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Inaugural meeting held in Chapel Hill

Citizens around the world are becoming more aware that they often need a trusted guide to help sort and substantiate the information they require. Faculty members at the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) agree that leading institutions are obliged to review and design anew roles and models for Knowledge Professionals who will assume

larger and more pivotal roles in the 21st Century.

To consider and address topics ranging from knowledge, trust, ethics and stewardship that impact library and information science professions, a newly formed academy of world leaders met in Chapel Hill, N.C. on Oct. 6 and 7.

The Louis Round Wilson Academy has been convened by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's School of Information and Library Science as global thought leaders and information revolutionaries who serve as a modern-day council of elders.

Members were selected for their broad range of experiences and insightful outlooks that are



Members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's School of Information and Library Science faculty following the formal induction ceremony in the rotunda of the Rare Books Room of the Louis Round Wilson Library.

focused on collecting, sharing and preserving the record of human accomplishment, activity and imagination. They are charged with addressing a future of constant change in which new knowledge professionals—experts who can help locate, evaluate and guide users to credible, comprehensive information that is relevant and reliable—must anticipate and understand the information needs of tomorrow's society.

The founding members of the Academy include presidents and chief executive officers of information technology organizations, historians, authors, university scholars and librarians and information scientists from around the world.

that those who pursue careers in this increasingly important profession require an education that engenders responsibility for all knowledge that influences change."

Her vision of the 21st and 22nd century knowledge professional resembles a cross between the Pope's most trusted advisor and a Jedi master—with every corporate, government, academic and scientific leader relying on this individual to ensure that the information on which critical decisions are based is accurate, complete, unbiased and relevant.

"Without trusted guides through the rapidly accumulating volume of recorded knowledge

"Our faculty, and the faculty of every leading University in the world, realizes that the role of the 21st and 22nd century knowledge professional must be carefully shaped," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS and the founding chair of the Louis Round Wilson Academy. "We understand

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Dean's Message

Dear friends and colleagues:

As you will discover in the pages of this newsletter, the whirlwind of activity at SILS continues. Faculty, staff, students and alumni alike are making major contributions to our professions and our disciplines, and to the communities they serve.

Last spring I began to discuss the need to re-introduce ourselves as indispensable allies to users of recorded knowledge in the global information age. To shape and refine an enhanced role and identity for 21st century knowledge professionals, we sought to hear from leaders who understand today's (and tomorrow's) issues of ethics, trust, stewardship and knowledge transfer. Last fall we convened the Louis Round Wilson Academy, a group of thought-leaders and information revolutionaries.

The inaugural meeting was held in Chapel Hill in October and included spirited discussion and debate on a wide range of topics including trust, ethics, knowledge, identity and openness. Academy members were fully engaged as issues of the importance of identifying, locating, accessing and preserving the world's recorded knowledge were discussed.

To commemorate the establishment of the Academy, we held a night-time induction ceremony in the Rare Book Room of the Wilson Library. SILS faculty, in full academic regalia, witnessed each inductee sign a specially designed register. The entire ceremony created an almost magical memory in its place, time and formality – very Harry Potterish!

Just before the end of the Academy meeting, we were delighted to receive and accept an invitation from the Spanish Embassy and the University of Granada to hold the next Academy meeting in Granada, Spain.

One lunchtime discussion during the meeting led to the University Library and SILS joining the Open Content Alliance (OCA). OCA is a group of organizations from around the world that are building a permanent archive of digitized text and multi-media materials. The School's role will be to collaborate with the Alliance on research and to participate on Alliance working groups.

While actively participating in these global efforts, we are also preparing to celebrate SILS' 75th anniversary next academic year. The first class was held on September 17th 1931 and the first graduation was on June 7, 1932. Our watchwords for the celebration are: rededication, redefinition and commitment:

- **Rededication** to the high ethical and professional standards that have made this school and those entrusted to its care, among the best in the nation.
- **Redefinition** of our ongoing mission to educate and train the “next” generation of knowledge professionals, and, indeed, an ongoing redefinition of our profession itself.
- **Commitment** to the highest standards of stewardship of what we believe is now, perhaps for the first time in history, a globally accessible Knowledge Trust, comprising the totality of mankind's recorded knowledge . . . a trust never more accessible, never more at risk, and never more in need of conscientious, professional, and dedicated stewardship.

We plan to launch the celebration of our anniversary with a week of events starting the afternoon of September 18th. Other events are planned during the year. Much has changed over the past 75 years, but our goal of providing excellence in education, research and public engagement stands constant. Watch for updates on our anniversary plans on our Web site and in upcoming newsletters.

Finally, I'd like to acknowledge the generosity of so many of you. Your contributions are all appreciated by us and they all do help us in our pursuit of excellence. I hope you'll come back to SILS during the anniversary year to remember the good times and the bad times, to renew fellowship and camaraderie, and let those of us still here, shake your hand and say a heartfelt “thank you.”

Sincerely,
José-Marie Griffiths
Professor and Dean

\$1.5 million bequest to benefit technology at SILS

Dr. William H. and Vonna K. Graves have pledged a gift of \$1.5 million to the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The bequest, SILS' largest to date, is intended to enhance the School's technology programs and services.

"The idea is to improve not only programmatic quality, but also simultaneously the School's unit cost structures and the flexibility and convenience of its programs for students—to make the School an unparalleled exemplar of measurable quality, accessibility and efficiency," said Graves.



The couple envisions their gift being used to "flatten" the School's programs and services in ways currently being discussed by readers of the book, *The World Is Flat*, by Thomas Friedman. The book describes the societal and economic imperatives for using information technology to create new collaborative business and organization models. Graves, an expert on the uses of IT in higher education, just wrote of these possibilities in "Improving Institutional Performance through IT-Enabled Innovation" in the November/December (2005) issue of the *EDUCAUSE Review*, and he comments on them frequently in his blog (Web log) at: <http://institutionalperformance.typepad.com>

"To prepare our students to succeed in a world that is ever changing, it is imperative that

we not only demonstrate how technology is altering the way organizations—both public and private—gather, analyze, apply and distribute information, but also use it to open new avenues of learning and engagement for our students," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "Through this generous gift from Bill and Vonna Graves, we will be able to offer students new learning opportunities and experiences in a state-of-the-art technology environment that extends globally. We are very grateful for this bequest and for the thoughtful insight offered by the Graves' to enhance the School's future through technology."

William Graves, professor emeritus of mathematics at UNC at Chapel Hill and senior vice president for academic strategy at Collegis, interacted with SILS faculty on the

School's planning efforts during the mid-1990s. He says he was impressed with the school and its people and their "can-do, roll-up-the-sleeves attitude" to serving their students and improving their already top-notch professional programs.

"Dr. Barbara Moran, who was dean at the time, and colleagues such as Professor Evelyn Daniel were providing unselfish leadership that set the School apart as dedicated not only to academic excellence, but also to a public service ethic that is sometimes not the norm in research universities," said Graves. "I hold the School in high regard and believe that Dean José-Marie Griffiths will continue to lead the School forward on the path of academic excellence and public service still being practiced by the School's faculty and staff."

Graves served as associate dean for general education, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs and senior information technology officer under various titles at UNC at Chapel Hill. He was the founder and director of the Institute for Academic Technology—a UNC/IBM alliance. In 1999 he retired from UNC to found and chair the board of Eduprise, Inc., an academic technology services firm that subsequently merged with Collegis, now SunGard Collegis. He writes a periodic academic technology column for *Campus Technology* and serves as a co-founding board member on the boards of both the National Center for Academic Transformation and the Alliance for Higher Education Competitiveness.

The \$1.5 million planned gift counts toward the university's Carolina First Campaign goal of \$2 billion. Carolina First is a comprehensive, multi-year, private fund-raising campaign to support Carolina's vision of becoming the nation's leading public university. □

75th Anniversary Committee formed



The SILS 75th Anniversary Planning Committee. From left to right: David Goble, committee chair and dean of libraries, Central Piedmont Community College; Julie Harris, Alumni Association treasurer; Shawn Jackson, director of development; Sarah Snow, chair, Board of Visitors; Dan Morrow, principal, Jamestown Exploration; Mary Boone, state librarian; Claudia Gollop, associate dean; José-Marie Griffiths, dean; Wayne Pond, director of UNC's Humanities and Human Values; and Karen Sobel, SILS student. Not pictured, David Carr, associate professor; and Wanda Monroe, director of communications.

The School of Information and Library Science will celebrate its 75th anniversary beginning in fall 2006. To prepare for the year-long celebration, a planning committee has been formed.

The first meeting of the group allowed members to begin discussing ideas for activities and events for the anniversary celebration. In

addition to reviewing feedback from the Alumni Association Board and the SILS Board of Visitors, members conducted a brainstorming session, developed a preliminary time line and compiled an initial list of tasks.

Watch for more information about the 75th anniversary on the SILS Web site and in the next issue of the newsletter. □

SILS and UNC Libraries join the Open Content Alliance

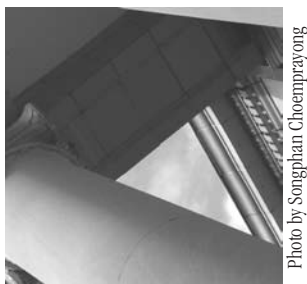


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The University Library and SILS have joined the Open Content Alliance (OCA), a group of organizations from around the world that are building a permanent archive of digitized text and multimedia materials.

The collections included in the archive are available for access and reuse by the global population, while “respecting the rights of content owners and contributors.”

The School is the first from a university to join the alliance; the library is the first to contribute manuscripts.

The library will initially focus on a project to digitize manuscripts from its

Southern Historical Collection.

