Dean Griffiths named to National Science Board

Internationally acclaimed policy expert, researcher and university administrator, Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, was nominated by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the United States Senate to serve on the U.S. National Science Board.

Griffiths is the dean of the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and founding chair of The Knowledge TrustSM, which is concerned with the role and preparation of 21st-century knowledge professionals.

Griffiths has held two previous presidential appointments, one to the President’s Information Technology Advisory Committee from 2003 to 2005, and the other to the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science from 1996 to 2002. Griffiths also has served on blue-ribbon panels and committees for agencies including the National Academy of Sciences, NASA, Department of Energy, U.S. Geological Survey and the U.S. Navy.

“José-Marie Griffiths has impressive credentials in science and technology and a broad range of experiences,” said Chancellor James Moeser. “She is a perfect candidate for this prestigious national appointment, and we are proud that her significant talents have been recognized.”

The 24 member board advises the President and Congress on issues of national science and engineering policy, and is the governing board of the National Science Foundation (NSF). The term of membership to the National Science Board is six years.

The National Science Board was established by Congress in 1950 as an independent policy making body. It was created “to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity and welfare; to secure the national defense.” The Board oversees the policies of the NSF, an

Join us for a grand celebration!

Illuminating the Past, Imagining the Future!

The School of Information and Library Science will launch its 75th anniversary on Monday, September 18, 2006 with the theme, “Illuminating the Past, Imagining the Future!” as the school celebrates its many accomplishments and looks toward new and exciting opportunities. The launch will take place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Memorial Hall on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A reception will follow.

You won’t want to miss the launch ceremony which will feature special guests:

• Deanna Marcum, associate librarian for Library Services, Library of Congress
• Michael Ruettgers, senior advisor and retired chair, EMC
• Robert Martin (Ph.D. ’88), professor, Texas Women’s University School of Library and Information Science

The event will also include words from university and state officials, a short video on the history of the school and musical entertainment.

To reserve your place at Memorial Hall on September 18th, call us at 919-962-8366 or send an e-mail note to: 75th@ils.unc.edu

On Thursday, September 21, SILS students have planned a series of events including poster sessions, panel discussions, a demographic overview and a social activity that promises a good time for all! In addition, the SILS Alumni Association will host its annual new student reception in the lobby of the Louis Round Wilson Library.

The Adventures in Ideas Symposium, co-sponsored with the Program in Humanities and Human Values, will feature “Censorship, Privacy, National Security & Other Dilemmas of the Information Age,” on Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. and Saturday morning, September 22-23.

Topics of the symposium include: “The Spider’s Web of Privacy and Censorship: The Poison Powers of the Information Age;” “National Security, Secrecy and the Law;” “Rhetoric and the Law: How the Law Reduces Ideas to Writing;” “Is Creativity in Jeopardy? The Information Age, Medicine and Music;” and “Dilemmas of the Information Age.” For more information, or to register to attend the symposium, visit the Web site:


(Please note that first time attendees to the Adventures in Ideas Symposium may attend at 50 percent off the normal cost.)

The anniversary committee is planning a number of activities and events that will take place throughout the anniversary year. Be sure to visit the SILS anniversary Web site often for new details on speakers and events at:

http://sils.unc.edu/75thAnniversary

Make sure you’re part of this once in a lifetime celebration! We hope to see you soon!
Dear Friends and Colleagues:

As you can see from our lead article, we are planning for a great 75th anniversary celebration launch on September 18! We’re delighted and honored to have Deanna Marcum, Michael Ruettgers and Bob Martin present at our event and we know you will be too. The celebration will focus on **rededication, redefinition and commitment.** Rededication to the high ethical and professional standards that have made the 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; and **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.

During our celebration of 75 years of providing a quality education to so many, the School of Information and Library Science has much to celebrate.

- In a very timely manner, we’ve once again been ranked number one by *US News and World Report*
- The School continues to educate the brightest and best
- Our excellent faculty are leaders in their fields as both great educators and researchers
- SILS alumni continue to make a significant impact on the professions of library and information science

The celebration launches a series of activities that will highlight the School throughout the year. We plan to close the celebration with a finale next fall, truly celebrating for a full-year. We hope you will join us for as many events and activities as you can, and participate by sharing your fond memories of SILS on our memory blog on the 75th Anniversary Web site at: sils.unc.edu/75thAnniversary

On a more somber note, we were shocked and saddened to learn of the passing of one of our strongest innovators and advocates of information and library science, Dr. Fred Kilgour. Our thoughts are with his family and those closest to him. We plan to hold a tribute in his honor this coming spring during the OCLC/Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture in Information and Library Science. We hope you will be able to join us then for an informational session, and a final honor to a truly great man.

We have a busy year planned that is sure to offer engaging lectures, symposia and educational experiences for all. Please plan to join us in celebration of our 75th anniversary as we hold fast to the original goal of our founder, Dr. Louis Round Wilson, to send out educated professionals “to tap the vast reservoir of human knowledge.”

Sincerely,

José-Marie Griffiths
Professor and Dean
U.S. News and World Report ranks SILS #1

The School of Information and Library Science (SILS) has been ranked number one by U.S. News and World Report in the magazine’s 2007 edition of “America’s Best Graduate Schools.” The School tied for first with University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign among programs with accredited master’s degrees.

“We are delighted to once again receive a number one ranking in U.S. News and World Report,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. “The ranking is an acknowledgment of our efforts to provide one of the best graduate programs in the nation, and we aim to maintain the highest standards of excellence as we prepare our students for their careers.”

In addition to ranking number one overall, SILS also placed in six of seven specialty areas of the magazine’s top ten list, including:

• 2nd - Health Librarianship
• 4th - Digital Librarianship
• 5th - Law Librarianship
• 7th - Archives and Preservation
• 7th - Information Systems
• 8th - Services for Children and Youth

Library legend — Dr. Frederick G. Kilgour, dies at 92

The library and information science world was saddened July 31, 2006 when librarian, inventor, researcher and educator, Dr. Frederick G. Kilgour, passed away from a cerebral hemorrhage at the age of 92 in Chapel Hill, NC.

