Special Focus: Service at SILS

It comes in many forms, but helping others is very important to many members of the SILS community. Turn inside for just a few examples of what students, faculty and alumni are doing to give something back to their school and their communities. Pages 10-12.



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University Approves New Major

Bachelor's Degree Gets Final Go-Ahead

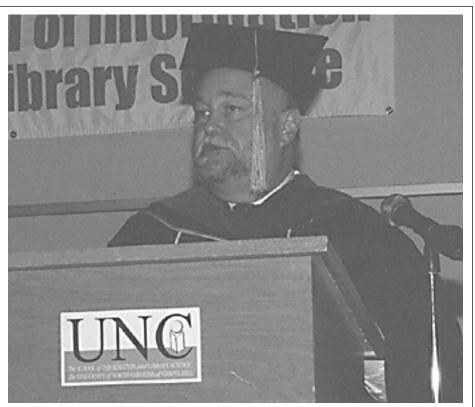
Undergraduates at UNC-Chapel Hill will soon be able to obtain a bachelor's degree in the cuttingedge, rapidly evolving field of information science. The UNC system's Board of Governors recently gave final approval to the new major, which will be offered by SILS beginning this fall.

The new major builds on the success of the school's highly popular undergraduate minor in information systems, introduced in 1997. Like the minor, it integrates the study of the creation and management of information content, the characteristics and needs of the people who create and use information, and the technologies used to support the creation and manipulation of information.

The bachelor's of science in information science (BSIS) degree will consist of 10 courses (30 credit hours). Students will take a set of core courses, plus electives in such areas as information technology, management of information resources and information design.

UNC-Chapel Hill will be the only university in the state offering such a degree and one of only a handful of schools doing so nationwide.

"The new major in information science builds on the extraordinary popularity of our undergraduate minor," said SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall. "The full degree will provide opportunities for undergraduates at Chapel Hill to get the background they need to move into key positions in the information sector in Research Triangle Park and around the globe." \Box



Dr. Robert Martin (SILS Ph.D., 1988), director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, was the keynote speaker at the school's May 19 commencement ceremony.

Commencement Excercises **Conclude Yearlong Celebration**

On a brisk Sunday afternoon in Chapel Hill, 70 years after it honored its first group of graduates, the School of Information and Library Science honored its newest class with a ceremony, reception and a keynote address by one of its own.

The May 19 ceremony in Carroll Hall featured a presentation by Dr. Robert Martin, director of the Washington, D.C.-based Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). Martin,



a 1988 doctoral graduate of the school, addressed libraries as educational centers that must "assert aggressive and responsive leadership to match the speed of technology with their will to make a difference."

Libraries and museums, Martin said, are more important today than ever before,

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A Letter from the Dean

Balancing Teaching, Research and Service

This has been an exciting 70th anniversary year marked by wonderful celebrations, the final approval of our new undergraduate major in information science, new dual degrees with other professional schools at UNC and innovative international initiatives. We have welcomed new faculty and staff and look forward to welcoming more new faculty in the coming academic year.

In spite of these achievements, the last academic year has not come without its challenges. September 11 and its aftermath continue to be with us. The difficult budgetary situation of the state of North Carolina has also

resulted in significant cuts, the full impact of which is still unknown.

In challenging times, it is important to preserve the basics as well as to continue to change and grow in innovative and cost-effective ways. As we complete our 70th year, it is a fitting time to reflect on the basic functions of the university and our school.

Over the years, SILS has developed very high quality graduate programs at the master's level, first in library science and then in information science. Despite pressures to reduce the length and depth of the degrees in response to competition, SILS has remained a full two-year, 48-credit-hour master's program. As such, we continue to attract students who are highly committed to the field and who go on to become leaders in the profession. The doctoral program has continued to grow in response to the demand for teachers and researchers in the field.

As the nation's first public university, UNC Chapel Hill is committed to excellence in undergraduate education. In 1997, SILS introduced a very popular undergraduate minor in information systems and the school is about to launch a full undergraduate program.

While budget restrictions will limit the initial size of this new program, we believe that it will fill an important need at the university for technology-oriented programs at the undergraduate level and that the graduates will be a positive contribution to the growing high-tech workforce in the state. The resources garnered for this new degree are expected to benefit all of the programs at SILS as the range of expertise among our faculty expands.

While education was the founding purpose of the university, research continues to grow in importance. In the eyes of the public, research is probably the least understood aspect of the university endeavor, perhaps because the word "research" tends to conjure up complex concepts or mathematical formulas that are impossible for most

people to visualize. The application of basic research may also be difficult to see in any immediate sense and the results of research may seem slow in coming.

A quick glance at the "What's Happening" sections of this newsletter and the school's website at *www.ils.unc.edu* provides many examples of the growing research contributions of SILS faculty and students. Much of this ongoing research is funded by grants from foundations and various government agencies, which, in turn, provide financial support for faculty, students and infrastructure for the school.

In an earlier newsletter, I indicated that 32 percent of the university's income now comes from contracts and grants and only 24 percent from the state. It is important for the SILS community to actively seek grant funds and to use them to support both education and the creation of new knowledge in the field of information and library science. As a top-ranked school, SILS has a particular obligation in the research domain

This issue of the newsletter does a great job of highlighting service, the third aspect of the school's mission. As "the

university of the people" Chapel Hill continues a ten-generation-long tradition of service to the citizens of the state. As a professional school, much of the research that goes on at SILS is usable by practicing library and information professionals and hence a form of service. Faculty are in demand as speakers at conferences and our continuing education program continues to grow its on-site, distance and international offerings.

See pages 10-13 for just a few examples of the great amount of volunteer work conducted by members of the SILS community. My own volunteer activity as a yoga teacher in the UNC employee health program provides me with balance and energy for my role in the school. [We'd love to hear about other examples of service work. Send newsletter editor (and SILS Director of Communications) David MacDonald an e-mail at *macdonald@ils.unc.edu* and fill him in on the details.]

We strive to find a balance between teaching, research and service at SILS and, while some faculty and students emphasize one area more than another at various times, the ultimate result is a rich set of activities that contribute in various ways to the vitality of the school. The university's mission statement refers to the integration of these functions when it calls for faculty who are "actively involved in research, scholarship and creative work, whose teaching is transformed by discovery and whose service is informed by current knowledge." This ideal continues to guide us at SILS. \square



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At left, BOV member Duncan Smith joins Dean Marshall and student association president Julie Harris for a cakecutting. UNC Provost Robert Shelton (above) welcomed attendees, who had the chance to view artwork (at right) by the late Budd Gambee.



Spring Events Celebrate School's First 70 Years

UNC-Chapel Hill's School of Information and Library Science (SILS) welcomed UNC Provost Robert Shelton, members of its board of visitors and other special guests for a two-day celebration of the school's 70th anniversary.

Shelton was the keynote speaker at a special reception held on April 18 at the Carolina Club. Guests included SILS students, faculty (past and present), alumni, special guests and members of the Board of Visitors. A special showing of artwork by Budd Gambee, a former SILS professor, and a pictoral look back at SILS' first seven decades, were presented.

On Friday morning, April 19, the Board of Visitors conducted its annual business meeting at the Carolina Club.

That afternoon, the entire SILS commu-

nity was invited to a special cake-cutting ceremony in the lobby of Manning Hall, home to the school since 1970. The first slice was cut by SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall; Duncan Smith, BOV member and 1999 recipient of the school's Distinguished Alumni Award; and master's student Julie Harris, president of the Information and Library Science Student Association (ILSSA).

Sponsors of the anniversary celebration included EBSCO Information Services (gold level) and Libraries Unlimited (silver level). Bronze level sponsors included Gale Company, *Library Journal*, NoveList/EBSCO Publishing, ProQuest, TDNet Inc. and West Group. Supporters included David Goble and the SILS Alumni Association. □



SILS Associate Professor Helen Tibbo was the lunchtime speaker at the Board of Visitors meeting.

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Elfreda Chatman, a beloved professor during and after her days at SILS, died in January.

FSU's Chatman Taught at SILS For 13 Years

Former SILS Professor **Dr. Elfreda Chatman**, internationally known for her research on the subject of human information-seeking behavior, died on Jan. 15, 2002. She was 59.

A professor at Florida State University's School of Information Studies since leaving Chapel Hill in 1998, Chatman's teaching

SILS Alumni Book Fund Renamed To Honor Chatman see page 17

and research focused on cultural studies of communication, ethnographic studies of information use, information theory and social studies of information.

Chatman, who joined the SILS faculty in 1983, earned her Ph.D. from the University of California-Berkeley. Her dissertation, "The Diffusion of Information: A Study of the Working Poor," earned the American Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Best Dissertation Award in 1984.

In 1992, Greenwood Press published her first book titled *The Information World of Retired Women*. Her monograph, *The Information World of Retired Women*, won the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) best book award for 1995.

Chatman's latest book, *Notes from the Field: A Personal Journey,* was scheduled for completion this spring. □

Sturm Latest to Garner School's Top Teaching Award

Dr. Brian Sturm, an assistant professor at SILS, has been named the school's Outstanding Teacher of the Year for 2001-2002.