“These are unique items such as letters, notes, diaries, handwritten records, even photos,” said Sarah C. Michalak, SILS professor, university librarian and associate provost for University Libraries. “They are fragile, sometimes they’re hard to read, and they can be very difficult to convert to digital form. But each one tells a unique story. Making them available through the Open Content Alliance for the world to use is an exciting opportunity.”

SILS faculty will collaborate with the Alliance on research and participate on alliance working groups as will UNC librarians.

This is not SILS’ first time participating in the open dissemination of digital information. The School has been researching, developing and providing open source software and open digital content through projects such as ibiblio.org and the Open Video project. The projects have led to an expansion of information that would otherwise be unavailable.

In addition to documents, the library will contribute expertise acquired through its Documenting the American South digital library and related projects, says Michalak.

“This joint initiative will allow us to expand the capability and influence of our research while engaging our students, thereby enhancing their educational experience,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean and professor of SILS. “We can provide expertise in the areas of digitization of not only books, but video and multimedia, metadata design and development and digital curation and preservation.”

More than 30 organizations have joined the Alliance, among them are *The New York Times*, MSN, Yahoo!, Research Library Group (RLG) and various universities throughout the country.

“The Open Content Alliance is based on the fundamental principles of openness. We are delighted to participate in an effort that will expand the availability of and access to open content,” said Griffiths. □

Handling e-mail overload

The situation is all too familiar: e-mail gradually piles up, until one day your inbox holds 1,342 messages.

Files nest deep inside the office computer network, never to be seen again. Or you spend hours editing a document, only to find that you’ve been working on the wrong copy and must start over.

Researchers at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke University have been tackling these problems for three years. Now, they have created an online tutorial on how best to manage e-mail and computer files, available free at www.ils.unc.edu/digitaldesktop.

Their project, “Managing the Digital University Desktop,” involved studying ways employees at Duke and all 16 UNC campuses deal with the masses of e-mail and other electronic information that come their way.

“Information overload and e-mail management are insidious and universal problems that threaten the retention and retrieval of institutional digital assets,” said Dr. Helen Tibbo, principle investigator for the project and a professor at SILS.

An employee may be able to find lost files and e-mail messages with search mechanisms, Tibbo said. But other staff who need to access the employee’s files have difficulty when there is little rhyme or reason to file names and organizational schemes.

“Managing electronic records is more challenging than organizing paper records, because users can create, copy and distribute files so easily, and because there is no apparent need to delete or organize material when storage costs continuously decrease,” said Tibbo. “Since few computer programs – such as word processing or e-mail – include

records management features, employees without training in information organization or archiving often are left to fend for themselves when it comes to managing files.”

Besides the tutorial, the team posted presentations that may be used for instruction. The Web site also includes an extensive bibliography, links to associated resources and frequently asked questions.

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission, the grant-making affiliate of the National Archives and Records Administration, awarded UNC two grants totaling \$253,135 over the three year period. University Archives and Records Service hosted additional free workshops on e-mail management.

Members of the Duke research team included project principle investigator Timothy Pyatt, university archivist; project consultant Dr. Paul Conway, director of Library Digital Assets Initiatives for the University Libraries; and project adviser David Mitchell, certified records manager, University Records.

UNC researchers include principle investigator, Helen Tibbo, professor; advisers Frank Holt, records service coordinator, and Janis Holder, university archivist; and managers Ruth Monnig, Megan Winget (doctoral student at SILS) and Kimberly Chang.

“It was great working with such a wonderful team that blended academics and archival and records management practitioners,” said Tibbo. “This project could not have been conducted without such a collaboration and the support of SILS, the UNC at Chapel Hill Academic Affairs Library, and Duke University Libraries.” □

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that is available, global society will lose both confidence and the innovative spirit. As knowledge leaders, we must move immediately to shape curricula and career paths that respond precisely to emerging needs in industry, government, science and academia," said Griffiths.

"Citizens of the world are increasingly aware that they need help in sorting and substantiating the information they require," said Griffiths. "I agree with fellow Academy member James J. O'Donnell, provost of Georgetown University, when he says the librarian of the future will have to be a more active participant in decision-making or we will live in infochaos."

In O'Donnell's book, *Avatars of the Word*, he puts what he refers to as "the historical moment" in which we live into perspective and points to what he believes may be our future as we move toward cyberspace. Both O'Donnell and Griffiths believe that information specialists

and librarians of the future will be immensely important.

"If the traditional librarian has been conceived as a figure at home in the discreet silences and cautious dealings of a Henry James novel," O'Donnell writes, "...now, perhaps the right model will be found in James Fenimore Cooper or the Star Wars films: something between the pathfinder Natty Bumppo and the Jedi knight."

By founding the Academy, Griffiths and her colleagues intend to take on the extraordinary assignment of reviewing and re-designing roles and models for knowledge professionals entering the field as well as professionals who are assuming new and important roles.

The next meeting of the Academy will be held in Granada, Spain at the invitation of the Spanish government and the University of Granada. □



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Dr. Robert Martin, former director of the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services and current Lillian Bradshaw endowed chair of Library Science, Texas Woman's University.

Current Academy members include:

- James Bailey, author and scholar
- Chris Batt, chief executive, Museums, Libraries and Archives Council
- Dr. Lynne Brindley, chief executive, The British Library
- Lonnie C. Bunch, founding director of the National Museum of African American History and Culture, Smithsonian Institution
- Dr. Reginald Carr, director of University Library and Bodley's Librarian, Oxford University
- Dr. Joan Challinor, former chair, United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science
- Dr. Nancy Davenport, president, Council on Library and Information Resources
- Catherine DeRosa, vice president of marketing and library services, OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc.
- Dr. Beth D. Fitzsimmons, president, Information Strategists, Inc.
- Ubaldo Gonzalez, senior representative, Spanish Ministry of Finance, Embassy of Spain
- Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean, School of Information and Library Science, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Kenneth Hamma, senior advisor for Information Policy, J. Paul Getty Trust
- Dr. Paul Horn, executive vice president and director of Research, IBM Corporation



- Jay Jordan, president and CEO, OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc.
- Brewster Kahle, digital librarian, director and co-founder, Internet Archive
- Donald King, visiting scholar, UNC at Chapel Hill, research professor, University of Pittsburgh
- Paula Le Dieu, director, iCommons
- Dr. Robert Martin, Lillian Bradshaw endowed chair of Library Science, Texas Woman's University
- Daniel Morrow, director emeritus, Computerworld Smithsonian Awards Program
- Dave Nicholas, professor of Library and Information Studies and director of SLAIS, University College London
- Cathy Norton, director, Marine Biological Library/Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
- Dr. James J. O'Donnell, provost, Georgetown University
- Dr. Wayne Pond, director, Program in Humanities and Human Values, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Tom Rabon, executive vice president, Corporate Affairs, Red Hat
- Dr. Yael Ravin, program director, Learning and Organizational Performance, IBM

- Dr. Eva Mendez Rodriguez, Department Biblioteconomía y Documentación, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
- Steve Seidel, Arts in Education Program, Harvard University Graduate School of Education
- Dr. Terry Sharer, curator of Health Sciences, Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History
- Dr. Robert Shelton, executive vice chancellor and provost, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Dr. Vivian Siegel, senior editor, Department of Pathology, University of California, San Francisco
- Matthew Szulik, chairman, CEO, and president, Red Hat
- Dr. Winston Tabb, dean of University Libraries, The Johns Hopkins University
- Jimmy Wales, founder, Wikipedia
- John Wilkin, associate university librarian for Library Information Technology and Technical and Access Services, University of Michigan
- Dr. Ian Wilson, librarian and archivist of Library and Archives of Canada
- Dr. Ann Wolpert, director, MIT Libraries, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Nicole Wong, associate general counsel, Google, Inc.
- Dr. Shoshana Zuboff, Charles Edward Wilson Professor of Business Administration, Harvard Business School

Opening information horizons

6th ACM/IEEE-CS Joint Conference on Digital Libraries 2006

Mark your calendar for the 2006 Joint Conference on Digital Libraries (JCDL), hosted by the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The event will take place June 11 - 15, 2006.

With a theme of "Opening Information Horizons," the international event encompasses the many meanings of the term "digital libraries," including new forms of information institutions; operational information systems with all manner of digital content; new means of selecting, collecting, organizing, and distributing digital content; digital preservation and archiving; and theoretical models of information media, including document genres and electronic publishing.

This year's program will include peer-reviewed papers and posters as well as demonstrations and two plenary sessions:

"Getting Books Online: Practices and Strategies." A plenary panel on Monday, June 12.

Panelists include:

- Daniel Clancy, engineer director for Google Print
- David Ferriero, Andrew W. Mellon director and chief executive of The Research Libraries at The New York Public Library
- Daniel Greenstein, university librarian, California Digital Library

"Open Information: Redaction, Restriction, and Removal." Jonathan Zittrain of the Berkman Center for Internet & Society, Harvard Law School Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford will present on Tuesday, June 13.

"JCDL '06 will celebrate the progress in making digital information accessible to people around the world, consider ways in which digital libraries can help individuals achieve their goals and assist people from around the globe to understand one another," said Dr. Gary Marchionini, conference chair. "We invite you to attend this premier research and development conference in the friendly venue of Chapel Hill. Join us!" □

To register, or to learn more about the 2006 JCDL Conference, visit the Web site at: www.jcdl2006.org/



SILS participates in new Bioinformatics Research Center

The School of Information and Library Science will participate in a new \$4.5 million research center funded by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The Carolina Environmental Bioinformatics Research Center (CEBRC) has been created to "foster collaborative research between environmental bioinformatics researchers nationwide, and to provide for the interchange of research data and scholarly information."