Dr. Kilgour revolutionized the way libraries network and store information with his invention of the WorldCat database in 1971. It is one of the most consulted databases in higher education and is used daily by millions of students, teachers, scholars and researchers worldwide. By creating WorldCat, he solved a problem that threatened to stifle scholarship, research and intellectual productivity—the rising costs of cataloging the ever-expanding body of information. He developed the concept of online shared cataloging, which made it unnecessary for more than one library to originally catalog an item. It reduces costs and improves the availability of library resources. Today, Web search engines use WorldCat to lead researchers to pertinent information in libraries around the world.

In 1967, Kilgour founded the Ohio College Library Center, later renamed OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc., a non-profit organization that works to foster access to information and reduce library costs. He served as OCLC’s first president and oversaw the organization’s growth from a regional computer system to an international network.

Dr. Kilgour led OCLC from 1967 to 1980, presiding over its spectacular growth from an intrastate network to a national network. During his tenure, OCLC grew from a staff of two and revenues of $67,000, to a staff of 500 and revenues of $27 million. The number of libraries OCLC served grew from the original 54 Ohio academic libraries to 2,300 libraries in all 50 states. The number of records in WorldCat grew from the ground up to five million. Today, there are more than 55,000 libraries and institutions in 110 countries using Dr. Kilgour’s creation.

“Fred had a rare combination of extraordinary vision and ingenuity to design and develop solutions to critical problems in improving access to information,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the School of Information and Library Science. “His contributions to the field were numerous and far-reaching, and those of us at SILS were honored to have Fred join us in his later years as a distinguished research professor. The information and library science field has lost one of its tallest giants.”

SILS wasn’t Dr. Kilgour’s first experience with academe. He had previously worked as a librarian and library director at Harvard and Yale universities for more than a quarter of a century. He was a distinguished research professor at SILS from 1990 to 2004 when he retired.

During World War II, he was a U.S. Navy intelligence officer in the Office of Strategic Services, where he developed a system for obtaining publications from enemy and enemy-occupied areas, and for which he received the Legion of Merit.

Dr. Kilgour is survived by his wife, Eleanor Margaret Kilgour, and daughters: Marta Kilgour, Vajra Alison Kilgour and Meredith Kilgour Perdiew. He leaves two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

There will be no funeral service; however, several memorial services are being planned. SILS will host a special tribute to honor Dr. Kilgour in conjunction with the OCLC/Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture in Information and Library Science in early 2007. Details will be shared as they become available.
At the crossroads: International academy adopts resolutions on ethics and openness

International leaders met at the crossroads of culture and tradition in Granada, Spain, on April 27 and 28 to discuss the future of library and information science education, which are facing a crossroads of their own.

Adopting Thomas Jefferson’s pledge of “Eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man” as its motto, the Louis Round Wilson Academy approved its first general resolutions (statements) on ethics and openness — two topics of special concern for those responsible for the future stewardship of recorded knowledge.

The Academy is the central pillar that supports The Knowledge Trust®, a program founded by Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, in October 2005.

The statement on ethics includes principles related to personal integrity, honesty and respect for diverse perspectives; maintaining the vital role of public trust; validation of the authenticity of all materials; respect; and a commitment to service.

Academy members also agreed that access to information should be freely and easily available to all, with due regard for safety and human rights. The principles adopted in the statement on openness encourages open access to the world’s knowledge, with a balanced regard and respect for the appropriateness and dangers inherent in archives and other collections withheld from public view, and regard for the necessity of restricted access to certain forms of information.

Representing business, academe, information technology, museums, librarianship and digital era innovators, academy members traveled from all parts of the globe to contribute to their continuing discussion about how to shape the education, professional practice and ethos of future generations of knowledge professionals.

The academy is developing a common vision to prepare the next generation of knowledge professionals — information specialists, librarians, technologists, curators, archivists and other stewards of knowledge — for an ever-changing environment and the challenges it presents.

These professionals will be expected to guide individuals through the masses of information they receive, to validate the authenticity of information and to provide stewardship, preservation and access for a global public.

When Griffiths established The Knowledge Trust®, she, the school faculty and UNC leaders made a formal commitment to re-define and affirm the essential role and preparation of 21st-century knowledge professionals. The term knowledge trust also is used to describe the totality of the world’s recorded knowledge, as well as the professionals who are stewards of this knowledge.

“From the time and place that we met less than a year ago, we determined that ournext meeting should be in a special place,” said Griffiths. “It should be a place symbolic of the highest values of stewardship of the knowledge trust and of the benefits and joys derived from the increase and diffusion of knowledge by and among men and women of good will of all races, colors and creeds.

“What better place than Andalusia, what better symbol than Granada and what better example than their great libraries of the high Middle Ages whose patrons and stewards in a culture of tolerance preserved, protected and passed down to the latest generation much of what is known of the ancient cultural heritage of three great traditions: Jewish, Christian and Muslim?”

During the meeting, academy members focused on the principles of ethics and openness throughout their discussions. The group touched on topics such as the blurring of access to public and private information; the new and powerful search engines and how they are administered; the preservation of digital images and records in the public domain for all to access; and the importance of understanding new laws.

The group also heard and participated in discussion on topics related to return on investment in libraries, re-balancing access to the world’s wealth of knowledge and shaping a new role and identity for the 21st-century knowledge professionals.

Sixteen members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy were formally inducted during a ceremony held in the 15th-century Marble Courtyard of the Hospital Real at the University of Granada.