Sturm, a member of the SILS faculty since 1998, is the sixth professor at the school to win the annual award, funded by interest from the school's Bicentennial Teaching Award Endowment established in 1995. The award is based on nominations and class evaluations from students, and submissions from faculty members outlining their teaching philosophies. A \$2,500 cash award accompanies the honor.

Dr. David Carr, last year's winner, presented the honor to Sturm at the school's annual spring commencement ceremony May 19. Carr discussed Sturm's teaching philosophy and read excerpts from students who nominated Sturm for the award.

Nominations described Sturm as a teacher who "does not allow (students) to settle for an easy answer" and who is "always pushing (students) to think in new ways."

After earning his bachelor's degree from the College of William and Mary, Sturm received his master's and doctorate in library science from Indiana University. Sturm's areas of research interest include storytelling and folklore, children and technology, children's and young adults' literature, and bibliotherapy.

In late 2001, Sturm received \$20,000 from the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center to support his research into the effects of storytelling on MRI-related stress. Sturm also received the 2002 Storytelling World Award for The Storyteller's Sourcebook, 1983-1999: A



Associate Professor Dr. David Carr (left) presented the 2001-02 Outstanding Teaching Award to Dr. Brian Sturm at SILS' spring commencement ceremony in Carroll Hall.

Motif, Title, Subject and Geographic/Ethnic Index to Folklore Collections for Children, a book he co-authored with Margaret Read MacDonald.

Previous winners of the Outstanding Teaching Award at SILS are Dr. Stephanie Haas (1997), Dr. Jerry Saye (1998), Dr. Evelyn Daniel (1999), Dr. Barbara Wildemuth (2000) and Carr (2001).

Association Honors Dean Marshall

SILS Dean **Joanne Gard Marshall** has been named a fellow of the Medical Library Association (MLA).

The honor, recognizing outstanding contributions and commitment to health sciences information, was announced at the MLA's recent annual conference in Dallas. Marshall was unable to attend the meeting because of her responsibilities in England as advisor for the school's two-week study abroad program at Oxford University's Bodleian Library.

Marshall, dean of SILS since January 1999, came to UNC-Chapel Hill from the University of Toronto, where she served as a professor in the Faculty of Information Studies. She also served as an adjunct faculty member in the university's Department of Health Administration, its Contra



Joanne Gard Marshall

member in the university's Department of Health Administration, its Centre for Health Promotion and its Institute for Human Development, Life-Course and Aging. Marshall has garnered international acclaim for her research in the areas of the value and impact of libraries, and consumer health information services. \Box

What's Happening with Faculty, Staff

Associate Professor **Dr. David Carr** presented a workshop on collection development at the University of Memphis on May 6, and a speech about men as readers for the assembled librarians of Long Island on May 8. This summer he plans to work with Greensboro and Winston-Salem librarians on cultural and readers advisory issues. In the fall, he has talks planned for Michigan and Rhode Island.

Associate Professor **Dr. Claudia Gollop** served on a panel discussing "Consumer Health Initiatives" at the spring meeting of ANCHASL (Association of North Carolina Health And Sciences Librarians) in April. The theme of the conference was "The People's Library: Prescription for Consumer Health Information."

The Journal of Digital Information (JoDI) published a special issue on "Metadata: Selected Papers from the Dublin Core 2001 Conference" in January 2002 (Vol. 2, No. 2). The issue included a paper by Assistant Professor **Dr. Jane Greenberg**, doctoral student Christina Pattuelli, Bijan Parsia and NIEHS Library Director Dav Robertson (SILS MSLS '75) titled "Author-Generated Dublin Core Metadata for Web Resources: A Baseline Study in an Organization." The paper can be viewed on the web at http://jodi.ecs.soton.ac.uk/Articles/v02/i02/Greenberg/.

Assistant Professor **Dr. Jane Greenberg**, on-leave faculty member **Dr. Bert Dempsey**, ibiblio.org Director **Paul Jones** and Ph.D. student Debra Weiss have coauthored "Who Is an Open Source Software Developer?" which appears in Vol. 45, No. 2
(February 2002) of *Communications of the ACM*, a publication of the Association for Computing.

Associate Professor **Dr. Stephanie Haas**, with doctoral student Debbie Travers, and Anna Waller and Judith Tintinalli of Emergency Medicine, has produced a poster titled "ICD-9 Clusters for Emergency Medicine" for the seventh annual Emergency Medicine Research Forum, hosted by the UNC-Chapel Hill Department of Emergency Medicine in April.

Recognized as "Best Overall Poster" at the forum, the poster was also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine in St. Louis in May. Its abstract was published in *Academic Emergency Medicine* (Vol. 9, No. 5, p. 508).

Saye Receives National Award for Teaching

SILS Professor **Dr. Jerry Saye** has received the top teaching award presented by the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE). The association's 2002 Award for Excellence in Teaching was formally presented to Saye at ALISE's annual conference in New Orleans.

Among other criteria, the annual award recognizes excellence in teaching methodology, student and faculty mentoring, and curriculum design. For Saye, the honor comes on the heels of two other teaching awards — SILS' Outstanding Teacher Award in 1998 and UNC's Distinguished Teaching Award for Post-Baccalaureate Instruction in 1999.



Jerry Saye

"I am honored and delighted to have been selected for this prestigious award," Saye said. "To have been singled out from among the more than 700 full-time faculty who teach in library and information science is truly rewarding."

Added SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall, "Jerry has won the full range of teaching awards at our school, at our university and now on a national level. It gives me great pleasure to see his work honored in this way."

Saye is the second SILS faculty member to receive the teaching award since it was first presented a decade ago. Associate Professor Dr. David Carr received the honor in 1994.

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Haas also attended the Digital Government conference in Los Angeles in May. With **Dr. Gary Marchionini** and Michael Levy (from the Bureau of Labor Statistics) she will have a paper in the conference proceedings. The paper is titled "Co-Evolution of Research and Practice: The BLS and FedStats Case."

Haas was also acknowledged in an article in UNC's *Endeavors* research magazine for her work with the White House 2001 project.

Postdoctoral research fellow **Noriko Hara** began work as visiting assistant professor of information science at Indiana University's School of Library and Information Science in January. SILS has welcomed **Jenny Fry** as the new post-doctoral fellow for the NSF Science and Technology Center Project (with Dr. Diane Sonnenwald).

Fry recently completed her doctorate at the University of Brighton, England. Her dissertation examined differences in collaboration across different disciplines (high energy physics, socio-cultural geography, corpus-based linguistics).

Assistant Professor **Dr. Brad Hemminger** and other faculty at UNC have put together a training program in computational biology and bioinformatics. They have received funding, beginning the fall of 2002, to support up to seven students a year at UNC, for

studies within the program. Funding is for firstor second-year doctoral students only, to pursue further education/training within program auspices.

An article by Distinguished Research Professor **Dr. Fred Kilgour** appeared in the December 2001 (Vol. 52, No. 14) edition of *JASIST*. Its title: "Known-Item Online Searches Employed by Scholars Using Surname plus First, or Last, or First and Last Title Words."

Professor **Dr. Robert Losee** won the John Wiley & Sons Best *JASIST* Paper award for his article "When Information Retrieval Measures Agree About the Relative Quality of Document Rankings," which appeared in the journal's July 2000 edition (Vol. 51, No. 9).

In November, Boshamer Professor **Dr. Gary Marchionini** gave the ISI Lazerow
Lecture at Indiana University, where he argued that information science needs grand challenges and proposed that integration in service of design is such a challenge.

Marchionini has also received a distinguished lectureship award from the New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Information Science and Technology (NJ/ASIST). He presented "Dynamic Interfaces and Digital

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Libraries: The Open Video Project" April 4 at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J.

Dean **Dr. Joanne Gard Marshall** presented a workshop on benchmarking at a meeting of the Health Sciences Librarians of Illinois. Her plenary presentation to the entire conference focused on measuring value and impact of health library and information services. Marshall also led a session at a TRLN conference on reasons to measure the quality of library services.

The November 1, 2001, issue of *Library Journal* featured a cover story by Professor and Dean Emeritus **Dr. Barbara Moran**. The article was titled "Practitioners vs. LIS Educators: Time to Reconnect."

Professor **Dr. Jerry Saye** has received a Fulbright scholarship and will be on leave during the Spring 2003 semester to teach and conduct research in the Department of Library and Information Science, Faculty of Arts at the University of Ljubljana in Slovenia. He'll be able to work with his former doctoral advisee Dr. Alenka Sauperl (Ph.D. '99), an assistant professor in the department.

During a two-week stay in Slovenia in October, Saye spent a number of days at the university and also toured the new library facilities of the Miran Jarc Knjinica (Public Library) in Novo Mesto, Slovenia.



A Fond Farewell... Administrative Manager Gerry Compton (right) shares a laugh with her bushand Oscar at a retirement party held in her honor in December. Compton stepped down after 23 years of service to the school.



Birthday Wishes... Dean Joanne Gard Marshall congratulates Distinguished Research Professor Fredrick Kilgour at a January reception beld in bonor of the OCLC founder's 88th birthday.

Also during his fall stay in Slovenia, Saye and Sauperl presented their paper "When 'Surfing' the Web Isn't Good Enough: Providing Access to Electronic Resources." at the Annual Conference of the Union of Associations of Slovene Librarians in Radenci, Slovenia. The theme of the conference was digital libraries. Their paper was published in the conference proceedings.