The CEBRC will initially host basic science research projects including Biostatistics, ChemInformatics and Computational Infrastructure. In addition, the Public Outreach and Translational Activities (POTA) project will facilitate the exchange and communication of environmental research between the EPA and the different constituencies it serves (universities, libraries, corporate research, the public, government agencies and Congress). Dr. Brad Hemminger, assistant professor at SILS, is the director of POTA as well as an investigator on the Computational Infrastructure project.

The first program of POTA will be to expand the existing successful SILS EPA/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) internship program.

Developed in conjunction with April Errickson (MSLS '99), director of the EPA Library at Research Triangle Park (RTP), N.C., the expansion will include an internship funded by the CEBRC fellowships for library science students trained in the specialized areas of environmental and bioinformatics sciences.

For the computational infrastructure project Hemminger and Dr. David Stotts (project leader, Computer Science) are investigating common software development frameworks that will allow researchers from many different science areas, as well as different locations, to be involved in common developmental projects. Hemminger's focus is on analyzing scientist's data and scholarly communication needs, and the evaluation of metadata and standards needed to support common software development frameworks.

The Center's Biostatistics project is led by the CEBRC principal investigator, Fred Wright, associate professor of biostatistics. The project is responsible for developing new statistical methods and performing analyses for the computational toxicology community.

Alex Tropsha, professor of Pharmacy, heads the ChemInformatics project, which will coordinate the compilation of data from relevant external chem-informatics databases and perform data mining to investigate Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationships.

As one of only two such research centers funded by the EPA in the nation, the CEBRC is a unique collaboration including members from UNC's Schools of Public Health, Medicine, Pharmacy, Information and Library Science and the College of Arts and Sciences. Those involved with the new Center will work closely with the EPA's National Center for Computational Toxicology, located in RTP. □

Rare films come to life online

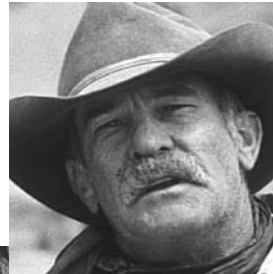
Once confined to dusty film canisters and dark library shelves, some rare American films are seeing new life through a joint project between three University of North Carolina organizations and Folkstreams, Inc. The groups have collaborated to create folkstreams.net, a video streaming Web site built as a national preserve of documentary films about American folk and roots culture.

The hard-to-find films now made available through folkstreams.net represent some of the most significant and artistic documentaries of the 20th century, and they give voice to the arts and experiences of diverse American groups. They are accompanied on the Web site by background materials that provide context to both the films and their subjects. The films are protected by copyright, but use of the site is free.

"Heretofore, much good independent film work was like the tree falling in the wilderness with no one to hear," said Tom Davenport, Folkstreams project director and independent filmmaker. "With the Internet and video streaming, we will be able to make a 'national park' from this wilderness where everyone can come

and freely hear and see what we have labored on for so long and with such enjoyment."

Viewers can now find films like *Cowboy Poets*, representing three aspects



of the cowboy-poetry tradition; *Give My Poor Heart Ease*, a 1975 account of the blues experience through the recollections and performances of B.B. King, James "Son" Thomas, Shelby "Poppa Jazz" Brown, James "Blood" Shelby, Cleveland "Broom Man" Jones, and inmates from Parchman prison; and *The Angel That Stands By Me: Minnie Evans' Paintings*, a portrait of

African-American visionary artist Minnie Evans and others that have won film festival awards and critical acclaim.

Folkstreams.net currently streams 55 films by some of America's best-known independent documentary filmmakers, including Les Blank, John Cohen, Tom Davenport, William Ferris, Paul Wagner, Michal Goldman and Susan Levitas.

UNC's School of Information and Library Science, the Southern Folklife Collection and ibiblio.org partnered with Folkstreams, Inc. to create folkstreams.net. ibiblio.org is a free public library of digital material that provides server space and digital streams for Folkstreams.net. The Southern

Folklife Collection maintains the film and tape archives.

The project has been supported through a \$95,000 National Leadership Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services since October 2004. Folkstreams.net also receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities. □

Henderson lecture reveals "books, bytes and bugs"



Trends in health care and health information that provide new opportunities for partnerships between information and library sciences and those in public health, were key topics of the 2005 Henderson Lecture, entitled, "Books, Bytes and Bugs." Dr. Barbara K. Rimer, dean of the School of Public Health, discussed patients and the public within an information rich environment.

Rimer discussed the importance of integrating information and library sciences and public health; sources people use when seeking health information; health communication in the information environment; the role the Internet plays in health information; and the challenges of organizing, integrating and analyzing large amounts of public health data.

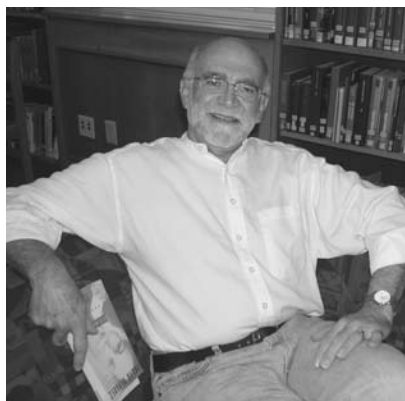
Health information and communication challenges facing physicians and other health providers were also discussed. Rimer said that physicians and those in the health field are inundated with information that must be organized, and accessible when it is needed. She

added that public health practitioners often work in computer-poor environments and although they need information they may lack access. Rimer noted that while the right information is needed, people often receive too much information. "People are bombarded with health information each day and they need help making sense of it all," said Rimer. "Online support is one way people cope."

Rimer discussed possible areas of collaboration between SILS and the School of Public Health, suggesting a move forward to reinvigorate a cross-university health informatics program with a teaching and research focus (in process).

The annual Henderson Lecture was established in 1990 to honor the memory of Lucile Kelling Henderson, faculty member (1932-1960) and dean (1954-1960) of what was then known as the School of Library Science. Previous lecturers include Dr. Fred Kilgour, a Distinguished Research Professor in the SILS and founder of OCLC the Online Computer Library Center; and Dr. Herbert Van de Sompel, team leader of the Digital Library Research and Prototyping Team at the Research Library of the Los Alamos National Laboratory. □

When communities read . . .



A staunch proponent of library-centered reading groups, Dr. David Carr, SILS associate professor, is leading training sessions focused on facilitating group discussions for "Durham Reads Together," a program designed to assist in providing the Durham community and public schools with books, services and other resources that inform, inspire learning, cultivate understanding and excite the imagination.

A member of the "Durham Reads Together" Steering Committee, Carr has also worked with community-wide reading projects in Forsyth and Wake counties in North Caro-

lina, as well as other local communities. He currently convenes the Carrboreaders Reading Group in Carrboro, and recently moderated that community's three Community Book Forums. In addition, community reading was the theme of his recent presentations in Fredericksburg, Va and at Duke University.

Developing community through reading is a topic close to Carr's heart. His involvement and professional interests are the basis of his current research project, "When Communities Read." He demonstrates his enthusiasm for reading by sharing his expertise with communities far and wide.

"My participation in these sessions is always exciting," said Carr. "When people have read something strong and enriching — when they have read with their hearts open — it enhances the experience if they can come together in an intimate forum to talk. Toni Morrison says that reading should have a 'talking life,' communication with others that follows the solitary experience. When communities read, they are learning lessons together that continuously connect them to each other." □

Almost eight marathons!

It was an uphill battle for Scott Adams, technology director at SILS, as he took on the 200-mile-long Blue Ridge Parkway in memory of friend Jay Clark, who died of cancer last spring. Despite turbulent weather and strained tendons, Adams pushed on with friend and fellow SILS graduate Les Chaffin (MSLS '98), who biked along next to him, in hopes of raising awareness and money for cancer research.

While Adams focused on the trail, he never lost sight of the true cause: "Any pain that we endured during the run wouldn't even come close to the pain that Jay endured while battling cancer," Adams said.



Photo by Kristin Chaffin and Mindy Adams

The athletes decided to undertake the difficult run after Clark, a lifelong friend of Chaffin's, lost his five year battle with cancer. Friends and colleagues also urged him on and demonstrated their support by contributing to the funds set in Clark's name. The run raised nearly \$7,000.

"Though the 200 mile run was a life event for me personally, I am even more convinced that we are a team when faced with challenges bigger than ourselves," said Adams. "We accomplish nothing without the care, love and tolerance of those around us. Les and I have been overwhelmed by the honor paid to Jay (Clark) through support, sharing of stories and prayers for success. We are very thankful for all the help we have received and the encouragement we continue to receive." □

Paul Jones judges world's first Blooker Prize

Paul Jones, clinical associate professor at SILS and director of the ibiblio online library and archive, will serve as judge for a newly created annual award for bloggers-turned-published authors. Lulu.com has set up the Blooker Prize for authors who began their writing as blogs and have turned them into fiction, non-fiction



Photo by Donald Sizemore

and comic "blooks" in print form.

Blooks are a new trend in literature and have been discussed as helping readers connect with authors through the use of episodic and short chapters. While some blooks digress from the traditional blog style using the blog only for a starting point, they have also been known to be collaborative efforts that have resulted from the feedback of blog audiences before being published.

Jones will join other prize judges to assess online books based on material first published on blogs and select the best for awards. More than 100 blooks have already been discussed as possible nominees. Joining Jones on the judging committee will be prominent net activist Cory Doctorow and Robin Miller, editor-in-chief of online technology publisher of the Open Source Technology Group.

The Blooker Prize will be awarded annually with small cash prizes for the winners from Lulu.com, the world's fastest-growing provider of print-on-demand books, including an increasing number of blooks. □

Tibbo honored for outstanding contributions



Dr. Helen Tibbo, professor at SILS, has been inducted as a fellow of the Society of American Archivists. The prestigious award was presented during a special awards ceremony at SAA's 69th Annual Meeting in New Orleans.