The newest members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy include:

• Chris Batt, chief executive, Museums, Libraries and Archives Council, London
• Dr. Lynne Brindley, chief executive, The British Library
• Ubaldo Gonzalez, senior representative, Spanish Ministry of Finance, Embassy of Spain, Washington, D.C.
• Jay Jordan, president and CEO, OCLC Online Computer Library Center Inc.
• Donald King, visiting scholar at UNC at Chapel Hill; research professor, University of Pittsburgh
• Paula Le Dieu, director, iCommons
• Dr. Cathy Norton, director, Marine Biological Library/Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Massachusetts
• Dr. Wayne Pond, director, Program in Humanities and Human Values, UNC at Chapel Hill
• Tom Rabon, executive vice president, Corporate Affairs, Red Hat, Inc.

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Statement on Ethics
We, the members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy, mindful of our personal and professional responsibilities as stewards of The Knowledge TrustSM, and of our duty to those who will succeed us, do, on this day, April 27th, 2006, in the ancient City and University of Granada, hereby adopt and affirm the following:

Statement on Ethics, The Knowledge TrustSM and its Stewards
Be it resolved that ethical stewardship of The Knowledge TrustSM implies an unremitting dedication to the following principles:

• A commitment to personal stewardship of the global knowledge trust characterized by personal integrity, honesty and respect for diverse perspectives;
• An unremitting dedication to trustworthiness, with an abiding respect and regard for maintaining the vital role of public trust on one’s personal reputation and the standing of the profession;
• An unwavering dedication to the principle of clear, open and readily accessible validation of the authenticity of all materials residing in the global knowledge trust;
• A principled dedication to respect;
• A personal dedication to an active engagement in the increase and diffusion of knowledge, and a commitment to service as its uncompromising advocate;
• A commitment to “Eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man;” and
• A resolve to exhibit the courage commensurate with the nobility of one’s convictions.

Statement on Openness
We, the members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy, mindful of our personal and professional responsibilities as stewards of The Knowledge TrustSM, and of our duty to those who will succeed us, do, on this day, April 27th, 2006, in the ancient City and University of Granada, hereby adopt and affirm the following:

Statement on Openness, The Knowledge TrustSM and its Stewards
Be it resolved that humankind’s recorded knowledge should be freely and easily available to all, with due regard for safety and human rights, and appropriately balanced compensation for creativity and innovation. These general principles, we believe, imply and demand:

• A balanced regard and respect for the appropriate roles of public, private and proprietary knowledge;
• An active commitment to complete, honest and accurate annotation of all knowledge entrusted to one’s care and an equally rigorous commitment to the application of this principle to the knowledge trust as a whole, both now and for all time;
• A commitment to faithfully facilitate access to the knowledge trust, to encourage and promote collaboration and innovation in service to all humankind;
• A wary and vigilant regard for both the appropriateness and dangers inherent in archives and other collections withheld from public view, coupled with a commitment to openness as a first principle;
• A due regard for the necessity of restricted access to certain forms of information, balanced by a commitment to the minimization of restriction, and a prejudice for error on the side of openness when the case for restriction is in doubt; and
• A commitment to openness and access with due regard to appropriate and balanced compensation for meaningful contributions to the knowledge trust.

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• Dr. Yael Ravin, program director, Learning and Organizational Performance, IBM
• Dr. Terry Sharrer, health sciences curator, Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History
• Dr. Robert Shelton, president, University of Arizona
• John Wilkin, associate university librarian for Library Information Technology and Technical and Access Services, University of Michigan
• Dr. Ian Wilson, librarian and archivist, Library and Archives Canada
• Dr. Ann Wolpert, director, MIT Libraries, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
• Nicole Wong, associate general counsel, Google, Inc.

The Granada meeting was hosted and sponsored by the University of Granada, the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science and the Spanish Embassy in Washington D.C. The Academy was welcomed to Spain and the city of Granada by University of Granada representatives Rector D. David Aguilar Peña; Manuel Diaz Carrillo, vice rector for international and institutional relations; Dr. Antonio Sanchez Pozo, vice rector and commissioner for the European higher education area; Josefina Vilchez Pardo, dean of the faculty of information and library science; and Antonio Marin Ruiz, director of communications.

Representatives of the Spanish government who hosted and sponsored the meeting were Carlos Westendorp, ambassador to the United States; Miguel Martinez, senior representative of the ministry of education and science; and Ulbaldo Gonzalez of Washington, D.C., senior representative of the Spanish Ministry of Finance. The next meeting will focus on the topic of educating the 21st century knowledge professional.
SILS receives $562,041 to preserve a digital future

The School of Information and Library Science (SILS) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been awarded a grant of $562,041 from the Institute of Museum of Library Services. The funded project, “Preserving Access to Our Digital Future: Building an International Digital Curation,” is designed to develop an innovative, modular curriculum to educate graduate students in the emerging field of digital curation.

The proposal was awarded in the category of “Programs to Build Institutional Capacity.” It will be a collaboration between SILS and the National Archives and Records Administration, and features an advisory board of 17 international scholars and digital preservation specialists from countries including the United States, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Italy and the Netherlands.

The three-year project will fund Carolina Digital Curation Fellows, who will be a part of the first generation of digital curators. They will enroll in courses created as part of the new curriculum. Experiential components across campus involving the students in actual digital curation work, will enhance their learning and insight into important issues and realities and will provide a model that can be implemented on other campuses while meeting the curation needs in these environments.

The issues of digital curation will also be highlighted by two symposia that will establish forums of discussion to the broad library, archives and museum communities. These public events will take place in April 2007 and spring 2009.

Preservation of access to digital assets stands as one of the grand challenges of the early 21st Century, explains Dr. Helen Tibbo, the project’s principal investigator. “Such preservation is dependent upon sound digital curation. Digital curation is the active management and preservation of digital resources over the life-cycle scholarly and scientific interest, and over time for current and future generations of users,” she said. She acknowledges that while digital curation research has become more prevalent, education of future professionals to work in the field has not.