Saye has also had the following published:

- "The Organization of Electronic Resources in the Library and Information Science Curriculum," *OCLC Systems &* Services. 17 (2001): 71-78.
- "A Tribute to Arlene Taylor" with Toni Carbo, Susan Hayes, Daniel N. Joudrey, Richard Smiraglia, Sherry Vellucci and Hong Xu. The article appeared in *Cataloging & Classification Quarterly*, Vol. 32 (2001).

Professors **Dr. Jerry Saye** and **Dr. Evelyn Daniel** have co-edited the 2001 issue of the *Library and Information Science Education Statistical Report* published by ALISE. They also co-authored the "Highlights" chapter. Saye also wrote (with the assistance of doctoral student Kathy Wisser) the "Students" chapter of the report, available on the web at *http://www.ils.unc.edu/ALISE/*.

SILS Associate Dean and Associate Professor **Dr. Paul Solomon's** chapter titled "Discovering Information in Context" appeared in the 2002 edition (Vol. 36) of *Annual Review* of *Information Science and Technology* (ARIST), a publication of ASIST. Associate Professor **Dr. Diane Sonnenwald** and doctoral student Kelly
Maglaughlin co-authored a paper titled "User
Perspectives on Relevance Criteria: A Comparison Among Relevant, Partially Relevant and
Non-Relevant Judgments," which was accepted
by *JASIST* and appeared in its March 2002 edition
(Vol. 53, No. 5).

Sonnenwald also:

- Gave an invited keynote address at the Second International Conference on Information Literacy and Lifelong Learning held in Tiachung, Taiwan in October.
- Gave an invited talk at the National Library of Taiwan in October. The title of the talk was "CoRE: Collaboration Research and Education."
- Received a fourth year of funding, with Mary Whitton, from NIH for their nanoManipulator Scientific Collaboratory research project. The funding for the fourth year is approximately \$440,000.
- Was awarded \$139,000 by NSF for a project titled "Supporting Scientific Collaboration Across Distances Using Technology."
- Had her paper, "Using Innovation Theory to Guide the Evaluation of Collaboration Technology: Work in Progress" appear in the proceedings of the IEEE 10th International Conference on Enabling Web Technologies for Collaborative Enterprises. Co-authors included Kelly Maglaughlin and Mary Whitton, and
- Has been appointed an adjunct associate professor in the Computer Science Department at UNC.

During her Fulbright stay in Finland this spring, Sonnenwald has given talks at Nokia R&D Labs, the University of Oulu, Abo Academy and the University of Tampere.

Assistant Professor **Dr. Brian Sturm** was among grant recipients honored with a reception/dinner by the Lineberger Cancer Center at the Carolina Inn with the UNC Board of Visitors. Sturm explained his "Storytelling as an Anxiety Reducer for MRI Patients" study that the cancer center funded at \$20,000.

Sturm also helped A.V. Baucom Elementary School in Apex celebrate its "Celebration of Reading Day" with three different storytelling sessions, presented a full-day workshop for staff at the Rowan Public Library concerning reference and readers' advisory services for children. He also took part in a user evaluation of the Tales Online project in Charlotte in February.

In March, Sturm performed some

storytelling for SCALA, the Student Chapter of the American Library Association at UNC. In April, he coordinated the 2002 Susan Steinfirst Lecture (see related article) and was the featured storyteller at the Vance County (N.C.) Storytelling Festival. He also served as keynote speaker at UNC's IT Awards ceremony.

- Dr. Helen Tibbo, associate professor and McColl term professor, has undertaken, or will soon be involved with the following:
- She has been appointed to the Center for Teaching and Learning's (CTL) Advisory Committee for 2002-2005.
- She will serve as principal investigator for three years on a records management project funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.
- In February, she attended the IMLS/ CLIR meeting in Washington, D.C., to begin to craft the agenda for IMLS grant guidelines in response to President George Bush's \$10 million initiative to recruit a new generation of librarians.
- In March, she presented "Primarily History: Historians and the Search for Primary Source Materials: The American Scene" at the annual meeting of the American Association for History and Computing in Nashville, Tenn.

Also in March, she organized, hosted and taught at the Digitization for Cultural Heritage Professionals (DCHP) conference held at Manning Hall.

■ In April, she attended the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) workshop titled "The State of Digital Preservation: An International Perspective" which focused on international developments in digital preservation.

Also in April, she presented "The User in the Digital Archives" at the Digital Epigraphy Workshop in Chapel Hill.

- In May, she presented "Loving Our Users as Our Materials" at the Midwestern Archives Conference in Minneapolis.
- She published, with Elizabeth Dow, David Chestnut, William Underwood, Mary-Jo Kline and Charlene Bickford, "The Burlington Agenda Research Issues in Intellectual Access to Electronically Published Historical Documents." American Archivist, Vol. 64, No. 2 (Fall/Winter, 2001).
- She received a grant from the North Carolina State Library to produce an administrative/preservation metadata template for the NC ECHO collaborative.
 - She submitted "Learning to Love Our

Jackson is New Development Director

In November, the school welcomed **Shawn Jackson** as its new director of development. Jackson, who graduated from the University of South Carolina at Columbia in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in international studies, comes to SILS from the Charlotte-based Foundation For The Carolinas, where she most recently served as associate vice president of development and donor services.

An active member of the Young Democrats of North Carolina, Jackson was honored as the organization's most outstanding member for 2001. She also serves on the board of the North Carolina State Government Internship Council, which matches college interns with state government projects.



Shawn Jackson

Adams Wins Campus-Wide IT Award

In April, Director of Information Technology **Scott Adams** was presented a campus-wide Information Technology (IT) Award. The award was announced at the IT annual Awards Luncheon at the Carolina Club where Scott was supported by a noisy table of supporters from SILS.

The university's IT awards were first presented in the spring of 1992 to publicly encourage and acknowledge information technology support efforts on campus.

Adams is a 1998 MSLS graduate of SILS. He received his bachelor's degree at Erskine College (S.C.) and his master's of divinity degree at Union Theological Seminary (Va.).



Scott Adams

Users: An Imperative in the Digital Age" to Archival Issues in May 2002.

Professor **Dr. Barbara Wildemuth** has been awarded an Outstanding Alumna Award from her undergraduate alma mater, North Central College in Naperville, Ill. The award is granted by the school's Alumni Board of Directors to alumni who graduated more that 15 years ago and who have achieved success in their career, service to their community and service to North Central College.

Former Faculty

Former SILS faculty member Dr. Peter Neenan is director of Labor Market Information (LMI) for the Employment Security Commission in Raleigh. One of his top priorities in this role is to engage LMI more directly in collaborative research with university based researchers. LMI oversees the collection, distribution, analysis and marketing of federal, state and local employment and occupationalrelated data.

Administrative Faculty

SILS Director of Communications David MacDonald was recognized at the June 11

kickoff of the university's 14th annual Red Cross Blood Drive for his submission of a logo for the drive. The theme and logo, unveiled at the kickoff event, is a composite of ideas submitted by MacDonald and two other university employees. This year's blood drive is scheduled for July 23 at the Dean Smith Center.

Staff

Student Services and External Affairs Assistant **Ashley Bondurant** has left SILS to relocate to Arizona. Her last day at the school was May 29.

Angela Heinisch has joined the SILS staff as the new administrative assistant to Dean Joanne Gard Marshall. Formerly the administration manager for the marketing firm ResearchWorks, she received her bachelor's degree in business management from San Diego State University in 2001.

Former Administrative Assistant to the Dean **Susan Thomas** is the school's new administrative manager, succeeding Gerry Compton, who retired after 23 years at SILS. Susan brings over seven years of experience at SILS and over 13 years of experience at the university to her new position. \Box

OCLC Funding Boosts Research On Metadata

Dr. Jane Greenberg, an assistant professor at UNC-Chapel Hill's School of Information and Library Science (SILS), has received a \$10,000 grant for her research on metadata.

The Online Computing Library Center (OCLC), with assistance from the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), awarded funding for Greenberg's proposal "Optimizing Metadata Creation: A Model for Integrating Human and Automatic Processes."

Commonly defined as "data about data," metadata facilitates the organization and access of information resources. It is of special significance to scientific organizations which are turning with increased frequency to the World Wide Web for disseminating and accessing information.

Greenberg said the OCLC grant allows her to continue her research examining scientists creating metadata at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) in Research Triangle Park. An earlier phase of her research, "Metadata Generation for Web Resources," was funded in July 2000 by Microsoft Corporation.

"I'm very excited to receive this grant because it allows me to examine another facet of metadata generation," Greenberg said. "I am also pleased to be able to continue working with the NIEHS metadata team headed by [NIEHS Library Director] Dav Robertson, NIEHS library staff and several SILS student interns."

The OCLC grant will allow Greenberg to examine the quality of data created by NIEHS scientists, professional catalogers and automatic processes. The goal of the research, she said, is to develop a model to facilitate the most efficient means of metadata production by integrating human and automatic processes.