Fellow is the highest honor bestowed by SAA to members who demonstrate outstanding contributions to the archival profession.

"Dr. Tibbo has a strong commitment to and passion for archives and technological developments," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "She is a person of vision, collegiality and ethical practice who is committed to mentoring and developing the next generation of archivists. She is very deserving of this professional honor."

Tibbo is known globally for her work with archives and records management, information services for the humanities, electronic information retrieval and reference service. She has won several awards and recognitions for her achievements—including the School of Information and Library Science's 2000 Frances Carroll McColl Term Professorship.

Her current research projects include "Developing Standardized Metrics: Towards Understanding the Impact of College and University Archives and Special Collections on Scholarship, Teaching, and Learning," funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation; "Minds of Carolina," a project that is exploring how to best facilitate self-archiving at colleges and universities; and the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) Electronic Records Research Fellowship Program: Building Capacity Across the Profession. For the next two years she will be chairing UNC's Digital Curation/Institutional Repositories Committee that will plan and build a pilot digital repository for UNC at Chapel Hill. □

Grant funds research on digital library curriculum

The National Science Foundation has awarded a three-year grant of over a half million dollars to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) to develop a digital library curriculum.

The project is entitled "Collaborative Research: Curriculum Development: Digital Libraries." The effort at SILS will be led by Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, principal investigator and Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor, and Dr. Jeffrey P. Pomerantz, co-principal investigator and assistant professor, and Virginia Tech's effort will be led by Dr. Edward A. Fox, principal investigator and professor of computer science.

"The research will focus on developing

and field testing individual lessons/modules that can be incorporated within courses or used to support an entire course," said Wildemuth. "With the assistance of our Advisory Board, students in doctoral consortia and other

experts, we will design, implement and field test the modules."

"Programs in computer science, as well as information and library science, at any institution with interest in digital libraries, may draw upon the project deliverables to enhance existing courses, add digital library (or related) courses or even deploy a digital library

curriculum," said Fox. "Digital library users will thus benefit from the improved understanding of those who build the next generation of digital library systems," he added. □



From left to right, Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, UNC at Chapel Hill; Dr. Edward Fox, Virginia Tech; and Dr. Jeffrey Pomerantz, UNC at Chapel Hill.

Haas named McColl Term Professor



Dr. Stephanie W. Haas has been named Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor. She was selected for her contributions to research, teaching and service to SILS. She has previously been honored with the American Society for Information Science Outstanding Information Science Teacher of the Year Award in 1996, and the SILS Outstanding Teaching Award in 1997.

Haas teaches courses on databases, systems analysis, information models, organization of information, applications of natural language processing and information retrieval. Her current research seeks to create an integrated model of user access to and use of governmental statistical information (GovStat). Haas' research extends to the North Carolina Emergency Department Database (NCEDD), which makes hospital emergency department data available for public health surveillance. The Chief Complaint Vocabulary Project seeks to analyze the form and content of chief complaints made in hospital emergency rooms in an effort to develop a standardized vocabulary.

"We are able to award this additional professorship because of two generous donations of support for faculty retention from Bill and Sara McCoy and from Duncan Smith," said Dr. Jose-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "We are grateful for their continued support and generosity."

Hugh McColl, Jr. established the McColl Professorship in memory of his mother, Frances Carroll McColl, and sister, Frances McColl Covington. McColl said he was inspired by the school's needs and his mother's love of literature. "My mother taught everyone in the family to love books, and we have prospered from having access to them and, perhaps more important, knowing where to turn to find the information we need." □

The latest issue of *Library and Information Science Research* (vol 27 #3) included Assistant Professor **Dr. Deborah Barreau's** paper, "Integration of Information Professionals in the Newsroom: Two Organizational Models for Research Services." This paper is the result of her SLA grant project and suggests that librarians who are integrated as part of news teams are more valued and happier than those who are "pooled."

Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS, has served on the United States President's Information Technology Advisory Committee for the past two years. The committee released three reports including: "Report to the President on Computational Science: Ensuring America's Competitiveness," the "Report to the President on Cyber Security: A Crisis of Prioritization," and the "Report to the President on Revolutionizing Health Care Through Information Technology." The reports are available on the Web at: www.nitrd.gov/pitac/reports/index.html

"Accessing Government Statistical Information," an article by **Stephanie Haas, Gary Marchionini** and SILS doctoral student **Junliang Zhang** was recently published in *IEEE Computer*. The article is based on their work with the GovStat project and part of an *IEEE Computer* issue focusing on digital government.

Congratulations to **Shawn Jackson**, director of development, and her husband Morgan, who welcomed their first child Emsley Taylor Jackson on Oct. 25, 2005. Emsley was 10 pounds and 21.5 inches long.



Assistant Professor **Dr. Diane Kelly's** paper, "The loquacious user: A document-independent source of terms for query expansion" was presented at the Special Interest Group on Information Retrieval's 2005 Conference in Salvador, Brazil. Another of Kelly's papers, "Evaluating personal information management behaviors and tools" was published in the January issue of *Communications of the ACM*. Kelly has also been awarded the Eugene Garfield-ALISA Doctoral Dissertation Award for 2006. The title of her dissertation is, "Understanding implicit feedback and document preference: A naturalistic user study."

SILS welcomes new faculty and staff



Christopher (Cal) Lee joined the faculty at the School of Information and Library Science on July 1, 2005. Cal comes to SILS from the University of Michigan where he

received two outstanding teaching awards. He specializes in archives and records management, and he teaches "Introduction to Archives and Records Management."



Mark Winston, a noted leadership and diversity scholar, joined SILS faculty as an associate professor on January 1. Mark was previously at Rutgers University

where, for the last seven years, he has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in leadership, management and organizational behavior, knowledge creation and use and reference and information services.

Meg McKee has joined SILS staff as the student services assistant in the Dean's Office. She provides administrative support and greets visitors. Meg graduated from Wake Forest University in 2003, and after a short time as program coordinator at Boston University's School of Law she is excited to be back in the warmer weather.



Sarah Aerni has joined SILS as a research assistant and facilitator on projects under Dr. José-Marie Griffiths. A graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, she has a bachelor's degree in economics and a Master's in Library Science. Sarah works mostly from her home in Pittsburgh and plays ultimate Frisbee in her spare time.



Lara Bailey has been promoted to undergraduate student services manager. For the past two years Lara has been a familiar face at SILS. She works with undergraduate students in her new position.



SILS welcomes **Dr. Eva Ma Méndez Rodríguez**, a visiting Fulbright Scholar from the University Carlos III of Madrid where she has been teaching and researching since 1997. She holds a Ph.D. (cum laude) in Information Science from the same University, defending her thesis in the academic year 2001-2002, which was subsequently awarded a further prize as the outstanding thesis of the year in that field.





Greenberg appointed to DCMI Advisory Board and Working Group

Dr. Jane Greenberg, associate professor, has been appointed to the Advisory Board of the Dublin Core Metadata Initiative (DCMI). The Advisory Board is comprised of global experts in the field of metadata who advise the DCMI Directorate "on all technical and strategic issues that occur during the operation of the DCMI."

In addition to advising on specific DCMI activities, the Advisory Board also has an external role with the Dublin Core community and a range of global metadata initiatives.

"The DCMI has had a significant impact in the area of metadata development and improving access to digital resources," said Greenberg. "The DCMI is an exciting and important international initiative, spanning many disciplines and endeavors."

Greenberg was also appointed co-chair of the DCMI Tools Working Group, along with Thomas Severiens of the University of Osnabrueck, Germany. The Working Group provides a forum for those who develop metadata tools and individuals interested in using metadata applications. Severiens recently visited the SILS Metadata Research Center (MRC), where he and Greenberg began work on an application profile for describing functions and algorithms of metadata tools.

This year, in keeping with the international spirit of the DCMI, the MRC is hosting Professor Eva M^a Méndez Rodríguez from the Library and Information Sciences Department, University Carlos III of Madrid. Méndez served as Program Chair of the Dublin Core 2005 Conference in Madrid, Spain. She is a European Union Fulbright scholar and the MRC's first in-house international scholar. Greenberg and Méndez are collaborating on several projects including editing a book that addresses ways in which librarians, particularly those with cataloging and classification expertise, can contribute to the development of a more intelligent information infrastructure defined by the Semantic Web. □

Dr. Robert Losee's paper, "A Performance Model of the Length and Number of Subject Headings and Index Phrases" was published in *Knowledge Organization*. In the analysis, Losee provides guidelines for determining and assigning subject headings and index phrases. Losee's article entitled "Browsing mixed structured and unstructured data," was published in *Information Processing & Management*. The article features his work on the use of gray codes to produce optimal ordering for browsing.



Dr. Joanne Marshall, alumni distinguished professor, was awarded an honorary doctorate of letters from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. She received the degree based on her years of service to the field of library and information science. The honorary doctorate is the highest academic honor that McGill University can bestow, recognizing individuals who have made outstanding contributions in their fields.

Dr. Barbara B. Moran, professor, has been selected for a Fulbright Senior Specialists project at the Institute for Library and Information Studies at Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic. Moran will travel abroad in 2006 through the Fulbright Senior Specialists Program. The program, created in 2000 to complement the traditional Fulbright Scholar Program, provides short-term academic opportunities to prominent U.S. faculty and professionals to support curricular and faculty development and institutional planning at post secondary, academic institutions around the world.



Assistant Professor **Dr. Jeffrey Pomerantz** served on his first National Science Foundation review panel last summer. His paper entitled, "A Linguistic Analysis of Question Taxonomies" was published in the April edition of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*. In addition, Dr. Pomerantz was awarded the 2006 OCLC/ALISE Library and Information Science Research Grant for his project, "The Return on Investment of Collaborative Virtual Reference Service."