“In preparing students to work in the 21st century trusted digital repository, wherever that may be found, we seek to take relevant existing coursework and blend it with new materials, content and courses from other disciplines such as computer science, economics and education as necessary. The resulting curriculum will most likely extend well beyond the existing borders of information and library science education and require new configurations of classes and alliances on our campuses.”

Dr. Cal Lee, SILS assistant professor, is another researcher involved in the project along with Project Assistant John Schaeffer.

NHPRC Fellows selected for 2006-2007

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) Electronic Records Research Fellowship Program has announced its selection of the 2006-2007 Fellows. The Fellows and their projects include:

Daphne Arnaiz-DeLeon
Archives and Historical Services Division Director, New Mexico State Records Center and Archives
“Global XML Data Model - New Mexico Public Records”

Don Chalfant
Archival Electronic Records & Special Media Coordinator, & Kathy Jordan, Electronic Resources Manager, The Library of Virginia
“Developing Processing Practices and Workflows for Electronic Archival Records”

Kathryn Hammond Baker & Elizabeth Copenhagen
Manager, Special Collections and Records Manager, Countway Library, Harvard Medical School
“Metadata Models for Scientific Research Data”

Erin O’Meara
University Records Manager, University of Oregon Libraries
“A Recordkeeping Framework for Social Scientists Conducting Data-Intensive Research”

The researchers will receive $15,000 to conduct their project research during the course of the upcoming year. They will present their planned work at the 3rd annual NHPRC Electronic Records Research Symposium, Friday, October 6, 2006 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The report of their results will take place at the 2007 symposium at UNC next year.
Henderson Lecture reveals books on trial

“Books on Trial: Witch Hunt in the Heartland and a Nation’s Response” was the title of the 2005 fall Henderson Lecture by husband and wife team, Professors Wayne and Shirley Wiegand. The lecture took place on Sept. 26, 2005 during Banned Books Week — a celebration of our freedom to read — in the Pleasants Family Assembly Room of the Wilson Library at UNC at Chapel Hill.

The lecture focused on a 1940 raid of an Oklahoma City bookstore by police officers, who confiscated more than 7,000 books and arrested 16 people. Oklahoma officials then put the book proprietors on trial, and prosecuted and sentenced four of those arrested to ten years in prison and fines of $5,000.

The Wiegands presented the previously untold story of the trials, the public book burning and the appeals process ultimately used to reverse the decisions.

“The lecture is a colorful and richly detailed case study in American social and legal history with many parallels to the present,” said Dr. Wayne Wiegand, “another time when real emergencies have been used to trample on the civil rights of American citizens and in the process pose threats to their freedom to read.”

SILS hosts JCDL 2006


Hosted by the School of Information and Library Science, attendees were treated to a panel discussion by Daniel Clancy, engineer director of Google Print; David Ferriero, Andrew W. Mellon director and chief executive of Research Libraries at New York Public Library; Daniel Greenstein, University librarian, California Digital Library. Moderated by Clifford Lynch, director of the Coalition for Networked Information, the panel discussed “Getting Books Online: Practices and Strategies.” Jonathan Zittrain, co-founder of the Berkman Center for Internet & Society, provided the plenary address on “Open Information: Redaction, Restriction and Removal.”

Conference chair, Dr. Gary Marchionini, noted that this year’s event attracted an international mix of digital library researchers as well as many librarians who are grappling with the challenges of expanding their digital collections and services while maintaining their rich physical collections and user services. “The meeting demonstrates SILS’ leadership role in advancing digital library research and practice,” he said.


Dr. Jane Greenberg, SILS associate professor, and Thomas Seveiers of Universitat Osnabruck, Germany, presented a full-day workshop on “Metadata Tools for Digital Resource Repositories.”

Winners of the Vannevar Bush Best Paper award, sponsored by ACM, were: “Metadata aggregation and “automated digital libraries”: A Retrospective on the NSDL experience,” by Timothy Cornwell, Naomi Dushay, Dean Erktrom, Dean Krafft and Carl Lagoze; and “EcoPod: A Mobile Tool for Community Based Biodiversity Collection Building,” by Aswath Manoharan, Andreas Paepcke, Jeannie A. Stambauger and Yuan Yuan Yu.

The best poster winner was “An Analysis of the Bid Behavior of the 2005 JCDL Program Committee” by Marko A Rodriguez, Johan Bollen and Herbert Van de Sompel.

Program chairs included Cathy Marshall of Microsoft, Corporation and Michael L. Nelson of Old Dominion University. Dr. Barbara Wildermuth served as conference treasurer and Wanda Monroe was publicity chair for the US. SILS faculty members, Drs. Jane Greenberg, Bradley Hemminger, Diane Kelly, Jeff Pomerantz and Helen Tibbo were among the 84 members of the international Program Committee. Elizabeth Evans of ITS, handled logistics.

JCDL 2007 will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada on June 17-23.
The first of three annual Lifelong Access Libraries Institutes was held on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on July 30 through August 4, 2006. The event introduced participants to Lifelong Access, a new service framework for public libraries.

Selected by a panel of national advisors and Americans for Libraries Council staff, the 23 Fellows attending the Institute were mid-career practicing librarians who are enthusiastic, successful, experienced and committed to the lifelong access community.

The Institute is based on the principle of “action learning,” in which the acquired skills and knowledge will be put to practical use at libraries over a sustained period of time. As time goes on, Fellows will be linked electronically in a national community of practice based on information exchange and communications.

Presented by Americans for Libraries Council (ALC), a nonprofit organization that champions the role of libraries in American society, the Lifelong Access Libraries Institute focused on three areas: 1) Concepts and research underlying new approaches to working with midlife and older adults; 2) Promising practices in library services, including the Lifelong Access framework for older adult services; and 3) Leadership and skills in community librarianship.

Diantha D. Schull, president of ALC welcomed the group to the inaugural meeting. The collaboration in ensuring the success of the Institute was represented in the welcoming remarks made by Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS; Mary L. Boone, state librarian; Dr. Irene Owens, dean, School of Library Science, North Carolina Central University; and Dr. Victor Marshall, director of the UNC Institute on Aging.