Founded in 1967 by university presidents to share library resources and reduce library costs, OCLC introduced an online shared cataloging system for libraries in 1971 that today is used by libraries around the world. The mission of ALISE is to promote excellence in research, teaching and service for library and information science education. The NIEHS is one of 25 institutes and centers of the National Institutes of Health. □



A group of bappy graduates gathers together at the Alumni Association's post-ceremony reception.

Commencement

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especially in the wake of the September 11 terrorist attacks on America. "More than any other social agency," he said, "libraries embody the very values and ideals that bring us into conflict with our enemies.

"Unfettered access to ideas and information, active pursuit of pluralism, support of the First Amendment rights of a free press and religious freedom," Martin said, "these are the things that make us Americans and define us as a nation and as a people. And they are the very things that libraries and museums embody."

Martin, a distinguished library professional and scholar, was confirmed as IMLS chief last July. A native of Houston, Martin has served as director of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, and has held top university library posts in Louisiana and Texas. He was a 1997 recipient SILS' Distinguished Alumni Award.

The school's newest class of graduates numbered 42, and all but four were present to receive their diplomas at this year's ceremony. Fifteen students received their master's of science in information science degree and 27 students were presented library science master's degrees. A complete list of graduates, at the school's December and May commencement ceremonies, can be found on page 16.

Awards presented at the ceremony included the school's Outstanding Teaching Award, presented to **Dr. Brian Sturm**, and the Alumni Association's Distinguished

Alumni Award, presented to **Dr. Joan C. Durrance** (MSLS '64), professor and coordinator of the Library and Information Science Program at the University of Michigan School of Information.

Sambhavi Cheemalapati received this year's Outstanding Service to the School Award, presented each year to a graduating SILS student, and several other students were recognized with "faculty applause" for their contributions to the school. They included

Leslie Sult, Aisha Harvey, Lesley Whedbee, Jill Katte, Cara Bonnett and Linwood Webster.

The two winners of the Dean's
Achievement Award for best master's paper in
2001 were announced — **Laura Agnew** and **Andrew Smith**, Agnew for her paper on
"Characteristics and Benefits of Online
Support Groups" and Smith for "Reader's
Advisory Service: Adoption and Implementation of an Innovation in Select Public
Libraries."

SILS Associate Professor and honor society advisor Dr. Claudia Gollop recognized the school's newest slate of Beta Phi Mu nominees and award recipients. 2001 graduates Pete Caggia, Brian Hilligoss, Susan Sharpe and Andrew Smith were recognized as Achievement Award winners while current students Anne Bauers and Smyth Lai were introduced as Scholarship Award recipients.

A reception for graduates and their families, sponsored by the SILS Alumni Association, was held following the conclusion of the ceremony on the lawn in front of Manning Hall.

EPA Library Moves Into State-of-the-Art Facility



The library is centrally located in the EPA's new 1.2 million-square-foot RTP complex.

After many years of planning, the EPA Library finally moved to its new Research Triangle Park facility in March. Located at 109 Alexander Drive across the lake from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the library is now housed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's newest research complex.

At a cost of \$273 million, the EPA facility boasts state-of-the-art features such as the longest stretch of solar-powered roadway in America and, as a "green building," is 40 percent more energy efficient than buildings of standard design.

The new EPA-RTP complex includes a main building comprising about 1.2 million square feet with 400 laboratories, 2,500 offices, conference facilities, classrooms, an auditorium, the library and a food court. The beautiful, light-filled library is located in the

main administrative tower adjacent to the main entrance to the complex and was strategically placed in a central location to be a gathering place for scientists and staff to meet and exchange ideas.

The official dedication of the building was held on May 29. EPA Administrator Christie Whitman hailed the new complex as "a model for others like it around the globe." Also attending and speaking at the dedication were Congressmen Bob Etheridge and David Price.

The EPA-RTP Library, staffed through a contract with SILS, serves the information needs of more than 2,000 EPA staff and contractors. The UNC-EPA contract, now in its 27th year, provides an internship program that gives SILS master's students the opportunity to gain professional level experience in a special research library setting.

Seminars Send Students to Oxford, Prague

This spring, students and professionals from across the nation journeyed to Europe to study libraries and librarianship in two nations rich in history, culture and tradition.

In late May, SILS sponsored its 10th annual trek to Oxford, England and the Bodleian Library for "Libraries and Librarianship: Past, Present and Future." In late June, SILS introduced its first-ever trip to the Czech Republic capitol of Prague.

Dean Joanne Gard Marshall served as the academic advisor on the Oxford seminar, with former dean and current SILS professor Barbara Moran coordinating the Prague program.

SILS' partners in England are Oxford University's Department for Continuing Education and the world renowned Bodleian Library. In Prague, SILS works with Charles University and its Institute for Information Studies and Librarianship.

Both seminars last two weeks and both are available for academic credit. Both trips feature lectures, tours and trips to some of the oldest and most unique libraries and learning centers in the world. For more information, visit www.ils.unc.edu and select "Continuing Education." \Box



Virtual Reference ... SILS and the UNC Health Sciences Library teamed up in February to host a special teleconference of the Medical Library Association (MLA) titled "Sync or Swim: Managing the Flood of PDAs in Health Care." The teleconference, coordinated at UNC by SILS Associate Professor Claudia Gollop, examined the use of personal digital assistants by health care professionals and the librarians who serve them.

During and After Days at SILS, Ser

Minority Recruitment at SILS Meant a Lot to Master's Student

By Robert Albright

Increasing minority representation at SILS was a strong ambition of **Linwood Webster** during his years at the school.

In addition to working full-time at UNC and studying to attain his masters of science in information science (MSIS) degree (which he did in May), Webster also represented SILS at graduate and professional school fairs across the Southeast. He fielded questions from minority undergraduate students who might not otherwise consider a graduate degree in information and library science.

Webster, who worked as a project coordinator for UNC's Academic Technology and Networks (ATN), said encouraging minorities to attend graduate school is valuable for the students — and for SILS.

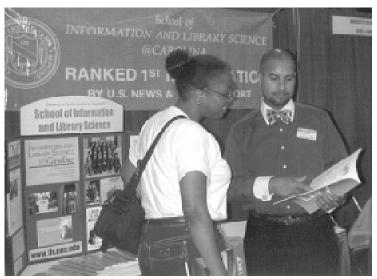
"I enjoyed putting a positive exposure of SILS out there," Webster said. "Going to these career fairs lets undergraduate students know that the field is wide open if they take the initiative."

A native of Clinton, N.C., Webster received his undergraduate degree in English and journalism from North Carolina Central University (NCCU) in 1991. Following graduation from NCCU, Webster decided his niche was in information technology and programming. His early work experience included network manager positions with Duke University and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

After working in the Triangle for several years, Webster began pursuing his MSIS degree in 1999. Once at SILS, Webster struck up a conversation with SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall about minority recruitment at the school. After discussing the issue further, Marshall and Webster decided if it would be beneficial to send a SILS representative to minority fairs across the region. Webster said he gladly accepted the responsibility of helping boost minority representation at SILS.

"I wanted to let minority undergraduates know that there is an opportunity for them in information and library science," Webster said.

Webster said his employers at ATN were very understanding when he went on the road to career fairs across Virginia and the Carolinas. Webster traveled to graduate and professional school fairs at NCCU, North Carolina A&T State University, Johnson C. Smith University and Hampton University in Virginia.



As a master's student, Linwood Webster (right) traveled to career fairs throughout the Southeast, providing minority students with information about SILS.

At the undergraduate minority fairs, Webster brought the SILS banner, brochures and other key pieces of admissions information. When students approached him, Webster said he energetically answered any questions they had about the field of information and library science. He also covered SILS admissions requirements, including the importance of good grades, GRE scores and a well-polished application.

Webster said inquiring undergraduates were attracted to the school's topranked status and the possibility of working with information and library systems.

"Conversation at the fairs was always positive," he said. "Going to these career fairs is a type of public service because it puts a face on (SILS) and reveals it to the broader community."

Webster's recently completed master's paper focused on, appropriately enough, minority recruitment. After studying this topic in detail, Webster said he has gained insight into minorities' access to technology and education. He said minority representation should continue to be an integral part of SILS.

"The admission of minority applications is really important to me," Webster said. "I hope it would continue to increase in the future." \Box

For SILS Faculty Member, Work with Gateway was GEM of an Idea

By Robert Albright

SILS has joined a widespread initiative to provide educators with quick and easy access to thousands of Internet educational resources.

Since September 2000, SILS has been a member of the Gateway to Educational Materials (GEM), a consortium providing "one-stop, any-stop" access to the collection of Internet-based educational materials available on various federal, state, university, non-profit and commercial web sites.

The partnership with SILS was initiated when GEM Coordinator Nancy A. Morgan contacted SILS Assistant Professor Jane Greenberg because of her expertise in the area of metadata. Morgan invited SILS students, under Greenberg's supervision, to work

with the GEM cataloging toolset, GEMcat, and contribute to the Gateway's repository, which now contains over 14,000 metadata records.

GEM is an internationally known project sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, and a special project of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Clearinghouse on Information & Technology at Syracuse University.

Greenberg said the project provided a unique opportunity for SILS students to learn about metadata (Internet cataloging), while contributing to a National Library of Education.