Drs. Jeffrey Pomerantz and Diane Kelly, assistant professors, have each received a UNC Junior Faculty Development Award. Pomerantz will be using the award funding to launch a project to multi-state evaluation of statewide virtual reference services. The purpose of Kelly's project is to evaluate a novel information seeking environment that could impact the ways in which information is located on the Web.

Congratulations to **Dr. Brian Sturm**, associate professor, and his wife Monica, who welcomed their first child, Nicholas Atherton Sanchez Sturm on November 11, at 8:58 p.m. He weighed 6lb. 15oz. and measured 51cm.



Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor, was featured on a Webcast conducted on LiS Interactive Webcasting from the University of Missouri. The February 16 interview focused on the topic of "Studying Online Search Behaviors" and included discussion with Dr. Carol Barry from Louisiana State University.

\$150,000 gift from Microsoft

Drs. Gary Marchionini, Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished professor; Paul Solomon, associate professor and associate dean; and Cathy Blake, assistant professor of the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) have been awarded a second \$150,000 research gift from the Microsoft Corporation. The gift is intended to continue their research on how people annotate structured information.

Annotations are notes added to text, databases and other media—often included in documents to help explain or comment on specific information. The study will focus on how people make annotations in various structured electronic objects, with an eye toward developing better tools to support digital annotation.

The team of faculty and SILS graduate students have been investigating how annotations are made and add value to statistical data sets, online library catalogs, blogs, genetic databases, maps and musical scores.

“Our results to date demonstrate the importance of annotations for both retrieval and use of structured data and some ways that annotation facilities migrate from pa-

per-based to electronic information systems,” said Marchionini, principal investigator of the study. “This new gift will allow the team to extend its efforts to observe annotation in action and expand our efforts to video data annotation.”

The team will work with a selected group of people who are making annotations to structured data. Researchers will observe the participants using software in their workplaces, and then record how they make notes to themselves. Those participating in the study will be interviewed and observed over a one-year period to identify strategies and potential tools for annotating structured data.

Possible new structured data environments the team will investigate include video in digital form and Web-based forms such as tax returns and other government forms.

“Our work is motivated by SILS’ long-standing research on how people seek and use information in electronic forms,” said Marchionini. “Over time, we anticipate that the framework developed from the study may be used by software engineers to build more productive structured data environments.” □

David Goble named vice-chair/chair elect



David Goble (MSLS '94), dean of libraries at Central Piedmont Community College, has accepted the role of vice-chair/chair-

elect of the SILS’ Board of Visitors. He joins Sarah Snow, the current chair, as they work to advance the efforts and activities of the Board. Goble’s role is a four-year commitment with two years as vice-chair followed by two years as chair.

“I am thrilled to be appointed to the Board of Visitors and to continue serving SILS,” Goble said. “This appointment is particularly pleasing as I was introduced to the Board of Visitors as the president-elect of the Information and Library Science Student Association at the board’s inaugural meeting in 1993. Dr. Griffiths has brought a renewed sense of energy and initiative to SILS and I am honored to be a part of those efforts.”

Goble’s commitment to SILS has taken many forms. He served two terms as treasurer of the SILS Alumni Association and one term as president. Prior to accepting the appointment as vice chair-chair elect of the Board of Visitors, Goble served on the SILS Carolina First Campaign Committee. □

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SILS wishes to recognize the following individuals whose terms expire in June 2006 for their service to the School as members of its Board of Visitors. We are grateful for the years of support and advisement they provided.

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Jerry D. Campbell, a member of SILS Board of Visitors, and dean, chief information officer and university librarian of the University of Southern California, was

quoted in the November 4, 2005 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* in an article entitled, “Holocaust Stories Move to Academe.” The USC has acquired the Shoah Foundation’s repository of 52,000 testimonies of survivors and other witnesses to the Holocaust. The Shoah Foundation was founded by film director, Stephen Spielberg. The preservation of the archive is dedicated to scholarship in the humanities and social sciences. □

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WISE program offers options for students

New and unique online course opportunities abound for students pursuing degrees in the School of Information and Library Science. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is among 13 partner schools around the country that have turned to Web-based Information Science Education (WISE) to broaden opportunities for students at leading library and information science schools.

The WISE program allows students at SILS to take online courses at any of the other participating schools for credit towards their UNC degrees. By participating in a WISE course, students can choose from an extensive list of distance education opportunities. Participants are given greater

flexibility in scheduling, and they can work with other respected faculty around the country and have access to research that otherwise would be inaccessible.

"As a member of the WISE Consortium, SILS is engaged in an innovative online program in distance education for library and information science education," said Dr. Claudia Gollop, SILS associate dean. "SILS students not only receive the education they want when they need it, they also benefit from the diversity that is cultivated through their increased access to students

and professors outside of Chapel Hill."

Some of SILS students have enrolled in the new program and are taking classes in the School of Media Librarianship at Indiana

University at Indianapolis. The class "the School Library Media Center," is normally of-

fered at SILS, but was unavailable last semester. With permission from Professor Evelyn Daniel, the students had the opportunity to complete the course online.

"So far, the thing I have liked best about the program is the number of professional resources

Dr. Johnson (our professor) has exposed us to online and in print form," SILS and WISE student Emily Stitsinger said. "Most of these resources are housed on the class Web site, which will be accessible to us even after our coursework is completed."

Now in its second year, partner institutions of WISE include: Indiana University-Indianapolis, Rutgers University, Simmons College, Syracuse University, University of British Columbia, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Maryland, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Pittsburgh, University of Texas at Austin, University of Western Ontario, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Victoria University of Wellington. □



Dissertations and theses can now be submitted online



Members of the Electronic Theses and Dissertations committee include, from left to right: Brad Hemminger, Pat Mullin, Cheryl Thomas, Brandon Bouman, Timothy Shearer. Not pictured, Kathy Thomas and Elizabeth Evans.

The days of last minute trips to copy centers to print copies of master's theses and dissertations are drawing to a close. UNC's Graduate School has embraced a new initiative that allows students to submit their theses and dissertations electronically.

In previous years, graduate students submitting their dissertations or theses to the Graduate School were required to print two copies (three for theses) on expensive 100 percent cotton paper in order to graduate. They had to then hand-deliver their paperwork to the office in Bynum Hall, where staff would carefully review the physical print copies for adherence to format guidelines.

Beginning Spring 2006, this procedure will change. The Graduate School will allow students to submit their dissertations and theses electronically. The School plans to convert to completely electronic submissions in two years.

"Our goal was to make the submission of theses and dissertations as well as access to them completely electronic, and in the process to make things simpler

and less expensive," said Dr. Brad Hemminger, chairman of the campus Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD) committee, and a faculty member of the School of Information and Library Science.

Cheryl Thomas, Director of Graduate Admission and Enrollment Services at the Graduate School, believes this will have a positive impact on the Graduate School which processes almost all their theses and dissertations in the days before semester graduation deadlines. "To save students the money spent on copies, and the time spent traveling to Chapel Hill or waiting in line on the due date will be very helpful to everyone involved," she said.

For more information on ETDs at Carolina view the ETD Web pages at: <http://gradschool.unc.edu/etd/index.html> or contact the Graduate School. □

Students welcome ALA president-elect



Student organizers pose with Leslie Burger, president-elect of the American Library Association. From left to right, Michael Habib, Valerie Gillispie, Leslie Burger, Stefanie Warlick, Amanda Allgood and Rebecca Pappert.

Photo by Brad Burrow

Leslie Burger, president-elect of the American Library Association (ALA), was welcomed to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as the keynote speaker at the "Today's Leaders/Tomorrow's Libraries" lecture and panel discussion in November. The event provided students, faculty and staff of the School of Information and Library Science the opportunity to discuss how library schools prepare students for professional positions.

Burger's keynote lecture entitled, "Transforming Libraries for the 21st Century: A Call to Action," highlighted suggestions for current and future information professionals and the importance of membership and involvement in ALA. She advised on establishing libraries that reflect user interests and values, and creating a culture that allows staff to use their knowledge, skills and abilities to provide excellent service.

In addition, Burger listed the following tips for new professionals entering the workforce:

- Don't be afraid to take chances and be creative.
- Think strategically. Have a personal mission and respond to the needs of the community.
- Step outside of the box (as much as possible). Think critically about how to fundamentally change the way people view your library.
- Identify areas of excellence. Assess current policies and work with staff to make improvements.
- Create a team of people who share your vision. Change happens best in a collaborative way.
- Raise the profile of the library.

- Continually plug the library and contribute to efforts that will make your library the centerpiece of the organization it is operating in.
- Think about the library all of the time.
- Build partnerships with people who surround your organization and people within the organization to accomplish agendas.
- Communicate your message often and let people know that you are committed to your goals.
- Most importantly, believe that with energy, vision and passion everything is possible.
- Never give up.

The panel discussion, "Uniting Education and Practice: Preparing Students for Tomorrow's Workforce," featured Burger and panelists Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS at UNC at Chapel Hill; Dr. Irene Owens, dean of the School of Library and Information Science at North Carolina Central University; Rebecca Vargha, president-elect of the Special Libraries Association and UNC SILS librarian; and moderator Dr. David Carr, associate professor.

Panelists discussed preparation for entering the profession, noting that while new librarians are comfortable with the technical skills required by the job, it is in the "softer skills" such as management, leadership and strategic planning that they will need as well. Griffiths emphasized that the workplace is an opportunity to apply the theory that students gained in school, and encouraged them to network with colleagues, talk with practitioners and assess organizational cultures. Burger highlighted the necessity to know the organization that you are working for and understand what leaders

Homeless shelter's lending library an award-winning hit!