“We are so pleased to be able to convene library professionals who are committed to meeting a new population with new services and opportunities,” said Gloria Coles, national director of Lifelong Access Libraries for ALC. “They will form a cadre of leaders, who by sharpening their own practices and brainstorming new ones can help libraries across the nation experiment, innovate and really reach out to older active adults.”

SILS and the Institute on Aging (IOA) at UNC partnered with ALC to host the Fellows who came from across the country. SILS Professor, Dr. Joanne Marshall, and Heidi Madden, SILS project manager, participated in the conference along with IOA faculty members.

The Institute is one component of ALC’s multi-year Lifelong Access Libraries initiative, funded by The Atlantic Philanthropies. The $2.7 million grant is enabling the development of a nationwide network of Lifelong Access Libraries, showcasing a new model for library services focused on baby boomers and older adults making the transition to active civic participation and lifelong learning in retirement.

Where are you? NC LIS graduates asked to participate in study

This fall, over 8,000 graduates of the six library and information science programs in North Carolina will be asked to participate in a career study funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Workforce Issues in Library and Information Science (WILIS) is a very important study for the profession, said Professor Joanne Gard Marshall, principal investigator. “Since LIS is not a licensed profession, we do not know much at all about the careers of those who graduate from master’s programs and the factors that affect recruitment and retention,” said Marshall. “With so many members of our profession reaching retirement age over the next decade, this study will provide important data for workforce planning and transition.” Graduates are encouraged to participate by sending their current e-mail address to wilis@unc.edu. Other SILS researchers working on the WILIS project include Drs. Deborah Barreau, Barbara Moran and Paul Solomon. For additional information about the study, please check the Web site: http://www.wilis.unc.edu/
The IMLS Future of Librarians in the Workforce Study Study

By Sarah Aerni

SILS researchers are teaming up with many professional librarian groups across the country to produce a ground-breaking study about the future of the librarian profession. A major goal of this project is to survey 6,000 special libraries, 6,000 school libraries, and all public and academic libraries about their current and future workforce needs. Projections of number and type of library positions (and the associated skills that will be needed for these positions) will then be made for the library field out to the year 2015.

The survey questions have been split into five different parts, in order to minimize the time necessary to complete it. The length of the survey is only about 25 questions. The different parts contain questions about library functions, services provided, competencies required for jobs in the library, expenditures and a staff survey, respectively.

Surveys are being distributed in groups by type of library. The special library survey was the first to be distributed on August 3, 2006. The surveys will be sent to libraries according to the following timeline:

- Public libraries - September 2006
- School libraries - October 2006; with an alternative of January 2007
- Academic libraries - January 2007

We are in the process of gathering information from people and we will be sending periodic reminders. If your library or any colleagues received this survey, we urge you to fill it out, as the project will be more accurate with a larger response. The public library surveys are scheduled to be sent out by the end of September, with school and academic library surveys to be sent later in the year.

Analysis and projections of future library workforce needs will be completed after the surveys are returned. The research team is pairing up with researchers at SLA, ARL, ALA, MLA, AALL, AASL, the University of Pittsburgh and Syracuse University, among others, to complete the project. Further information about the project can be found at the project Web site: http://libraryworkforce.org.

SILS researchers involved with this project include Dean José-Marie Griffiths, principal investigator; Visiting Scholar Donald W. King; Professor Joanne Gard Marshall; Rebecca Vargha; Beth Ellington; Professor Evelyn Daniel; Kathleen McClatchey and Sarah Aerni.

UNC to host international conference on evidence-based library and information practice

Library and Information Science professionals from around the world will come together for the 4th International Conference on Evidence Based Library and Information Practice (EBLIP4) hosted by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on May 6-9, 2007. The conference will offer scholarly discussions about the future of evidence-based practice in the information professions and serve as a forum for current research taking place in the field. It will be followed by two days of continuing education opportunities on May 10-11.

“Evidence-based library and information practice is an exciting concept that promises to transform our profession,” said Dr. Joanne Gard Marshall, organizer and alumni distinguished professor at SILS. “Following on successful conferences in the UK, Canada and Australia, 2007 is a perfect year to host this ground-breaking international conference in the U.S. We look forward to sharing ways of linking research to practice. Using our knowledge base in this way has the potential to inform decision-making in all types of libraries and information settings and to assist in knowledge transfer and development during this time of demographic transition in our field.” The conference will address topics such as:

- Improving the quality of library and information services
- Building and accessing the knowledge base of the profession
- Defining and setting standards for evidence-based practice
- The role of library administrators, professional associations and other stakeholders in promoting evidence-based practice
- Identifying key practice areas requiring systematic review of the evidence
- Learning from professions that have implemented evidence-based practice

In addition, the conference will highlight papers and posters that present research based on the highest standards of evidence-based librarianship, as well as workshops on how to do evidence-based practice, how to assess the library and information science literature and how to apply evidence-based practice in different kinds of library and information settings.

Evidence-based librarianship, as defined by Anne McKeen, et al. at the 1996 ASIS&T meeting is, “an approach to information science that promotes the collection, interpretation and integration of valid, important and applicable user-reported, librarian-observed and research-derived evidence. The best available evidence, moderated by user needs and preferences, is applied to improve the quality of professional judgments.”

The biennial conference has previously been held throughout the world. The 2007 conference is the first time it will be held in the United States. More information about the conference may be found at: http://www.eblip4.unc.edu/
National expert in school library media joins SILS

National expert in school library media, Dr. Sandra Hughes-Hassell, joined the SILS faculty as an associate professor on July 1.

“I’m very excited about Sandra Hughes-Hassell coming here to head our school library media program,” said Dr. Evelyn H. Daniel, professor. “I am looking forward to working with Sandra in the fall semester, as I begin my transition from program coordinator to backseat advisor for the school library program as I move towards retirement.”