"I was thrilled when Nancy Morgan contacted me because she invited SILS students to learn, firsthand, about metadata while participating in a project [GEM] that is advancing this country's educational information infrastructure," Greenberg said.

Three SILS students — Jennifer Bulger, Holley Long and Susan Dennis — have participated in the GEM project thus far by contributing over a thousand records each. Bulger, an MSIS degree candidate who has been with the project the longest, said she learned about GEM while taking Greenberg's metadata class.

"I am serving the public by providing access to important educational materials," Bulger said. "Working with GEM has allowed me to explore a non-traditional type of cataloging using a national set

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vice is Important Focus for Many

Alumnus Brings Library Talents To Minnesota Bike-Lending Effort

By Robert Albright

By day, **Andrew Koebrick** (MSLS '96) works for Minnesota's Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning as web coordinator and librarian.

But Koebrick's commitment to public service does not end there. After leaving the state-run planning office each day, Koebrick devotes his energy to a colorful task — connecting people and places in the community with a fleet of bright yellow bicycles.

Koebrick is president of the board of directors of the Yellow Bikes program, a non-profit organization dedicated to transforming recycled bicycles into an environmentally friendly transportation alternative for residents and businesses of the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.

"The Yellow Bikes program does anything it can to make life easier for our friends riding on two wheels," Koebrick said.

When started five years ago, the Yellow Bikes program first operated under pure altruism, or honest borrowing. But the system had its flaws because some people would steal or vandalize the bikes.

Yellow Bikes' founders decided to recruit Koebrick, who had a strong background in library systems, to solve the problem. Koebrick implemented selling "borrow cards" which allow the public to check out bicycles from a variety of businesses, or "hubs." After paying a \$10 membership fee, Twin Cities residents easily check out bicycles and ride them around.

"There's a real mix of people who use the bikes," he said. "Both tourists and locals check the bikes out."

Although the Yellow Bikes program had a full-time director in the early stages of its growth, Koebrick said he has worked to shift the organization from a staff-and grant-based group to one that relies heavily on volunteers and membership fees.

Koebrick said the revamped "grassroots" approach has led to increased donations and a strong core of volunteers — both of which have helped Yellow Bikes become one of the top bicycle-lending programs in the country.

Amid the organization's growing success, Koebrick has assumed a number of responsibilities such as financial supervisor, bike mechanic and creator and maintainer of the web site (*www.yellowbikes.org*).

Koebrick said a small handful of people have criticized the program as "flaky" and "absurd," but he said the majority of responses have been positive.

"Among our members, the program has been universally appreciated," Koebrick said. "Our users care about the service we provide."

Although maintaining the bicycle circulation system is one of his top



SILS Alumnus Andrew Koebrick says he may ride one of his yellow bikes all the way to the Minnesota Secretary of State's Office.

priorities, Koebrick said he has other public service pursuits as well. He plans to run for Minnesota secretary of state in the 2002 election. Koebrick, who will seek the Green Party's endorsement, said his goal is to attract at least 5 percent of the vote

"I'm setting up a core committee," he said. "Our governor (Jesse Ventura) won several years back as an Independent Party candidate, so hopefully I can get that party to endorse me, too."

Koebrick said one goal leading up to the election is to visit county seats all over Minnesota. And how might he get to all these places?

"I plan to go by bicycle," he said. \Box

GEM of an Idea

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Long, another MSIS student about to graduate, said the GEM experience has provided her with knowledge about Internet cataloging that is transferable to other fields, including medical resources, with which she now works.

Students participating in GEM catalog in their

areas of subject expertise that they gained from previous work experience and from their undergraduate degrees. Efforts are also made by GEM leaders to have SILS students catalog web resources created by people in North Carolina, or covering aspects of North Carolina history and education as a service to the state. In fall 2002, Greenberg said she will be looking for two more students to help with GEM.

The GEM repository is publicly accessible via the web (*www.thegateway.org*), and students,

teachers, parents and administrators can search and find thousands of high quality educational materials, covering many different subjects, as well as lesson plans, activities, and documentation on educational standards. Additional info on GEM can be found at www.geminfo.org.

As a member of this national consortium, SILS also has access to the GEM repository for research on metadata creation, interface design, information retrieval, and other topics of interest to the field of library and information science.

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Service at, and Beyond SILS, Comes in Many Forms

The following are just some of the many examples of service work conducted by members of the SILS community.

Faculty/Staff

Assistant Professor **Greg Newby** works with Project Gutenberg (*www.gutenberg.net*), one of the oldest allelectronic suppliers of content on the Internet. As Gutenberg's "second in command," he handles issues such as copyright, public relations, e-text selection, volunteer coordination and technical details.

SILS Boshamer Professor Gary
Marchionini helped conduct a usability
study for the N.C. State Library's
"StartSquad" web portal
(www.startsquad.com). The goal of the
portal is to allow children in pre-school
through middle school to access clusters of
web-based information in an easier fashion.

Assistant Professor **Brian Sturm** organized "Picture a Book," an exhibition he curated at the Carrboro Branch Library. The exhibit gave children's book illustrators the opportunity to display their work to the community. Colorful pictures and animated characters filled the walls of the library and explained the process of book illustrating, from text to image. Sturm also presents folk tales for students at area elementary schools.

SILS Associate Professor **Diane**Sonnenwald participated in a workshop for kindergarten to 12th-grade science teachers in November 2001. At the workshop, held at NC A&T State University in Greensboro, Sonnenwald discussed scientific collaboration. In addition to helping at workshops, Sonnenwald also volunteers at her son's middle school.

Cheryl Lytle, assistant director for instruction technology at SILS, has spent many hours volunteering at the Inter-Faith Council (IFC), which runs a homeless shelter in downtown Chapel Hill. Over the last two years, Lytle has worked with the IFC's staff in creating a database to keep track of their volunteers.

Students

Andre Burton, a second-year Ph.D. student, was responsible for the design and maintenance of www.ibiblio.org/laslave, a web site with documents on Afro-Louisiana history and genealogy. Burton was responsible for making the online database publicly available by moving it from one format to another.

Graduate student **Susie Heimbach** volunteered at Carrboro Elementary School twice a week as a "book angel" in the book room of the library and in the school reading partners program. Heimbach helped organize and label books for teachers' use

and participated in one-on-one book and reading activities with two kindergartners.

Graduate student **Leslie Sult** volunteered with the Carolina Farm Stewards Association (CFSA) by helping archive the CFSA's publication materials. Her volunteer efforts have included weeding, organizing and binding CFSA's journals, brochures and flyers to improve access to the information.

Undergraduate minor **Scott Werry** was the overall coordinator of the 2002 UNC Dance Marathon, held in February. The marathon was the culmination of a yearlong fundraising effort for the North Carolina Children's Hospital.

Graduate student **Emily Stambaugh** undertook some volunteer field experience with the Family Support Network (FSN) of North Carolina. As a library and information science consultant for FSN, Stambaugh developed a proposal to support the group's information and referral service and parent-to-parent program for families with specials needs children in North Carolina.

In February, undergraduate minor **Paymon Rouhanifard** was elected senior class president for the Class of 2003. He also co-chaired Students for the Advancement of Race Relations (SARR), a committee of UNC's Campus Y, and helped organize Race Relations Week, a five-day celebration held in October.

Undergraduate minor Janet Jackson worked for the Orange Water and Sewer Authority as its geographic information system (GIS) coordinator. She helped "map" water and sewer lines in a graphical format, working with extremely large data sets with thousands of records and fields.

MSIS student **Heather McCullough** accepted a position as director of the Language Resource Center at Davidson College beginning in the fall of 2003. As director of Davidson's Language Resource Center, McCullough will assist in the incorporation of instructional technology into foreign language classes.

Alumni

K.T. Vaughan (MSLS '01), webmaster for the N.C. Church and Synagogue Library Association, helps to get books for an under-developed university in Namibia. The project, organized through Chapel of the Cross Church and chaired by Vaughan, has laid out ways to work with UNC and several service organizations to increase the library holdings at the African university.

Kitty Benson (MSLS '92) works as a school librarian at Iditarod Elementary School in Wasilla, Alaska. In addition to her paid occupation at the school, Benson is also the person who keeps the computers

running and helps the teachers use them. She spends several additional hours each day at the school, making sure technology is up to speed at the Alaskan school.

Donna Nixon (MSLS '01), reference librarian at UNC's School of Law and former president of ILSSA, volunteered in South Africa as part of the World Library Partnership's Inform the World Project. She spent four weeks last summer in South Africa helping different rural and semi-rural areas in the country set up and improve community and school libraries.

Elizabeth Evans (MSLS '82), manager of the Instructional Technology Development Group, a division of UNC's Academic Technology and Networks, received UNC's 2001 Office of the Provost Public Service Award. The award "recognizes faculty and staff who have performed extraordinary public service themselves or who have motivated and enabled extraordinary service by others."

Anna Kemp (MSLS '00) works for Venetica, a software company in Charlotte, as a project manager. She spends approximately 10 hours per month working with the various volunteer projects sponsored by the Junior League of Charlotte.