The lending library created by SILS students for a local homeless shelter is not only a hit with the children and mothers living there, the student project also captured the attention of the Special Libraries Association (SLA), an international organization that represents information professionals.

SILS students **Cindy McCracken, Meg McGinn, Shauna Griffin** and **Kristen Boekelheide** were awarded first place in Outstanding Leadership by a Student Group for their work establishing the library at Homestart, a homeless shelter for women and children in Chapel Hill. They also took the Certificate of Merit for third place in Innovative Programming by a Student Group.

"The lending library project created by SILS students of the student chapter of the SLA is a stellar example of teamwork across the state of North Carolina," said Rebecca Vargha, SILS librarian and student advisor. "Our students are leading the way in making a difference in the community. The new lending library will open doors to many possibilities for families at Homestart." □



Students prepare and organize books for the library. From left to right, Meg McGinn, Kristen Boekelheide, Cindy McCracken and Shauna Griffin.

are looking for in a professional. All panelists participated in the lively discussion.

The successful event gave future professionals the opportunity to hear the advice of four leaders within library and information science, who all emphasized the social roles that libraries play and the importance of research. □

SILS Commencement

The School of Information and Library Science celebrated the graduation of 98 students who received their doctoral, masters' and bachelors' degrees on May 15, 2005. The commencement ceremony featured special guest speaker Paul Horn, senior vice-president and director of IBM Research, who presented, "Beyond Technotoys and Hype: What Will

Really Succeed the Industrial Age." He spoke about advancements in technology, the most significant changes ahead of us, and what those changes will likely mean for the generation inheriting and shaping them.

Several awards were presented during the ceremony including the Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, presented to Dr. Jerry D.

Saye, and the Distinguished Alumni Award received by Larry Alford. The Dean's Achievement Awards were presented to Rebecca Kemp and Susan Teague Rector by Drs. Stephanie Haas and Robert Losee. Christie Lynne McDaniel and Marisa Ramirez received the Outstanding Service to the School Awards from Amy Gresko, current president, SILS Alumni Association.



The graduating class of 2005 joins school faculty for a portrait outside Manning Hall.

Spring 2005 SILS Graduates

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Dr. Jerry D. Saye receives the SILS Outstanding Teaching Award from Dr. Deborah Barreau, last year's recipient.

Dr. Jerry D. Saye receives Outstanding Teaching Award

Dr. Jerry D. Saye received the Outstanding Teaching Award from the School of Information and Library Science. The award recognizes excellence in teaching, commitment to students and innovation and effectiveness in teaching.

A member of the SILS faculty since 1985, Dr. Saye specializes in organization of information, history of books and libraries, cataloging and classification, abstracting and indexing, technical services and metadata. A respected scholar and teacher, he routinely receives rave reviews from both students and peers.

"Dr. Saye has been one of the most personable, engaging and enthusiastic professors with whom I have ever had the opportunity to interact," wrote one student. "He consistently shows his dedication to teaching in the field of library science, teaching multiple courses most semesters to ensure that students have ample opportunities to take courses relevant to their fields."

Dr. Saye's "commitment, dedication and enthusiasm are unquestionable and unwavering," said Deborah Barreau, who received the award in 2004. "It is a tribute to his teaching excellence that he has been nominated for this award so often and is, in fact, a past recipient." □

Larry Alford selected for Distinguished Alumni Award

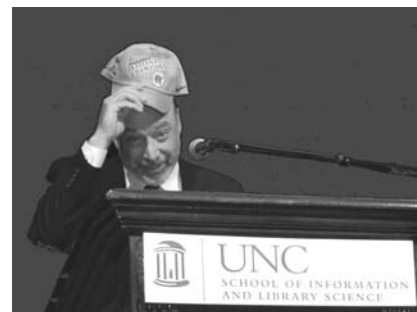


The School of Information and Library Science Alumni Association selected Larry Alford to receive the 2005 Distinguished Alumni Award. The award was presented at the school's commencement ceremony on May 15, 2005.

Alford (MSLS '77) was the former deputy university librarian at UNC at Chapel Hill before accepting the position of vice provost for libraries and university librarian at Temple University.

Alford served at UNC for 30 years, starting as a circulation librarian in the 1970s. He helped define standards for using barcodes to circulate materials with the online catalog development project. Later, Alford served as project manager for the construction of Davis Library and the renovation of Wilson Library. Among his many accomplishments, he also oversaw the renovation of the Robert B. House Undergraduate Library.

"We are proud to present this award to Larry, who is nationally recognized as a leader in the field of library science," said Mary Horton, immediate past president of the SILS Alumni Association. □



Paul Horn, senior vice-president and director of IBM Research, tips his Tar Heel cap to the class of 2005 during his commencement address.



Alumni Association president, Amy Gresko, presents the awards for Outstanding Service to the School to Marisa Ramirez (pictured left) and to Christie Lynne McDaniel (above).



Student Notes



Master's student **Chelcy Boyer** was awarded the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation Research Grant

to study class and political issues of presidential libraries. Her findings are the basis of her master's thesis.



Abe Crystal, doctoral student at SILS received the "Doctoral Students to

ALISE Award." He is one of only two students selected to receive the competitive award for the international conference which provides for lodging and complimentary registration for the ALISE annual conference.

Meredith R. Evans, a Ph.D. student, is the new curator of Printed Materials in



the Archives & Special Collections department of Robert W. Woodruff Library in the Atlanta University Center.

A program to fund training for librarians in environmental bioinformatics has been created through the recently established Carolina Environmental Bioinformatics Research Center (CEBRC). The first fellowship from the program was awarded to **Lara Handler**, a first year master's student in library science at SILS.

Emily Horner recently saw her article, "Kamishibai as Propaganda in Wartime Japan," published in the prestigious *Storytelling, Self, Society: an interdisciplinary journal of storytelling studies*.



SILS masters' students, **Monica McCormick** and **Phil Binkowski** were awarded the Elfreda Chatman Award by SILS Alumni Association. McCormick won for her paper "Institutional Repositories and Author Self-Archiving: Does Knowledge Matter?" and Binkowski was awarded for "Tag-based bookmarks—Better or Worse?"



Rebecca Miller, a master's student at SILS, received the Baker Taylor Scholarship Grant for 2006. This award will allow Miller to attend a two-week seminar at Oxford University in England this summer.

The following Ph.D. students have successfully defended their dissertations: **Ron Bergquist**, **Meredith Evans**, **Bin Li**, **Andrew May**, **Megan Oakleaf** and **Meng Yang**. Congratulations!

Ph.D. student, **Carol Perryman** received a first place award for her paper "Information Behaviors in an Online Smoking Cessation Community" at the 2005 MLA Annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Since arriving at SILS last year, Perryman has been working with Duke and UNC Health Services Libraries on projects related to consumer health information and evidence based librarianship.

Master's students **Ashley Brown**, **Sally Quiroz**, and **Cassidy Sugimoto** have been inducted into the Frank Porter Graham Honor Society that recognizes outstanding service provided to the university and community by graduate and professional students enrolled at UNC at Chapel Hill.

Students win interactionary design competition



World Usability Day

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Four SILS students were awarded for their on-the-spot creativity, as they designed a DVD remote control unit usable for arthritic and farsighted users.

Anuj Sharma, **Sam Kome**, **Sayan Chakraborty** and **Ric Simmons** represented the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as they competed against a team from the North Carolina State University during the World Usability Day Interactionary Design Competition. The teams were not given the task beforehand and had only 20 minutes to create their prototype. Five judges, including SILS Professor Dr. Gary Marchionini, evaluated the projects based on teamwork,

process, final design and user perspective.

"The Interactionary was great fun and I think we all learned a lot from the judges," said Kome. "The competition is more about process than product - in 20 minutes no one can complete a radical new design. The team worked well together, used user-centered design principles and had lots of practice."

World Usability Day is held annually in more than 70 cities in 30 countries to promote easy-to-use technology. Its goal is to emphasize the value of usability engineering, user-centered design and individual user's responsibility to ask for things to work better.

This year, activities that highlighted the importance of these goals focusing on e-government, e-commerce and other commercial applications, took place around the world on Nov. 3.

"Most people don't realize that there are schools and companies dedicated to making things easier to use," said Abe Crystal, SILS doctoral student and Usability Day attendee. "World Usability Day will help usability specialists and researchers gain the prominence they need to really make a difference."

Locally, activities were hosted by the Triangle User Experience Group and were held at MCNC, a non-profit organization that is



Photo by Cindy McCracken

Interactionary Design Team from left: Anuj Sharma, Sam Kome, Sayan Chakraborty and Ric Simmons

committed to advancing education, innovation and economic development throughout North Carolina by delivering next-generation information technology services. □

Profile: Dr. Lokman Meho



Born in Beirut in 1968, Lokman Meho's journey to assistant professor has been a long one, with exploration and obstacles along the way. Meho, who currently works for the School of Library and Information Science at Indiana University, was more fortunate than his parents. He was able to attend public school and ultimately receive a full scholarship to attend the American University of Beirut where in 1991 he earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science.

His interest in books began at an early age, but it was a comment he read that inspired Meho's interest in libraries and research. After reading that literature on Kurds was scarce, Meho "became curious whether this was a fact or just a lack of knowledge on the part of the author," he said. This curiosity led Meho to pursue a job at the UAB's library (Jafet) where he gained experience in retrieving, filtering and organizing information. "Recognizing the significance and value of access to information in research, I decided to compile and publish as many annotated bibliographies on Kurds and Kurdistan as possible," Meho said.