Many recent SILS graduates will recognize Sandra’s name from her book, The Information-Powered School, which SILS uses in its school library classes.

Sandra comes to SILS from Drexel University where she was an associate professor in the College of Information Science and Technology. Sandra earned her Ph.D. from SILS in 1998. She has a master’s in education with a major in Library Science, and a bachelor’s degree in Early Childhood Education from James Madison University.

New outstanding staff award

The first School of Information and Library Science Staff Excellence Award Ceremony was held on May 12 in Manning Hall during the State’s Employee Appreciation Week. Beth Dye, student services manager and Marcia Tauber, office assistant IV, were recognized by Dean José-Marie Griffiths for their excellence, commitment, teamwork and outstanding service to the School.

Both Marcia and Beth are known for their high quality of work, responsiveness to others and positive attitudes. Their contributions to SILS have enhanced the School’s reputation and made the office an enjoyable place to be for students, faculty and staff. The award includes a framed certificate, $500 and three days of additional vacation. It will be presented to two outstanding staff members selected by a committee each spring.

Kate Barnhart joined the SILS Library as Library technical assistant II on July 6, 2006. She comes to our library from the UNC Library Development Office where she has worked for the past five years. Kate has a degree in fine art and enjoys teaching and playing music— including the guitar, banjo and dulcimer. She is also a storyteller, and she coordinates the annual “Winter Stories” event held each December to the delight of the local community.

Visiting Fulbright Scholar

This spring, SILS welcomed Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Gordana Stokic, from the Library and Information Science Department, the Department of Philology of Belgrade, Belgrade University, Serbia and Montenegro. Gordana’s research focused on “The Dissemination of the U.S. Library Profession Best Practice in Serbia.” While in the U.S., Gordana visited with SILS, the New York Public Library, the Urban Libraries Council and the Library of Congress.
New book reflects on possibilities in museums and libraries

Dr. David Carr, SILS associate professor, has published his second collection of essays, A Place Not a Place: Reflection and Possibility in Museums and Libraries, (publisher: AltaMira Press).

The compilation, which has received impressive reviews by both scholars and professionals, becomes a journey for readers as they are led through Carr’s thoughts.

“This remarkable book reminds us of and reinforces in us the critical role that our libraries and museums play in our society — the instruments of our persistent pursuit of our own identities and ideal selves,” said Dr. Robert S. Martin, former director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and professor and Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair at Texas Woman’s University. “Every library and museum professional will profit from David Carr’s thoughtful observations and careful articulation of what really goes on within our walls.”

“I wrote these essays to remind my readers that complex things occur when we are in the presence of information,” Dr. Carr said. “Libraries and museums are not simply locations. They are also experiences of mind and hope, and enemies of despair. We find surprising differences in them and come to understand surprising differences in ourselves.”


Paul Jones and the Blooker Prize go worldwide

“So I finish a jog along the Blue Nile and climb into my truck. It’s dusk and I can get the BBC on the a.m. dial at night so I give it a try. Who is that? I know that voice. Why is Paul on my radio in Khartoum? Am I going mad?”

This was Mark McCarthy’s posting, which he wrote from Khartoum’s Humanitarian Information Center for Darfur — Sudan, on Paul Jones’ blog. And as it turns out, Paul Jones, a clinical associate professor and director of the ibiblio online library and archive, was heard around the world.

The posting came the day after the world’s first Blooker Prize was awarded for Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 524 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen. The Prize, created by Lulu.com was established to honor publications that began life as blogs and then transformed into books — termed “blooks.” Jones was one of the judges of the first Blooker Prize.

Because of his involvement with the unique and tech-savvy Prize, Jones has been contacted by media from around the world including USA Today, ABC News, NPR, the Washington Post and newspapers and broadcast stations in Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Indonesia, Taiwan, Spain and more. The United Kingdom’s BBC sent a camera crew to interview Jones about the prize and the importance of blooks as a new medium.

New Zealand calls on Carr

SILS faculty travel the globe to share their expertise and the results of their research. When he’s not busy with his writing and teaching, Dr. David Carr is frequently invited to present at locations around the world.

In July, through the support of several organizations, including the U.S. Ambassador and New Zealand’s office of National Services, Carr traveled to New Zealand to participate in a number of activities.

At a conference of the Museum Education Association of New Zealand in Rotorua, Carr delivered the keynote address, “A Museum of Identity and Exchange.” He also presented a workshop presentation using personal collections, titled “What object is here?”

At the Museum of Wellington City and Sea, Carr delivered a public presentation called “Four evidences,” about the need for public cultural spaces. “We need a language that helps us to live beyond our limits,” he said, “and a place where we can speak it.” While in Wellington, he also met in an open forum with the National Librarian, Penny Carnaby, and senior staff of of the National Library of New Zealand. Then it was off to a Museum directors’ meeting and a museum studies seminar workshop for two days at the School of Maori Studies, Massey University, in Palmerston North, one of the sponsors of Carr’s two-week visit.

“My museum, library and public audiences throughout the nation were engaged and interested in the essential ways that cultural institutions serve citizens,” Carr says. “Because of the rich Maori presence in New Zealand, the recognition of cultural and social difference and the value of deep cultural knowledge are important every day.”

Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 524 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen

“The Prize] recognizes books that may not be recognized in other formats and other places,” Jones said in the BBC News interview. “It recognizes that something new in the way of production is coming that deserves an award, deserves encouragement and can provide a new way to access literature by previously unknown authors.”

The winner of the 2006 Blooker Prize is Julie Powell, a 32-year-old New Yorker, who turned to blogging on Aug. 25, 2002. She chronicled a year of her life as she cooked every recipe in Julia Child’s 1961 cookbook, Mastering the Art of French Cooking. Since then, Powell’s blog has evolved into the book (blook), Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 24 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen and quickly gained a following, selling nearly 100,000 copies — all before the onset of Blooker-mania.

