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CARLI Contact: Margaret Chambers,
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CARLI is pleased to announce that Amanda Helm, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library; and Kaitlyn Mae Weger, Olney Central College, Illinois Eastern Community Colleges, have each received the CARLI 2023–2024 Academic Year Scholarship that helps support the education of the dedicated staff of CARLI member libraries. The scholarship is funded by donors who have generously supported this important program, helping CARLI to grow the profession.

“I am so thrilled to be a recipient of the CARLI scholarship this year. I am really enjoying my time at the iSchool and am so excited that I can continue this journey with the help of the CARLI scholarship,” Weger said. “I love the work I’m doing and the people I get to work with in academia and look forward to many more years in this profession. Thank you, CARLI Scholarship Committee!”

The recipients were selected based on their responses to a personal essay question regarding their professional goals and objectives in pursuing a library career that demonstrates a commitment to the profession and the strength of their references.

Helm added, "I am honored to have been selected to receive one of the two CARLI scholarships this year! I'd like to thank my colleagues at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library for encouraging me to apply and I look forward to attending UIUC this fall!"

The CARLI Scholarship provides financial assistance to current employees of CARLI Governing Member Libraries pursuing graduate studies leading to a Master’s Degree in Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The scholarship is funded by donations. To make a contribution, visit the CARLI website at <https://www.carli.illinois.edu/give>.

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