The librarians at Jafet encouraged Meho to pursue a Master's in Library Science in the U.S. and after attempts to secure funding on his own, his father decided to sell his car to give Meho the opportunity to study abroad. Through this generous sacrifice, Meho began his U.S. studies with a MLS degree from North Carolina Central University. He ended up in the Ph.D. program at UNC's School of Information and Library Science with assistance from his financial sponsor and mentor, NCCU Assistant Dean Duane Bogenschneider. While studying in Chapel Hill, Meho continued to teach and research with the support and encouragement of SILS faculty. He success-

fully defended his dissertation and received his Ph.D. in November 2001.

Since he began researching, Meho has remained dedicated to his initial goals, publishing three bibliographies, which contain more than 800 books and articles about Kurds and Kurdistan. In addition, Meho's interest in issues of libraries and censorship in the Arab world have led to his publication of two other annotated bibliographies.

Meho's accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. He recently won the OCLC/ALISE 2006 Library and Information Science Research Grant with fellow SILS graduate, Kiduk Yang (MSLS '02). They were awarded for their project "Citation Analysis of Library and Information Science Faculty Publications: ISI Databases and Beyond," Meho's first research grant.

"Our ultimate goal is to build a system that will help scholars and librarians worldwide conduct a new line of bibliometrics research in much more efficient and effective ways," Meho said. "The system will significantly cut short the time required to collect citation data from multiple sources while at the same time help conduct more rigorous and advanced citation analysis studies."

Meho was also the recipient of ALISE's 2005 Bohdan S. Wynar Research Paper competition with Kristina Spurgin (current SILS Ph.D. student) for their paper, "Ranking the Research Productivity of LIS Faculty and Schools: An Evaluation of Data Sources and Research Methods." He was recognized as an outstanding teacher with the 2006 Trustees Award from SLIS at Indiana University, which is given to faculty with outstanding commitment to student development.

Colleagues note that Meho's door is always open; he has even arranged to meet and work with students completing online search projects on weekends. In course evaluations students consistently give Meho high marks for enthusiasm and availability. They comment on his willingness to seek them out in the library or laboratory to see how their work is progressing. This commitment to seeing education as part of the whole of life is also evident in his establishing an informal listserv for SLIS students to communicate about professional and social matters. □

Graduate recognized for superior writing



Craig Breaden, a 2005 master's graduate from SILS, has been awarded the Theodore Calvin Pease Award by the Society of American Archivists.

Recognized for his outstanding achievement in writing as a student of archival administration, Breaden's paper "Sound Practices: Online Audio Exhibits and the Cultural Heritage Archive" won for its innovation, scholarship, pertinence and clarity. Breaden is one of five SILS alumni that have won the Pease Award since its inception in 1997.

"The paper examines how cultural heritage archives deliver, or 'exhibit' audio on the Web," Breaden noted. "In order to answer some basic questions about the archives, I created a matrix to use as a measuring tool to profile 25 Web sites."

"It makes me want to write better," Breaden said. "Receiving the award in front of my peers in New Orleans last month was exciting, and having the paper published in the *American Archivist* next year is a great reward."

Since winning the award, Breaden has gone on to complete a second exhibition Web site for the Southern Folklife Collection entitled "Fiddler's Grove Retrospective, 1970-2000," which followed his December launch of "Hillbilly Music: Source and Symbol." Breaden is currently working at North Carolina State University on a photo digitization project.

"Winning has focused my plans and reminded me of my original goal when I started at SILS. I am now more committed to working with archival media and enabling users to access audio and video," Breaden acknowledged. □

Mary Boone named North Carolina's State Librarian



Mary Boone (MSLS '73), SILS alumna and recipient of the 2003 SILS' Distinguished Alumni Award, has been named North Carolina's state librarian.

Secretary Lisbeth C. Evans of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources announced the appointment which went into effect November 15, 2005.

A native of North Carolina, Boone was director of the Chapel Hill Public Library from 1978 to 1985 and was a founding member of the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association. Since 1985 she has been a foreign service library/information resource officer with

the United States Information Agency and the U.S. Department of State, with service in Asia, the Middle East, Europe, and Washington, DC. Her assignments included serving as the director of the Department of State's extensive international library program from 1999 to 2002, and overseeing the planning and establishment of the Jefferson Information Center, a new Department of State initiative incorporating its existing library and a new research service, from 2002 to 2005.

"We're delighted that one of our distinguished alums is returning to North Carolina at this critical time when libraries are facing many challenging issues," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean, School of Information and Library Science. "We welcome Mary back to North Carolina and wish her the best with her new appointment." □

N.C. State Representative visits with SILS students



State Representative Alice Bordsen (MSLS '83), spoke with students in Ron Bergquist's "Seminar in Public Libraries" class on Monday, February 20. In the photo above, Representative Bordsen answers questions from MSLS student Halley Hall.

Alumni board stays busy with activities



Alumni Association
**President's
Message**
By Amy Gresko

Since the last edition of the newsletter, the SILS Alumni Association Board has stayed quite busy. May's commencement ceremony marked the end of another successful academic year. SILSAA was pleased to present Larry Alford with a Distinguished Alumni award. Larry is currently the vice provost for libraries and university librarian at Samuel Paley Library. We also presented Christie McDaniel and Marisa Ramirez with Outstanding Service to the School awards. As always, we hosted a reception with cake and punch after the ceremony.

Over the summer we held elections for the offices of secretary and vice president/president-elect. Kelley Lawton and Andy Ingham, respectively, had served their terms and we thank them for their hard work over the past few years. We welcomed new secretary Charles Cobine and the new vice president Mark Sanders at our annual fall planning retreat. They have been wonderful

additions to the Board.

During the first week of classes last fall, SILSAA hosted its traditional New Student Reception in Manning Hall. Despite the hot and humid weather, we had an overwhelmingly high turnout. A fine time was had by all, and we were pleased to award two graduate and one undergraduate students with Elfreda Chatman Book Awards, thanks to your generous contributions.

We participated in the planning for December graduation ceremonies and are beginning to discuss ideas for an alumni reunion sometime during the next academic year – stay tuned! In order to help us keep you informed of our activities, I encourage you to verify your subscription to the sils-alumni listserv, and join if you are not a current subscriber. The traffic is extremely light and the list provides an invaluable communication tool. Visit <http://listserv.unc.edu/> select "search for lists" on the right-hand side of the screen and search for "sils" or "alumni" (a more directed search, unfortunately, is not possible). Find the "sils-alumni" list in the retrieval set and chose to visit or subscribe to the list. You may also keep up with our activities by visiting our Web site at: <http://ils.unc.edu/alumni/> □

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Elise Allison (MSLS '05) has won the Gene Williams award from the Society of North Carolina Archivists for the best paper on an archival topic written for a graduate-level course.

Aletha Andrew (MSLS '00) and **Sukey Stephens Harper** (MSLS '00) of the Seymour Johnson Air Force Base Library in Goldsboro, N.C., are celebrating their library's selection as the best library program in the United States Air Force. Dr. Andrew is the reference librarian at the base library, and Ms. Stephens Harper is the director there. The base library supports the missions of the 4th Fighter Wing by providing mission-essential information, academic support and programming enhancing the quality of life for Airmen and their families.

Stuart Basefsky (MSLS '79) was awarded the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship for 2005. Basefsky is an information specialist and lecturer at the Martin P. Catherwood Library, School of Industrial & Labor Relations (ILR), Cornell University and director of the IWS News Bureau of the Institute for Workplace Studies (IWS) in the New York City Office of the ILR School.

Kristen Bullard (MSLS '03) became the instructional services coordinator at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville on July 1. She was previously the instruction librarian at the University of Houston.

Greg Crawford (MSLS '84) has been promoted to librarian at the Pennsylvania State University and on July 1 was named director of the Penn State Harrisburg Library.

Loudres Cueva Chacon (MSIS '05) was recently hired as a user interface designer at Lulu.com.

Sue Erickson (MSLS '00) was named acting head of Reference for the Central Library at Vanderbilt University. Sue has been bibliographer for Anthropology & Society at the school for five years.

Mary Gabehart (MSLS '05) has received the Pratt-Severn Best Student Research Paper Award offered by the American Society of Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T). The award was presented in Charlotte, N.C. during the awards ceremony of the annual international conference. Gabehart also presented her paper, which is titled, "An analysis of citations to retracted articles in the scientific literature."

Linda Greenblatt Esterling (MSLS '75) is a market research analyst for the N.C. Small Business and Technology Development Center and lives in Carrboro, N.C.

Robin Hollingsworth Wiliford (MSLS '99) and husband Joey welcomed their first child, Charles William, on Sunday, February 13, 2005. Robin has resigned from her position as director of the Sampson County Public Library System to become a stay-at-home mom to Charlie.

Reference librarian **Gerald Holmes** (MSLS '85) received the



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REMCO (Roundtable for Ethnic and Minority Concerns) Roadbuilders Award at the recent North Carolina Library Association meeting. The award recognizes ethnic minority librarians who have served as pioneers in librarianship and as positive role models.



Anthony Hughes (MISIS '03) and **Barbara Wildemuth** have published a chapter "Perspectives in the Tasks in which Information Behaviors Are Embedded" in the ASIS&T monograph: *Theories of Information Behavior*. The article covers important research and theories underlying information tasks and utilizes a prestigious list of contributors.

An article based on **Miriam Intrator's** (MSLS '03) award-winning master's paper "The Theresienstadt Ghetto Central Library, Books and Reading: Intellectual Resistance and Escape during the Holocaust," was published in the *2005 Year Book of the Leo Baeck Institute*. This work has also led to publication in *Libri*, and to a conference presentation in Israel this past September. Miriam is now looking at doctoral programs.

Lynn Jacobson (MSLS '98) has been promoted to head of cataloging at the Jacksonville Public Library, Jacksonville, Fla.