“A great blook is not a blog shoveled on paper,” Jones said about the genre. “Julie and Julia successfully makes the transition and grows as it goes, having learnt from the blog readers.” A blogger himself, Jones knows the importance of creating a following of readers and the impact they can have on your writing. “It helps to have an obsessed audience egging you on in your own eccentric obsessions” Jones said. He will chair the selection committee for the 2007 Blooker Prize.

Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 524 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen is published by Little, Brown and Company.
Rebecca Vargha inaugurated as SLA president

SILS Librarian, Rebecca Vargha, was inaugurated as the Special Libraries Association (SLA) president during the annual conference in June. She is the first person from the state of North Carolina to be chosen for this leadership position.

“Becoming president of SLA is the beginning of a journey for me, one that began early in my career,” Vargha said about her new position. “I am truly honored and humbled to lead the organization for the next 18 months.”

During her inaugural speech, Vargha highlighted three key areas that she will focus on during her term:

- Increasing membership growth and retention.
- Planning SLA’s 100th anniversary celebration in 2009.
- Reaching a net growth of 1,000 members by the 100th anniversary.

She plans to achieve these goals through a Membership Working Group, strategic conference exhibits and expanding the successful Member-Get-a-Member campaign.

In her address, Vargha acknowledged the dynamic evolution of North Carolina from an economy based on tobacco, timber and textile industries to one embracing a “range of information-based technologies and services.” “My vision for this association is to focus our talent and energies on creating a strong, vibrant force for learning, teaching and innovation throughout the world.”

Vargha concluded her address by emphasizing the importance of collaboration: “Our opportunities are endless, our journey is long, but, working together, we can accomplish great things. The important first step is to begin together.”

Dr. Deborah Barreau presented “Organizational Challenges: Communication, Records, and Personal Information Management” in February 2006 as part of New York Public Library’s Leadership Development Program. In addition, Deborah participated at the ACM SIG-IR Workshop on Personal Information Management in August. She was invited based on her paper, “Personal Information Management in Context.” A poster, Deborah co-authored with Abe Crystal, Jane Greenberg, Anuj Sharma, John Oberlin, Michael Shoffner and Steve Seiberling has been accepted for the ASIS&T Annual meeting in November 2006.


SILS Associate Professor Sandra Hughes-Hassell’s paper, “Toward a model of the everyday life information needs of urban teenagers,” was published online by the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST) on June 8. Hughes-Hassell’s co-author was Denise E. Agosto of Drexel University.

SILS Professor Dr. Diane Kelly and Ph.D. student Xin Fu had a poster and their paper, “Elicitation of Term Relevance Feedback: An Investigation of Term Source and Context” accepted for the Special Interest Group on Information Retrieval (SIGIR) 2006.

Dr. Cal Lee, assistant professor, his wife Jen and big sister Sophia welcomed Emerson Albert Lee who arrived at 1:28 a.m. on May 21, 2006. Emerson weighed 8 lbs 6 oz and was 21.75 inches long.

Dr. Bob Losee’s paper “Is 1 noun worth 2 adjectives? Measuring relative feature utility” appears in the latest issue of Information Process & Management Tangentially (vol 42, issue 5).

Dr. Joanne Gard Marshall completed her three-years of service on the Board of the Medical Library Association in May 2006. During her year as president, Joanne established two task forces to review and revise the association’s policies on education and research. Joanne is principal investigator of two IMLS funded educational grants at SILS, the Triangle Research Network Doctoral Fellows program and the ARL Fellows Program. She is also leading an IMLS-funded career study of graduates of the six LIS programs in North Carolina.

Charlotte Pomerantz was born to proud parents, Dr. Jeff Pomerantz, assistant professor, and his wife Yvonne on April 21. Charlotte weighed 4 lbs 10 oz, and was 16.25 inches long.

“Google scholar and 100% availability of information,” by Dr. Jeffrey Pomerantz was published in a recent issue of Information Technology and Libraries (ITAL). ITAL is dedicating this entire year’s issues to Dr. Fred Kilgour in honor of ITAL’s 25th year. This article argues that Google Scholar is in the spirit of Kilgour’s work. Jeff and doctoral student, Fred Stutzman were also published in Reference Services Review: The article is entitled, “Collaborative reference work in the blogosphere.” http://dx.doi.org/10.1108/00907320610669443.

Dr. Brian Sturm recently completed a day-long workshop for elementary school teachers entitled: “Storytelling in Environmental Education” for the NC Environmental Education Institute in Salter Path, NC. The teachers explored the theory of storytelling and then created their own stories, practiced performance techniques and discussed potential curriculum connections.

Dr. Barbara Wildemuth participated in a workshop on “Privacy and HCI: Methodologies for Studying Privacy Issues,” held in conjunction with the ACM SIG CHI conference in April, 2006. In addition, the results of an ACM SIG CHI workshop have been published in JAIST (v57 n6). It included Barbara’s article titled, “Evidence-based practice in search of interface design.”

At the recent 2006 Joint Conference on Digital Libraries, Dr. Jeff Pomerantz presented a paper co-authored by Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, and Ed Fox and Seungwon Yang (from Virginia Tech), on curriculum development for education in digital librarianship. Jeff and Barbara also participated in the post-conference workshop on digital library education, where she spoke about discipline-based and international issues. A brief report of the funded work on digital library education also was published in the latest issue of D-Lib Magazine.

A study of the interactivity in an electronic mentoring system, conducted by Cara Bonnett (a SILS alum), Barbara Wildemuth and Diane Sonnenwald (a former faculty member), was recently published in Instructional Science (v34 n1).

Barbara also spoke at the SURA/ViDe (Video Development Initiative) conference on “The Open Video Project: How people go about searching video collections.”

