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LFI Week 14
Three Month Check-In

What has had the most impact?

LFI has enabled me to deep dive into research and have a better intellectual foundation on privacy issues as opposed to just parroting tech tips. I have increased my verbal capital and can better articulate why privacy matters. I have learned new concepts that help me frame issues in more relatable ways. I have learned a few tricks to make my classes more engaging. Also, our cohort is inspiring and rad.

What new programs or services are you working on?

Since starting LFI, I was able initiate some immediate actions to protect patron privacy: encrypting at rest data and deleting unnecessary logs. I have number of upcoming programs. I will be giving a lightning talk about data mining/third party tracking at Tenn-Share—a resource sharing conference that happens annually at my library. I plan to expand this lightning talk to full program for our state library association conference. In November, I will provide the privacy portion of the curriculum at the Public Library Management Institute. This is a workshop hosted by the Tennessee State Library and Archives for library directors that have not attended an ALA-accredited library school. In February, myself and Megan Adovasio-Jones, a librarian from Nashville Public Library, will host a privacy workshop for librarians in the Falling Water River Regional Library district. This is an in-service day for librarians from fourteen different counties. Previously, myself and Heather Lanier of the Brentwood Public Library cherrypicked the ALA Privacy Checklists and created a top ten list of privacy advice with accompanying funny memes which we released David Letterman-style top ten list on our state library listserv. Ultimately, we wanted to turn these memes into a poster. Tragically, Heather passed away earlier this year. I would like to honor her memory by finishing the poster.

What do you want to focus on for your final assignment?

As I am doing a lot of programs already, I would like to focus on something technical; namely, hosting a Tor relay at my library. This would fulfill one of my stated LFI goals.