management program of monitoring.

• Sponsor: Amigos Library Services

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

**Board Room**

**Update Information on Sirsi/DRA Merger**

Information from Sirsi staff on the Sirsi/DRA merger and what it means to current users. Information on the combined Users Group meeting 2003 in Saint Louis.

• Sponsor: Arkansas Users Group of Sirsi/DRA and Arkansas State Library

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Salon D / Foyer**

**Awards/Trustee Banquet**

8:45 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

**Salon B**

**The Reel Librarian:**

**Library Employees in the Movies**

Sherryl Robinson and Karen Myers, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Lights! Camera! Action! Watch the STARS come out on the Silver Screen as Hollywood goes to the movies dressed as a REEL LIBRARIAN. Sex, Suspense, and SHHHH will keep you on the edge of your seat, crying and laughing, as all types of library staff are portrayed in this OVERDUE library flick. Put your hair up in a bun, grab a pencil and come dressed as your favorite movie librarian. The concession stand is open, so CHECK IT OUT!

• Sponsor: ALPS Division

**Q: What are you most likely to find in the Exhibit Hall?**

A) The latest in library technology?
B) A stunning variety of books and resources for children?
C) Outstanding reference resources?
D) A marvelous array of small press and other unique publications?

No need to phone a friend on this one. The answer is “all of the above” and more. You’ll find what you’re looking for in the Exhibit Hall. Not to mention the chance to rub shoulders with colleagues from around the state. Be sure to reserve plenty of time to visit the exhibits.
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7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
DoubleTree Hotel - Pre Function Area
Registration

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Robinson Center - Exhibit Hall
Breakfast with Exhibitors

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Riverside East
AAPL Meeting

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Exhibit Hall
Exhibits Open

9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
Palisades
Barnyard Books
Karen Wanamaker, Author
Every child from Singapore to Savannah knows the sound a cow makes and what the picture of a duck looks like. So gather a basket of barnyard books to kindle the interest of your children in stories and reading. (Children’s Services Roundtable Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: AASLME Division & Children’s Roundtable

Riverside East
Life After Passport
Ramona Madewell, Library Liaison Officer, Amigos Library Services
In December 2003, OCLC’s Passport software, which many of us use as our main cataloging interface, will be replaced with a new product. Support for Passport will end even earlier, December 2002. Meanwhile, a preliminary version of the new Web-based cataloging tool is being released in July 2002. Find out the latest news on what OCLC’s plans mean for your library in this presentation about life after Passport. (Resources & Technical Services Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: Resources & Technical Services

9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

Riverside West
Government Information after September 11
Patrice McDermott, Assistant Director of the Office of Government Relations, American Library Association, Washington
How do we weigh the risks of everyone knowing about vulnerabilities and hazards with the risks of the public not knowing the vulnerabilities and hazards to which they are unwittingly exposed? How do we weigh the needs of science and free discussion with the needs to protect the public? Dr. McDermott will discuss how the federal government, and some in the non-profit community, have gone about this process, the steps taken recently by the Bush Administration, what the next steps are likely to be, and how the library and public access community thinks this process should proceed. (GODORT Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: GODORT

9:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
Salon A
Uncle Sam vs. Libraries: CIPA & Patriotic Legislation
Rick Peltz, Associate Professor, UALR Law
The post 9/11 legislative environment has impacted libraries in many ways. Join a member of the faculty at the UALR School of Law for an examination of how a future version of the CIPA (struck down by the courts, but not forgotten) and Patriotic Legislation might affect your library's operations whether it be materials selection, patron Internet use, or access to patron database records.
• Sponsor: Conference Committee

Salon B
Design Tips for Non Designers
Jann Greenland, Graphic Designer, Greenland Creative
Wouldn’t it be nice if you could send every flyer, every newsletter, every poster you needed to a design professional for the full treatment? The reality of library budgets dictates otherwise, but that’s no excuse for lackluster design. Brush up on basic design techniques that can help your printed materials look good and communicate better. (Public Relations Committee Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: Public Relations Committee
9:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

Salon C
Panel Discussion: Providing Library Service to Arkansas’ Growing Hispanic Community

A panel discussion moderated by Kim Patterson, Director, Southeast Arkansas Regional Library. Panelists include: Michael Liedermann, Editor of El Latino, a Spanish-language publication in Little Rock; Ana Hart, Multicultural Community Relations Manager, Tyson, Springdale; and Vernell Bowen, Superintendent of Catholic Schools of Arkansas.

• Sponsor: Conference Committee

10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Palisades
Diamond Award

Cora Ellsworth, Perma-Bound Representative

An overview of Arkansas Diamond Award books for the 2002-2003 school year. Participants will be provided free overview documents and related materials on library books.

• Sponsor: Children’s Services Roundtable

Riverside East
PDA’s

Don Benton, Technology Coordinator, Hot Springs School District and Chris Mahoney, Director of Technology, Lake Hamilton School District

This session will cover the basic advantages and disadvantages of using PDA’s in your library and school. We will cover cost, limitations and best practices for the use of these types of devices.