Gerald Holmes (MSLS '85), participates in UNC-Greensboro's Conference on African American Culture and Experience. In 1999, he helped prepare the bibliography "The Legacy of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemmings." In 2000, he prepared "Undoing Racism in the Curriculum and Community, Featuring Bell Hooks" for the conference. Holmes has also presented workshops and panels on electronic access to resources for grant seekers, featuring basic techniques and terminology for all databases.

Laurel Hicks (MSLS '84), assistant director of the Gaston County Public Library and leader of a 12-person Junior Girl Scout troop, was awarded the "Outstanding Leader Award" from her local Girl Scout council. She has also coordinated a major bone marrow recruitment drive and has overseen blood donor recruitment and collection activities.

Joline Ezzell (MSLS '70), reference librarian at Duke University's Perkins Library, volunteers about seven hours each month at the Durham County Animal Shelter, feeding cats, cleaning cages and answering questions from visitors interested in adopting an animal. Ezzell also helps with the Adopt-A-Highway and the Red Cross.

Sally Hand (MSLS '83), law librarian at the U.S. Department of Labor, founded a program in New York City called "Read to Me" which takes homeless children to the public library on Saturdays. After leading the program for five years, Hand moved to Washington D.C. in 1994.

SILS Playing Integral Role in Health Site

Working with the National Library of Medicine (NLM) and UNC-Chapel Hill's Health Sciences Library, the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) is helping to build an exciting new online resource for North Carolina consumer health information.

Currently in its second phase of development, the web site (*nchealthinfo.org*) will offer North Carolinians links to programs and services in their communities and provide userfriendly access to a wealth of consumer health information. It will also offer connections to and from the NLM's MEDLINEplus web site of authoritative consumer-friendly health information.

SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall, HSL Director Carol Jenkins and Diana McDuffee (SILS MSLS 1980), library network director of NC AHEC (Area Health Education Centers), are the principal investigators for this unique collaborative effort funded through a contract by the NLM. The project is staffed by project director Peggy Hull, project coordinator Christie Silbajoris (SILS MSLS 2000) and technical developer Brian Hilligoss (MSIS 2001).

"This is an exciting project that will benefit all citizens of North Carolina," noted Marshall. "As people want to be more involved in making informed health decisions, we need to build systems and services that provide access to reliable and up-to-date resources."

The project is currently soliciting web site recommendations from health professionals, librarians and other individuals from across the state. Those wishing to recommend sites may submit them online at *nchealthinfo.org*. Organizers plan to unveil the site to the general public later this year. NC Health Info is being designed as a prototype that other states can replicate.

The Health Sciences Library is the primary library for UNC-Chapel Hill's Schools of Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Public Health, and UNC Hospitals. It also serves the health information needs of the entire university.

The National Library of Medicine, on the campus of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, is the world's largest medical library. \square



Award-winning author/illustrator Vera B. Williams appeared during the N.C. Literary Festival.

Williams Leaves Audience Wanting 'More, More, More'

Steinfirst Lecturer Delights Near Capacity Crowd

A full house of children and adults packed Wilson Library's Pleasants Family Assembly Room on April 6 to hear award-winning children's author and illustrator **Vera B. Williams** deliver the school's fourth Susan Steinfirst Memorial Lecture.

The appearance by Williams, who has had two books garner the prestigious Caldecott Honor, was part of this year's North Carolina Literary Festival. A book signing and reception in the lobby of Wilson Library followed Williams' presentation.

SILS Assistant Professor Brian Sturm, who helped organize the lecture, said Williams' works are known for their energy, energy that was abundantly evident during the author's visit to UNC.

"Children and adults immediately respond to her unique illustrations and writing," he said. "We were thrilled to have her be a part of this year's festival."

SILS first introduced the Steinfirst lecture in 1998 to honor the memory of Dr. Susan Steinfirst, a professor of children's and young adult literature from 1976-96 who died of cancer in March 1997. Past Steinfirst lecturers include Mary Pope Osborne (1998), Deborah Hopkinson (1999) and Seymour Simon (2000).

A resident of New York City, Williams



Gene Story (left), who established the Steinfirst Lecture Fund in the memory of his late wife and SILS faculty member Susan Steinfirst, shares a laugh with Dean Marshall and the guest of honor before the talk begins.

lived and worked in Black Mountain, N.C., from 1953-70. She received the Caldecott Honor for *A Chair for My Mother* in 1983 and for *More, More, More Said the Baby* in 1991. Williams received the first Charlotte Zolotow Award for *Lucky Song* in 1998. Since 1981, Williams has received five Parents' Choice Awards for her excellence in children's literature.

Conferences Bring the World to Chapel Hill

Global LIS Participants Look to Break Down Barriers

Library and information science educators and administrators from across the globe converged on Chapel Hill this spring to explore new opportunities for cooperation and collaboration across international

boundaries.



UNC's Jim Peacock was the keynote speaker at the April conference.

"Barriers and Opportunities: Globalization in LIS
Education" was hosted by SILS
and was funded by a grant from
the U.S. Department of
Education's Title VI program
and UNC's Center for International Studies (UCIS).

Participants came from across the campus, the nation and from as far away as Denmark, Singapore, Slovenia, Australia, the United Kingdom

and the Czech Republic. SILS professor and dean emeritus Dr. Barbara Moran organized the conference, with assistance from SILS students, staff and faculty members.

The three-day conference featured discussions, brainstorming sessions and a keynote address by Jim Peacock, Kenan professor of anthropology, professor of comparative literature, and director of the UCIS at UNC-Chapel Hill.

One of the outcomes of the conference will be a report suggesting possible next steps in increased efforts at globalization. Participants were also encouraged to share what they learned at the conference with those they work with back in their home countries. \Box



Participants at the conference included: FRONT (L-R): Steven MacCall, Lief Kajberg, Philippa Levy, Maja Zumer, Hermina Anghelescu, Joanne Gard Marshall and Jong Sung Kim; MIDDLE (L-R): Terry Weech, Paul Solomon, Barbara Moran, Christina Pattuelli, Blanche Woolls, Wilma Minty and Linda Lee; BACK (L-R): Jordan Scepenski, Martin Soucek, Evelyn Daniel, Rebecca Rhodes, Jerry Saye and Hendric Beiers.



Hands-on workshops were held in Manning Hall's computer classroom.

Cultural Heritage Professionals Examine Digitization In Depth



SILS Associate Professor Dr. Helen Tibbo(bolding sign), shown here with course instructors (from left) Ian Anderson, Lisa Spiro and Seamus Ross, organized the weeklong conference at Manning Hall.

Cultural heritage professionals from across the globe converged on Manning Hall this spring for a series of digitization lectures and hands-on workshops.

Organized by SILS, in conjunction with Rice
University's Fondren Library,
Glasgow University and the
Humanities Advanced Technology
and Information Institute
(HATII), the third Digitization for
Cultural Heritage Professionals
(DCHP) conference began March
10 and ran through March 15.

This intensive course consisted of lectures, seminars, lab-based practicals and visits to UNC and Duke libraries. The teaching team included Drs. Seamus Ross and Ian Anderson from Glasgow, Helen Tibbo from

SILS, Paul Conway from Duke University and Lisa Spiro from Rice University. \Box



Course instructor Ian Anderson (left) gives some pointers during one of the lab sessions.

What's Happening with SILS Students

Doctoral student **Teresa Church** (SILS MSLS '88) presented a session at the North Carolina Literary Festival in April at UNC titled "Carolina African-American Writers Collective." The session featured Church, Lenard Moore, Carole Boston Weatherford and Odessa Shaw.

Doctoral student **Miles Efron** has been awarded the 2002 A.R. Zipf Fellowship from the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). He is the second UNC student to win the fellowship, established in 1997 to recognize a graduate student who shows exceptional promise for leadership and technical achievement in information management. Debra Weiss won in 1999. Efron is a senior researcher at *www.ibiblio.org*, where he conducts research and development of information retrieval technologies for user-maintained digital libraries.

Master's students **Emily Jackson- Sanborn, Nikki Warren** and **Kerri Odess-Harnish** had an article accepted for publication in *Library Hi-Tech*, a quarterly, peer-reviewed, scholarly journal on computing and technology for the library community. The article is titled "Website Accessibility: A Study of Six Genres" and is scheduled to appear in Vol. 20, No. 3, of the journal.



SILS student associations held their annual book sale in April in front of Manning Hall.



Joining the Celebration ... SILS doctoral students at the school's 70th anniversary reception in April gathered for a rare group photo. Pictured, from left to right, are Ron Bergquist, Jack Dagg, Meredith Evans, Christy Adessa, Todd Wilkens, Jennifer Arns, Lewis Church, Pnina Shachaf, Joel Dunn, Tim Shearer, Kelly Maglaughlin, Teresa Church, Meng Yang, Sheila Denn, Chang Su, Kathy Wisser and Debbie Travers.

Master's student **Jill Katte** curated, as part of her field experience, a rare book exhibit at Wilson Library titled "Visions From the Underground: Lawrence Ferlinghetti, City Lights Books, and Alternative Publishing in America." Katte, a research assistant with the Rare Book Collection, was also involved in the preparation of an exhibit titled "A Collector's Passion: The Kidney in the History of Medicine."

