Announcement: New Name and Scope for Library of Congress Approved Lists Newsfeed

To improve communication with the cataloging community, the Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division (PTCP) is modifying one of its existing e-mail newsfeeds. The “Library of Congress Subject Headings Approved Lists” newsfeed is now called the Library of Congress Vocabularies Announcements newsfeed. Current subscribers to the newsfeed do not need to resubscribe to receive messages. If you are not currently subscribed, you can subscribe here.

The scope of the newsfeed will include the LC vocabularies managed by PTCP, including:
- Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)
- Library of Congress Classification (LCC)
- Library of Congress Demographic Group Terms (LCDGT)
- Library of Congress Genre/Form Terms for Library and Archival Materials (LCGFT)
- Library of Congress Medium of Performance Thesaurus for Music (LCMPT)

For individuals who have received direct communication about Summaries of Decisions from PTCP, you must subscribe to this newsfeed to continue receiving these announcements. Direct emails will no longer be sent.

PTCP encourages more community members to subscribe since the newsfeed’s scope will cover a range of topics beyond the LCSH Monthly Approved List. Topics will include:
- General vocabulary-related announcements from PTCP
- Tentative and approved lists for LCSH, LCC*, LCDGT, LCGFT, and LCMPT
- Summaries of decisions for LCSH, LCC, LCGFT, and LCMPT
- Updates to the cataloging manuals for LCSH, LCC, LCDGT, LCGFT, and LCMPT
- Updates for PTCP vocabulary projects

To aid subscribers, PTCP will be implementing standard subject line conventions for the major communication categories. These categories will appear in the subject line in the following forms:
- [tentative list]
- [approved list]
- [summary of decisions]
- [announcement]

Feedback and suggestions for this newsfeed are welcome and can be sent to policy@loc.gov.

*Currently, the LCC approved lists are sent out via a subscription newsfeed called the “Library of Congress Classification Approved Lists.” From now on the LCC approved lists will be sent via the Library of Congress Vocabularies Announcements newsfeed. Individuals who only subscribe to the newsfeed “Library of Congress Classification Approved Lists,” should subscribe to the Library of Congress Vocabularies Announcements newsfeed to continue receiving alerts about new LCC approved lists.