• Sponsor: AASLME Division

10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

Riverside West
Emerging Issues: Electronic Reference, Importance of Subject Description in Electronic Resources, and Virtual Periodicals Room and E. Journal Subscriptions

Kuli Salisbury, Librarian, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Stephen Chism, Associate Librarian, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville and Mary White, OCLC Coordinator, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Faculty and students input to aid decisions toward a virtual periodicals room and e-journals subscription: case study at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. (Reference Services Division Business Meeting to follow.)

• Sponsor: Reference Services Division

10:50 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Pre Function Area
Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Riverside West
Bibliographic Instruction for Students with Disabilities

Karen Russ, Documents/Ref. Librarian, UALR

Tips on how to improve your instruction sessions so disabled patrons can benefit more from the presentation, including simple and free modifications that make major differences. Content has been taken from literature as well as interviews with disabled students at UALR.

• Sponsor: Arkansas Library Association and Project PACE - UALR

Riverside East
Traveler Project: Got Databases?

Sally Hawkes, Coordinator of Library Network Services, Arkansas State Library

Review of the current news about the Traveler on line databases and registration instructions.

• Sponsor: AASLME Division

Palisades
Charlie May Simon Award

Cora Ellsworth, Perma-Bound Representative

A brief overview of the Charlie May Simon book selections for the 2002-2003 school year. Participants will be provided free overview documents and related materials on library books.

• Sponsor: Children’s Services Roundtable
Salon A
Library Advocacy
To be Determined. (Public Library Division Business Meeting to follow)
• Sponsor: Public Library Division

Salon B
Are You Experienced?
Jeanine Akers, Reference Librarian, Dean B. Ellis Library, ASU
We will compare and contrast two and four-year college libraries’ involvement in first year experience programs. Speakers will discuss their success stories as well as their concerns. Lively discussion to follow. (Two Year Colleges Roundtable Business Meeting to follow.)
• Sponsor: Two Year Colleges Roundtable and College and University Division

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Salon D / Foyer
Lunch
Craig O’Neal, Today’s THV Sports Director
Craig will review every book written in the English language since 1801.
• Sponsor: Conference Committee

Visit the Public Relations Booth
• New Free Items: 2003 Calendar Posters, Postcards, and Pencils
• New Item for Sale: Library “word” Magnet
• Clearance and Favorites: 2001 T-shirts and Post-It Note® Cubes
• A PowerPoint Presentation of Arkansas Libraries
• And visit our friends at AdAmerica for more items. (The PR Committee receives 6% of sales for future PR projects.)
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.
Salon A
Presenting Your Library Using Microsoft PowerPoint

John F. Lohmann, Instructor, Education America

Today, libraries are working very hard to stay on the cutting edge of technology. Microsoft PowerPoint is an excellent tool for creating informative presentations using up-to-date technology with the added benefit of making your presentations entertaining. There are many facets of the library that can exploit a tool as powerful as PowerPoint. For example, presentations at board meetings, grant proposals, public awareness or for organizations associated with your library. Regardless of what the reason, a picture is worth a thousand words and Power Point will help you present your ideas in pictures as well as words. Learn the techniques for preparing Power Point presentations for your library! (ALPS Business Meeting to follow.)

• Sponsor: ALPS Division

Salon B
Grassroots Advocacy @ your library™

Rosi Smith, Government Relations Director, Arkansas Children’s Hospital

By organizing your library supporters you will have a network of third-party advocates in place to promote your library’s services, get community support for local millage or sales tax campaigns, and respond quickly to adverse news affecting libraries. Learn how to organize a top-notch grassroots organization @ your library.

• Sponsor: Public Relations Committee

Salon C
Arkansas Center for the Book

Jane Thompson, Coordinator, Arkansas Center for the Book

Arkansas Center for the Book Coordinator Jane Thompson will discuss the purpose and programs of the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., and the link between the various state centers. The programs of the Center for the Book at the national level as well as the local level will be discussed. Program information will be of particular use to public and school librarians.

• Sponsor: Conference Committee
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions, cont.

Salon B

One Stop Searching - The Arkansas Union Online Catalog

Debbie Bailey, Catalog Librarian, ASU

A union catalog for Arkansas libraries may be closer than you think. Using the simultaneous search capabilities of the Z39.50 protocol it is now possible to create customized union catalogs for your city, region, state, and/or type of library. (Information Technology Roundtable Business Meeting to follow.)

• Sponsor: Information Technology Roundtable
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Salon D / Foyer
"Breakfast with Your AMIGOS"

Begin your day the civilized way, with a hot cup of coffee - if you’re so inclined - and a bountiful buffet of breakfast favorites. Kathy Sanders, Amigos Board of Trustees member and Director of the Ottenheimer Library, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, will open our brief program with a welcome and outline of Amigos Trustee activities. Bonnie Juergens, Amigos Executive Director, will follow with an exciting overview of the latest and greatest at Amigos. Jeff Downing, Amigos A-Plus Services/BioOne Manager, will close with an informative update of current Amigos and OCLC programs and services.