Doctoral candidate **Seung-Lye Kim** has been awarded a Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship award in the amount of \$1,500. The fellowship is sponsored by Beta Phi Mu, the international library and information studies honor society.

Kim and SILS Associate Professor Diane Sonnenwald will present their paper, "Investigating the Relationship between Learning Style Preferences and Teaching Collaboration Skills and Technology: An Exploratory Study" at the ASIST annual conference in November.

Doctoral students **John MacMullen** and **Sheila Denn** are working on a poster for the ASIST annual meeting in November in Philadelphia titled "The Ambiguous Bioinformatics Domain: A Conceptual Map of Information Science Applications for Molecular Biology." It is designed to be an overview of molecular biology from the point of view of data flows, in an effort to make the field of bioinformatics more easily graspable by information scientists.

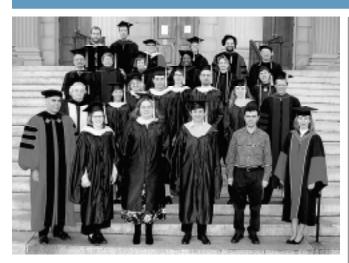
Three master's students working at UNC Libraries as part of CALA (Carolina Academic Library Associates) were awarded full funding for travel to the following conferences: **Kristen McConnell** (Music Library Association in Las Vegas), **Sean Knowlton** (American Library Association Mid-Winter in New Orleans) and **Ron Brown** (Conference on Computational Biology and Genome Informatics in Durham).

Doctoral student and NCSU Libraries fellow **Megan J. Oakleaf** has been named librarian for instruction and undergraduate research at North Carolina State University's Libraries. She will be responsible for designing and shaping an innovative and dynamic curriculum-integrated instruction and information competency program to best serve the needs of NCSU undergraduates.

SILS doctoral student **Debbie Travers** won the "best nursing paper" award at the seventh annual Emergency Medicine Research Forum, hosted by the UNC-Chapel Hill Department of Emergency Medicine in April.

The Student Chapter of the Society of American Archivists (SCOSAA) hosted a conference in September on digital initiatives involving cultural heritage called "Special Collections from Your Desktop." Master's student Donna Baker, then vice president of SCOSAA, organized the event and the Society of North Carolina Archivists (SNCA) donated a \$100 grant to help finance the conference.

SILS Graduates



December 2001 Commencement

Doctor of Philosophy

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Certificate of Advanced Study

December 2001Richard David Pullin

Master of Science in Information Science

August 2001

Laura Sullivan Agnew Tao Gao Alison H. Gilchrest Hannah Rains Toney Thomas Allen Vaughn

December 2001

Bradley Craig Argue Nora Dineane Buttram Justin Richard Dopke Larry Scott King Vikki Nicole Mercer Monica Vong

Master of Science in Library Science

August 2001

James Pratt Berwick
Peter Thomas Caggia
Jordan Davis
Kimberly Duckett
Melinda Jane Ellison
Rebecca Margaret Lee
Janet Elizabeth Murphy

Donna Lee Nixon Jennifer Simpson Parsons Christine Quillen James Michael Roth Joe M. Williams Julie Autumn Winters

December 2001

Donna Jo Baker Danielle Renee Beaudin Lindsey Catherine Dunn Youngjoo Moon Naomi A. Parkhurst Beth L. Rowe Monecia Tania Samuel

Undergraduate Minor in Information Systems

Daniel Michael Dawson Jackson Melissa Jane Linn Gerry Adrian Lipscomb II Amanda Anne Manring* Niyati Mahendra Patel Rajani Nina Rao Shams Mehboob Tejani* Mary Winifred White

* - August graduate

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Master of Science in Information Science

Tammy Lynn Allgood Sarah Abigail Auman Cara Nicole Bonnett Ron Tavara Brown Jennifer Rae Bulger Sambbavi Lakshmi Cheemalapati Dionne Marie Dockendorf Serena Jardine Fenton Melissa Briley Florio
Holley Whitehurst Long
Mary Brent Ruvane
Carol Burniston Viscount
Emily Kate Warmoth
Linwood Webster
Lesley Taylor Whedbee

Master of Science in Library Science

Garad Megan Davis
Jane Register Deacle
Ellen Caskie Decker
Brandi Lynn Florence
John Conroy Foster
Jolayne Stoddard Gotzkowsky
Corey Aric Harper
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70th Year Featured Commencement, Mentoring and More

I recently passed the mid-point of my term of office and while time seems to have flown by, much is yet to be done. Please allow me to take this opportunity to briefly update you on what's been happening and what lies ahead.

Back in March, we established an electronic nominating committee for Distinguished Alumni Awards. Although we solicited nominations for the award, the

primary work of the committee remains: updating the criteria for the award (now 20 years old) and revising the nominating process.

In April, we



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By David Goble

helped celebrated the school's 70th anniversary with a week of

mentoring that coincided with National Library Week. Thirty-five students participated in the mentoring program this year and to provide a broader range of mentoring opportunities, we partnered with Beta Phi Mu, LAUNC-CH and NCSLA. Thirty-three librarians mentored students in academic, public and special libraries.

In May, we once again hosted our annual post-commencement reception on the lawn in front of Manning Hall. It was a beautiful day and the graduates and their families and friends really seemed to enjoy the culmination of their years of hard work at SILS.

The association also played a role in the commencement ceremony itself, held in Carroll Hall immediately before the reception. In addition to welcoming our newest alumni with membership cards and a free year's membership in the association, our association vice president, Selden Lamoureux, presented our 33rd Distinguished Alumni Award to Dr. Joan Durrance from the University of Michigan.

Now onto the work that still awaits us. I need your help on a couple of matters. First, we need nominations for the office of treasurer. Ralph Kaplan has done a great job

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AlumniNews



Honored Alumna ... Dr. Joan Durrance from the University of Michigan School of Information (second from right), a 1964 SILS graduate, was honored at May's commencement ceremony with the school's Distinguished Alumni Award. Durrance is pictured above with (from left) Alumni Association President David Goble, her husband Ray Durrance and SILS Dean Joanne Gard Marshall.

Fund Reworked, Renamed for Chatman

On a sad note, the Alumni Association mourns the passing of Dr. Elfreda Chatman (see article, page 4). To keep her spirit alive at SILS, the association, with your help, will create a memorial fund in her honor.

Last year we established a book scholarship to support SILS students. The support that many of you provided to that fund was greatly appreciated. The board thought it would be appropriate to dedicate the scholarship to Dr. Chatman and broaden its purpose. To this end, we have decided to rename the fund "The Dr. Elfreda Chatman Fund for Books and Research."

Our goal is to create a fund that will support our book scholarships as well as research in the area of information-seeking behavior. It would favor proposals in the areas that Dr. Chatman was most interested in: teaching and research focused on the areas of cultural studies of communication, ethnographic studies of information use, information theory and social studies of information.

We do not wish to conflict with any other efforts that are underway in Dr. Chatman's memory, but feel strongly that Elfreda's scholarship, vibrant spirit and 12 years of service on the faculty at SILS should be memorialized. The association will make a donation from its operating funds, but we need your help.

Please use the form included in this edition to enclose your gift for the Dr. Elfreda Chatman Fund for Books and Research along with your annual dues. In the case of life members, we simply hope you will consider a contribution to the fund.

-- David Goble, Alumni Assoc. President

What's Happening with SILS Alumni

Former SILS Librarian **Elizabeth J. Laney** (MSLS '73) recently received the Circle Award from the North Carolina Dietetic Association, awarded for outstanding contributions to education or outreach for nutrition by a non-nutrition professional.

Dav Robertson (MSLS '75), director of the library at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) in Research Triangle Park, has been elected 2002-2003 chapter cabinet chair-elect of the Special Libraries Association (SLA). He will take office at the SLA Annual Conference in June.

Susan Lynne Greear (MSLS '77) is librarian at Rye Cove High School in the Scott County School System in Clinchport, Va.

Mary Jane Petrowski (MSLS '78) has been named senior associate executive director of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL). She had previously served as head of information literacy at Colgate University since December 1993.

Nan Seamans (MSLS '78) has received her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction (instructional technology) from Virginia Tech's College of Human Resources and Education. Her dissertation was titled "Information Literacy: A Study of Freshman Students' Perceptions, with Recommendations."

James A. Curtis (MSLS '80) is the associate director of UNC-Chapel Hill's Health Sciences Library.

E. Jens Holley (MSLS '83) has been appointed department chair of Clemson University Libraries.

Martha Barefoot (MSLS '84), immediate past president of the SILS Alumni Association, has announced her retirement from her position of reference/interlibrary loan librarian after 18 years of service with the law library at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Irene Kan Patrick (MSLS '85), information services technology librarian for the State Library of North Carolina, married Dr. Donald Patrick on Sept. 8, 2001.

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Send updates to David MacDonald, SILS Director of Communications, at macdonald@ils.unc.edu or CB#3360, 100 Manning Hall; Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3360. Make sure to include your degree and the year you received it.

Sue Felber (MSLS '87) has been recognized as Hospital Librarian of the Year for 2001 by the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (MLA). Felber is the medical library coordinator at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute in Tampa.

Stacey Kimmel (MSLS '89) is team leader of student and general services at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa.