Wooseob Jeong (MSLS '97) received a Diversity Grant of \$2500 from the American Library Association's Office for Diversity. Jeong won the award for his research with the blind and visually impaired, with the goal of increasing their access to library services and resources, and the Web.

Caroline Keizer (MSLS '98) was named supervising cataloger of the North Carolina Collection at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Kristen Krause McDonough (MSLS '70) is the Robert and Joyce Menschel director of the New York Public Library Science, Industry



and Business Library (SIBL). The Checkpoint Charlie Foundation, which fosters collaboration between American and German institutions, named McDonough recipient of the first John Jacob Astor Award for "exceptional contribution to the transatlantic transfer of information. Her recent article, "Hosting strengths ties at home and abroad," *International Leads* (September 2005) profiles representative examples of SIBL's global reach.

Brian Kubis (BSIS '05), who double majored in information science and economics, has begun work at SunTrust Bank in the Research Triangle Area as a commercial banking associate.

Leslie Madden (MSLS '96), husband Bill and daughter Claudia, welcomed Julian Paul on Easter Sunday, April 11, 2004. Leslie is a reference librarian at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Corinne Mahoney (MSLS '05) received an award from the Special Libraries Association's Environmental Resources Management Division for her student paper "Doing More With Less and Liking It." In it Mahoney discussed the major challenges facing environmental libraries. She focused on the positive impact of these challenges, which has forced librarians

to be more creative with fewer resources.

Dr. Robert Martin (Ph.D. '88) has been appointed Lillian Bradshaw Endowed

Chair of Library Science at Texas Woman's University. Martin was nominated in 2001, by President George W. Bush as the first librarian director of the National Institute of Museum and Library Services. IMLS is a federal grant-making agency dedicated to helping the nation's 15,000 museums and 122,000 libraries serve their communities.

Elizabeth G. McClenney (MSLS '89) is the new associate director for Technology and Access Services at Robert W. Woodruff Library in the Atlanta University Center.

"Ranking the Research Productivity of Library and Information Science Faculty and Schools: An Evaluation of Data Sources and Research Methods" a paper by **Lokman Meho** (Ph.D. '01) and Ph.D. student **Kristina Spurgin**, was published in the April issue of the *Journal of American Society for Information Science and Technology*.

Xiangming Mu (Ph.D. '04) received grant support for his research project "Interactive Virtual Reference: Model, System, and Pilot User Study" from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The study will include developing an interactive virtual reference model in hopes of increasing patron usage of VR service and improving library patrons' search strategy formulation.

Joyce Ogburn (MSLS '82) became the director of the J. Willard Marriott Library at the University of Utah on September 1.

The NCSU Libraries has appointed **Darby C. Orcutt** as senior collection manager for Humanities and Social Sciences, effective March 1, 2006. Orcutt will lead the NCSU Libraries' collection

programs in all humanities and social sciences disciplines, with responsibility for planning, policy development, and budget management.

Irene Owens (Ph.D. '95) was appointed dean of the School of Library and Information Science at North Carolina Central University. Dr. Owens served at the University of Texas at Austin Graduate School



of Information for ten years. She is the former head librarian at Howard University School of Divinity.

Kimberly Poe Shelton (MSLS '99) gave birth to her son Alexander Chase Shelton on October 6, 2005.

Jo Powers (MSLS '04) is the assistant manager of cataloging and technical services at Talbot County Library in Easton, Md.

A revision of **Joe Ripp's** (MSLS '03) master's paper on Lord of the Rings, "Middle America Meets Middle Earth," has been published in *Book History*, the annual publication of the Society of Authorship, Reading and Publishing.

Chuck Thomas (MSLS '96) was appointed assistant director for Integrated Digital Services & Scholarly Communication at the Florida State University Libraries.

Rose Timmons Dawson (MSLS '85) is the new deputy director of the Alexandria Library system in Alexandria, Va. She formerly worked for the D.C. Public



Library as their coordinator of Community Youth Services.

K.T. Vaughan (MSLS '01) has a new appointment as a clinical assistant professor in the UNC at Chapel Hill's School of Pharmacy in addition to her primary position as the librarian for Bioinformatics & Pharmacy at the UNC Health Sciences Library. K.T. also received the 2005 James M. Cretsos



Leadership Award from ASIST, and is expecting publication of her second book,

Building Bridges: Collaboration Within and Beyond the Academic Library (with Anne Langley and Teddy Gray of Duke).

Linwood Webster (MSLS '02) was awarded the 2005 Minor Mickel-Shaw Excellence in Advising Award, which recognizes excellence in advising and is presented annually to advisors in Carolina's Academic Advising Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences and the General College.

Emily Weiss (MSLS '05) has joined Connecticut's Darien Library as the first Louise



Parker Berry fellow. Her fellowship includes working two years with library director Louise Berry as her mentor on a series of projects.

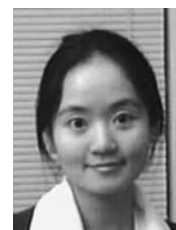
Kiduk Yang (MSLS '02) and **Lokman Meho** (Ph.D. '01) received the OCLC/ALISE 2006 Library and Information Science Research Award. They were



awarded for their project "Citation Analysis of Library and Information Science Faculty Publications: ISI Databases and Beyond."

Meng Yang

(Ph.D. '05) is currently working at IBM Lotus Software Group, as a usability specialist. Meng plans on staying in the



Research Triangle Park area until the end of the year and then plans on moving to an IBM branch in the Boston area.

Jessica Zellers (MSLS '05) and **Rita Bhattacharyya** (MSLS '05) have both been hired at the Blackwater Regional Library in Courtland, Va. Zellers is the customer services coordinator and Bhattacharyya serves as manager of the Smithfield branch.

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Former SILS Professor Dies after Long Scholarly Career



Former School of Information and Library Science professor and well-known scholar, Haynes McMullen, 90, died on Aug. 30 at Houston Medical Center. McMullen was an avid researcher who collected a vast database of information about pre-1876 libraries during his 40-year professorship with the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

A productive scholar long after he retired in 1985 at the age of 70, McMullen's last book, *American Libraries before 1876*, was published in 2001. McMullen was one of the most respected library historians in the profession and he will be remembered by SILS staff for his welcoming attitude.

"I never saw him without a smile on his face," SILS Professor and former Dean Barbara Moran, noted. "Haynes was a wonderful scholar and a true gentleman. All of the faculty and students loved him."

The research that McMullen compiled while working at SILS has now been made available online through Princeton University. It has been described by the American Libraries Association as a "rich source of material . . . that anybody interested in the history of public libraries certainly needs to be aware of."

McMullen's career included a 20-year faculty position at Indiana University's Library School, before he moved to UNC. He was also formerly the head librarian at what is now James Madison University.

Born in Tarkio, Mo., McMullen received his undergraduate education at Centre College in Danville, Ky., his Master's of Science in Library Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and his doctoral degree in Library Science at The University of Chicago, Ill.

McMullen is survived by his wife, Sun Hauk McMullen of Centerville, Ga.; a son, Joel McMullen of Centerville, Ga.; a step-daughter, Sun Ae Arinaga of Honolulu, Hi; a sister, Catherine G. Craig of Modena, N.Y.; a brother, Bryce McMullen of Baltimore, Md.; three grandchildren and one great-grand child. □



IN MEMORIAM

Former director at UNC Chapel Hill's Music Library from 1984-1997, **Ida M. Reed**, passed away on Oct. 9, 2005 after a 13 year battle with cancer. She was 63. Reed taught the music librarianship course at SILS for many years before retiring and has been described as a wonderful and caring colleague. Reed's scholarship was also far-reaching. In 1997, she edited the fifth edition of "Music Reference and Research Materials," which has become a prominent work in the field. Reed was known for her love of books, quilting and baking. She is survived by her brothers, George McAliley, Charley McAliley and Sammy Army of North Carolina.

Known to everyone at SILS as Miss Freeman, former assistant to the dean and lecturer **Jean Freeman** died peacefully on October 27 at Springmoor Retirement Community. She was 93 years old. Freeman had degrees from both UNC Greensboro and Chapel Hill. She made numerous contributions to the Library School and will be remembered for her dedication to the profession and continued involvement with the school even after her retirement in the late 1970s. Freeman is survived by nephew, Richard Allen Freeman Jr. of Raleigh; nieces Elizabeth Warner Freeman Gephart of Raleigh, and Emily Carson Freeman of Emerald Isle; three great nieces; eight great nephews; four great-great nieces and eight great-great nephews.

Sam W. Hitt, librarian emeritus at UNC Chapel Hill's Health Sciences Library, died at home on Dec. 11, 2005. He was 84. Hitt was a leader in the health sciences profession, serving in Texas and Connecticut before coming to Chapel Hill as library director from 1976-1986. He served on the Medical Library Association's (MLA) Board of Directors from 1970-1976 and was given highest honors for his expansion of library buildings, collections and services with MLA's Marcia Noyes Award in 1982. He grew up in Arkansas, served in WWII and attended school at the University of Missouri and Emory University. He is survived by his four children and their families, a brother and a sister. Hitt's wife Harriett predeceased him.

Jessica Graham Dalton (BSLS '48) June 20, 2005

Dixie Lou Lyons Fisher (CLIB '50) Oct. 31, 2005

Sarah Fore Gaines (MSLS '83) Dec. 5, 2005

Priscilla Griffey Harpham (BSLS'44) Sept. 4, 2005

Lesley Brown Levine (MSLS '68) Oct. 16, 2005

Lucy Elizabeth McDavid (MSLS '62) Nov. 29, 2005

Adriana Pannevis Orr (MSLS '58) Ma 24, 2005

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