• Sponsor: Amigos Library Services

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Salon D / Foyer
ArLA Business Meeting

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Riverside East
Computer Optical Media: Presenting the Object, Preserving the Data
Bill Walker, Imaging Field Services Officer, Amigos Library Services

Libraries and other users of computer technology are increasingly dependent on a diversity of optical storage options for libraries. This presentation will cover: types of optical media (CD-ROM, CD-R, CD-RW, DVD ROM, DVD RAM, DVD-RW, DVD+RW); which media have standardized and which do not have standards; how long they last; how to choose the best media for your uses and considerations for data migration.

• Sponsor: Amigos Library Services

Hate Sites on the Internet and How to Recognize Them
Sylvia Chudy, LMS, Arkansas School for Math and Science

An overview of sites that spread propaganda and hate on the Internet. Also, sites such as www.tolerance.org will be discussed which were set up as an aid for educators and parents to help in recognizing and evaluating hate sites.

• Sponsor: Conference Committee

Salon A
Librarians Discover Early Arkansas Historical Treasure!
Lynn Foster, Associate Dean for External Relations and Professor of Law, UALR

Last fall, a collection of historical importance was discovered by the UALR/William H. Brown Law School Library among nearly 400 boxes of old court papers originally donated by the Arkansas Supreme Court. The oldest of the collection documents dates to 1809, ten years before the formation of the Arkansas Territory, and includes court records from more than 200 territorial cases during the period from 1809-1836. The collection, which provides a glimpse into territorial Arkansas life and court procedures, “has caused stir among the state’s history and law scholars.” Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. October 26, 2001 at B-1. Dean Foster has since obtained grant monies to be used to preserve these documents and to digitize a portion of the collection for access via the Internet. (Special Libraries Division Business Meeting to follow.)

• Sponsor: Special Libraries Division

Salon B
Library Ethics
Kathy Sanders, Director, Ottenheimer Library, UALR

Back by popular demand, Kathy Sanders and her acting troupe will be exploring various ethical dilemmas faced by today’s libraries. Each issue will be followed by a discussion with session.

• Sponsor: Conference Committee

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Salon D / Foyer
Lunch
Eileen Dreyer, Author
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
CALS, Darraugh Center
Arkansas Innovative Users Group Meeting
Susan D. Goldner

This is the second meeting of the newly formed Arkansas Innovative Users Group. Anyone who works in a library with an Innovative Interfaces, Inc. system (or library that is about to get one) is welcome to attend. Among other things, we will break into interest groups (e.g., cataloging, system administration, circulation) for discussions and for future program planning.

What is the best time to visit the Exhibit Hall?

A) Any time between 2:30 p.m and 5:30 p.m. on Sunday or between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Monday.
B) During daily “no conflict” times 2:30 p.m. on Sunday and 8:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. on Monday

Even the weakest link knows that the answer is once again “all of the above”. There is plenty to see, so schedule plenty of time to see it.
Arkansas Repertory Theatre
601 Main St.
Little Rock, AR 72201
501-378-0405

Proof
By David Auburn
September 6-22, 2002

Penned by Little Rock’s own David Auburn, this powerful play won both the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the 2001 Tony Award for Best Play. Proof is the story of Catherine, an enigmatic young woman, her manipulative sister, their brilliant father and an unexpected suitor. Together they become entangled in a complex equation of love, trust and truth when they discover a mysterious mathematical proof among papers in the attic.

Robinson Center
Arkansas Symphony Orchestra
2417 N Tyler St.
Little Rock, AR 72207
501-666-1761

Doc Severinsen
Saturday, September 21, 2002 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 22, 2002 - 3:00 pm

The legendary trumpeter, Doc Severinsen makes his first appearance in an ASO Masterworks concert, performing Hummel’s Trumpet Concerto. Start the season with one of America’s most impressive musicians playing one of the classical era’s most virtuosic pieces. The most celebrated orchestral work of Rachmaninoff, his symphony No.2 explodes with an emotional intensity and passion, slowly evolving into a reflective mood of beauty before the resounding conclusion.

Arkansas Arts Center Children’s Theatre
9th & Commerce, MacArthur Park
Little Rock, AR
501-372-4000 or 800-264-2787
www.arkarts.com

The Story Of Babar the Little Elephant
September 6-22, 2002

With grace and style, everyone’s favorite little elephant steps from the page to the stage in this warm, happy adaptation of Jean de Brunhoff’s charming stories. Conceived and designed to take full advantage of de Brunhoff’s bold lines, vivid colors, and warm charm, The Story of Babar the Little Elephant invites its audience to share Babar’s journey from jungle orphan to love-struck Parisian gentleman to King of all the Elephants.

Murry’s Dinner Playhouse
6323 Asher Ave.
Little Rock, AR
501-562-3131

Swingtime Canteen
September 10 - October 13, 2002

It’s 1944 and MGM movie legend Marian Ames and her gal pals head out to entertain the troops. The show is a rip-roaring canteen extravaganza featuring over 30 classic songs that are bound to bring back sweet memories.

More things to check out:
- Riverfront Downtown (Walking Tour)
- Museum of Discovery
- Historic Arkansas Museum
- Little Rock Zoo
- MacArthur Park Historic District (Walking Tour)
- Arkansas Arts Center