Suzanne Eggleston Lovejoy (MSLS '90) is assistant music librarian for public services at Yale University Library in New Haven, Conn.

Hope Bryan (MSIS '91), director of the computing division for the UNC Department of Biostatistics' Collaborative Studies Coordinating Center, was recently awarded the department's staff award for excellence. Bryan is responsible for all data management for the center's clinical trials and epidemiological studies.

Jennifer Manning (MSLS '91) has been elected secretary of the Library of Congress Professional Association (LCPA) for 2002.

Sally Munson (MSLS '91) and Ramon Abad were married in Brooklyn on April 16, 2002. Munson is a reference librarian at the law firm of Dewey Ballantine LLP. Abad is head librarian at the Instituto Cervantes in New York. They live in Brooklyn with their 19-month old daughter Isabel.

Laura Beals Davidson (MSLS ''92) is dean of the library at Meredith College in Raleigh.

Jenifer Grady (MSLS '93) is a student in the Weatherhead School of Management at Case Western Reserve University in Ohio.

Deb Morley (MSLS '93) has accepted the position of director of information technology services at the Harvard College Library.

Nancy Novotny (MSLS '93) is archives assistant with The Menil Collection in Houston.

Stephen Mantz (MSLS '94) has been named editor of the Music Library Association's newsletter. Mantz has served as music librarian at Davidson College since 1994 when he became the college's first full-time professional music librarian.

Doralyn H. Rossman (MSLS '94) is library systems analyst at Montana State University in Bozeman.

Susan Janet Towe (MSLS '94) is public services librarian at the Olympio T. Borja Memorial Library of Northern Marianas College, located on the Pacific island of Saipan.

Michael J. Albrecht (MSIS '95) is worldwide web manager of IBM's public web site in Research Triangle Park.

Veronika Fantova (CAS '96), former SILS exchange student from the Czech Republic, is participating in training at the European Commission in Brussels.

Sharlene Harris (MSLS '96) is territorial librarian and director of libraries for the Division of Libraries and Archives, which is the administrative body for the territorial (U.S. Virgin Islands) public libraries.

Leslie Madden (MSLS '96) and her husband Bill have announced the birth of their first child, a girl. Claudia Corinne was born on Jan. 7, 2002.

Becky Carvajal (MSLS '97), husband Jose and daughter Vivian have welcomed their new arrival, Kailey Helen, born on May 29, 2002.

Bruce Henson (MSLS '97) has been named the head of reference at the Georgia Institute of Technology & Information Center. He came to the library in 1998 as reference librarian and information consultant. From 1999 until his recent promotion, he was assistant head of reference.

Evelyn M. Poole-Kober (MSLS '97) attended the 82nd annual meeting of the

American Meteorological Society, and the fifth annual meeting of the Atmospheric Science Librarians International (ASLI) in Orlando in January.

W. John MacMullen (MSIS '97), a bioinformatics fellow at UNC, presented his poster "Toward the Development of an Open Metadata Framework for Compositional Proteomics" at the Fourth Conference on Computational Biology and Genome Informatics in RTP. MacMullen will enter the SILS Ph.D. program this fall.

Betty Garrison (MSLS '98) is a reference and business librarian at Elon University.

Calvin Craig (MSLS '99) is an information access librarian with Gaston College in Dallas, N.C.

Shirley Dellenback (MSLS '99) is head of the reference department at the Butte County Library's Chico Branch in Chico, Calif.

Donna Knock (MSLS '99), a former SILS intern at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), has been hired as the librarian in charge of the University of Maryland's Mannheim (Germany) campus.

Richard Murray (MSLS 1999), a catalog librarian at Vanderbilt University, is quoted extensively in Priscilla K. Shontz's new book *Jump Start Your Career in Library and Information Science*, published in January 2002 by Scarecrow Press. Murray has also been named a member of the Publicity Working Group of the American Library Association's Better Salaries and Pay Equity Task Force.

In Memoriam

Mae Kreeger Tillman (ABLS '38) June 10, 2001
Olivia Burton Burwell (BSLS '41) March 3, 2002
Anna Belle White Lewis (BSLS '42) Nov. 16, 2001
Anne Coogan Catlin (BSLS '43) Nov. 6, 1995
Katherine Thompson Cooper (BSLS '50) May 10, 1998
Lillian Perry Freeman (BSLS '51) May 22, 1999
Miles Christopher Horton Jr. (BSLS '53) Feb. 7, 2001
Jane Cutler Bahnsen (BSLS '54) Sept. 20, 2001
Frances Ann Bold (MSLS '56) Sept. 29, 2001
Alice Wright Porter (BSLS '56) April 26, 1995
Sara Jane Thompson (MSLS '71) Sept. 21, 2001
Margaret Virginia Hunt (MSLS '71) July 24, 2000
Lois Ballard Iantosca (MSLS '72) Oct. 29, 2001
Vivian Payne Halperen (MSLS '76) Jan. 3, 2002

Death notices are provided by the UNC-CH General Alumni Association (GAA). Dates in parentheses indicate class year. Notify the GAA Records Department with death announcements at PO Box 660; Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

Dr. Alenka Sauperl (Ph.D 1999) and Professor Jerry D. Saye presented their paper "When 'Surfing' the Web Isn't Good Enough: Providing Access to Electronic Resources" in October at Digital Libraries, the Annual Conference of Union of Associations of Slovene Librarians, in Radenci, Slovenia. Also in October, Alenka won the union's Kalan Award for her monograph titled *Classification of Library Material*. Alenka has also had a monograph of her dissertation, titled *Subject Determination During the Cataloging Process*, published by Scarecrow Press.

Betsy McGrath Greco (MSIS '00) is database administrator for the Association for Investment Management and Research in Charlottesville, Va.

Clarence Lewis (MSIS '00) is working as an Internet strategist with the Center for Medicaire/Medicaid Services in Baltimore, Md.

An article by **Clint Chamberlain** (MSLS '01), titled "Librarians on Center Stage: Being a

Teaching Librarian," appeared at *LIScareer.com*, a web site featuring career development resources for new librarians and information professionals, students and those considering a library-related career. Clint is the information literacy librarian at Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi.

Clista Clanton (MSLS '01) is a library intern with Vanderbilt University's Eskind Biomedical Library. She presented her paper "Faculty and Student Perceptions on the Effectiveness of Online Course Modules: Are Modules a Hindrance or Help?" at the 2001 Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Medical Library Association last October. In May, she presented a poster on online course modules at the Medical Library Association's annual meeting in Dallas.

Alison Gilchrest (MSIS '01) has won the Art Libraries Society of North America's (ARLIS) 2001 Gerd Muehsam Award for her master's paper titled "Factors Affecting Controlled Vocabulary Usage in Art Museum Information Systems." The award each year recognizes excellence in a graduate paper or project on a topic relevant to art librarianship or visual resources curatorship.

Amy Ising (MSIS '01) and her husband Ted have announced the birth of a daughter, Elena Virginia, on Jan. 22, 2002. Amy currently works part-time at the UNC Department of Emergency Medicine.

Lokman I. Meho (Ph.D. '01) is an assistant professor at the School of Information Science and Policy at the University at Albany − State University of New York. He is teaching reference, collection development and information technology courses. □

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- **Robert Cannon**, Director, Charlotte-Mecklenberg Public Libraries - Charlotte;
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2002-03 Alumni Dues / Chatman Fund Contribution Form

The UNC-CH SILS Alumni Association believes that strong ties between alumni and the school contribute to a robust educational program. To that end, the association supports the work of SILS and encourages alumni involvement in the school through a variety of programs and initiatives. The Association's activities focus on the crucial areas of communication, recognition of achievement and financial support.

Membership fees are used to support the work of the SILS Alumni Association and provide you with a way to participate in the continuing life of the school and its alumni.

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these last two years but is ready to move on. We also need nominations for vice president/president-elect. I am looking forward to becoming the immediate past president.

Second, in an effort to save the cost of postage, we will hold an electronic election this year. More on this when we figure out exactly how this will work. Third, since we will not be sending out ballots, we ask that you use the form on the top of this page to pay your dues. The executive board thanks you for your past support of the association and its activities, and fervently hopes you will continue that support.

On another subject, did you ever receive an invitation to join Beta Phi Mu and not take advantage of that invitation? If so, now is your chance to become a member. The National Office of Beta Phi Mu has extended their Millennial Celebration offer to anyone who was invited to join between 1947 and 2001 and failed to do so. If you would like to join now, call or e-mail me and I will be happy to help you process your application. The offer is good until Dec. 31. My contact information is below.

Another endeavor that remains to be completed is the appointment of an alumni association web master. If you think you might be interested in taking on this important job, let me know.

This is probably the last time I will

address you in this column. I have been associated with the Alumni Board for almost six years, and have loved every moment. To those of you who have supported the association with your time and money, I thank you from the very bottom of my heart.

I look forward to completing my term and the unfinished objectives set for this year. Thanks in advance for your ongoing support. Please consider a donation to the Dr. Elfreda Chatman Memorial Fund for Books and Research (see sidebar article).

Do not hesitate to contact me at *dgoble@ebsco.com* or at 1-800-723-2726 (ext. 9720) if you have any questions or if there are any issues that you feel the board should address. □

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