Dr. Mark Winston, SILS associate professor, received a 2006 Award of Excellence from the editorial board of the New Library World journal. The article, “Leadership in Times of Crisis and Change” was co-authored by Susan Quinn, a librarian with Ocean County Library in New Jersey. It was recognized as a highly commended paper in the category of Library Management and Library Studies. In addition, Mark was cited by Allyson Aird, et. Al. in the Spring 2006 Reference and User Services Quarterly article, “Why Library and Information Science?”

Drs. Mark Winston and Jane Greenberg, and master’s student, Christie McDaniel, presented on the Curriculum Review Task Force activities during SILS Board of Visitors meeting in April.

Dr. Jane Greenberg attended the Microsoft Research Faculty Summit in July, and presented on Memex Metadata (M-2) for Personal Educational Portfolios, during Memex Day, in Redmont, WA.

Dr. Marchionini appointed to National Library of Medicine committee

Dr. Gary Marchionini, Cary C. Boshammer Distinguished Professor at the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has been appointed to a four year term on the Biomedical Library and Informatics Review Committee of the National Library of Medicine (NLM). The National Library of Medicine “is the world’s largest medical library,” providing research services and information for health care and biomedicine.

“The Biomedical Library and Informatics Review Committee is a scientific merit review group for the majority of NLM’s extramural grant applications and performs the first step in the dual review process followed by the final review of the Board of Regents.” The committee meets three times a year in compliance with the NIH review cycle.

Marchionini’s current projects include: “Usability of Personal Health Records,” a project funded by the National Cancer Institute, “Integration of Data and Interfaces to Enhance Human Understanding of Government Statistics: Toward the National Statistical Knowledge Network,” a collaborative project funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF); the Open Video Project, the development of a digital video repository; “Agile Views for vide browsing: Advanced surrogates, control mechanisms and usability,” an NSF-funded project to develop and test interfaces for video retrieval and browsing; “Annotating Structured Documents” a project supported by Microsoft; and “Preserving Video Objects and Context: A Demonstration Project,” supported by an NSF-Library of Congress grant intended to develop strategies for preserving digital video context.

Paul Jones, clinical associate professor, and director of iibllio.org, was the featured poet in the Sunday, June 4 issue of The News and Observer with his poem, Dark Matters. Paul also participated in the Harvard Law at the Berkman Center for Internet and Society’s Beyond Broadcast conference where he was a panelist, a convener and a contributor to the unconference.
Dear Alumni:

Dr. Louis Round Wilson worked tirelessly to build the field of librarianship. In 1926 he proposed that the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill establish a School of Library Science. The Carnegie Corporation provided a generous grant in 1929, allowing Dr. Wilson to see his recommendation come to fruition. On September 17, 1931, classes began at UNC at Chapel Hill’s School of Library Science.

Seventy-five years after it was founded, your alma mater has sustained its ranking as the #1 graduate program in information and library science by U.S. News and World Report since 1999. This distinction adds value to your degree and attracts the highest caliber of future information professionals.

This fall, we will pay tribute to Dr. Wilson’s vision and a proud heritage by kicking off a year-long 75th anniversary celebration of, “Illuminating the past, imagining the future!” We need your support and participation to make this a memorable milestone.

You are cordially invited to join the School of Information and Library Science diamond anniversary celebration. On Monday, September 18, 2006, we will launch a program at Memorial Hall in Chapel Hill featuring keynote addresses by Michael Ruettgers, retired chairman and senior advisor of EMC Corporation and Deanna Marcum, associate librarian for Library Services at the Library of Congress; remarks by Robert S. Martin, SILS alumnus and professor at Texas Women’s University who will speak about Dr. Louis Round Wilson’s legacy; other university and state officials plus entertainment. You will also view a video presentation that will take you down memory lane. Additional launch activities being planned include a student research and employment forum September 21; and an Adventures in Ideas symposium titled, “Censorship, Privacy, National Security and Other Dilemmas of the Information Age” September 22-23.

But the fun doesn’t end there! We need your support for additional events such as:

- Reunions
- Information and library science exhibits
- Symposia on important issues facing our field
- A grand finale that promises to be an exciting culmination of the 75 years of, “Illuminating the past, imagining the future!”

As you make plans to attend the festivities, please consider a gift to support the 75th anniversary. Every gift is tax deductible and no gift is too small. For gifts of $500 or more, sponsorship benefits are available (see http://sils.unc.edu/75thAnniversary for more details). We look forward to celebrating with you and thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Shawn Jackson

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Smallwood Foundation awards gift to develop blogging software

Great news for those who create or wish to create two or many thousands of blogs (Web logs) with just one installation! Staff and students of ibiblio, located in the School of Information and Library Science (SILS), are developing innovative blogging software that allows individual communication exchange as well as large and varied group communication.

A powerful Web publishing system, Lyceum builds on WordPress software and allows for ease of use while maintaining high performance and security. It is ideal for corporate intranets or universities that need secure, manageable and high performance blogging services for thousands of users. Lyceum expands on the familiar features, interface and tools of WordPress for users and administrators.

“As the Internet has grown and evolved, it has become a place of collaboration, a forum for discussion and a medium used to exchange information at the click of a button,” said Paul Jones, director of ibiblio. “This growth is exemplified by the open source software, blogs and other communication tools being used every day on the Web. What better way to expand on enhancing these opportunities to share ideas and thoughts than to offer software to make it easy to create and install blogs?”

The emerging generation of Web tools is often described as Web 2.0. According to the O’Reilly Network, which spreads the knowledge of innovators through its books, online services, magazine and conferences, the concept of Web 2.0 emerged during a conference brainstorming session between O’Reilly and MediaLive International. Web 2.0 is an emerging generation of Web tools and one of its components is “social software.” Among this new software are blogs, wikis, trackback, podcasting and videoblogs.

A gift of $25,000 was awarded to SILS to create a fellowship in open source. The fellowship will be used to continue the development of the open source blogging system Lyceum. The funding provided by the Frances C. and William P. Smallwood Foundation, a grant-making foundation that promotes technology and education, will assist in refining the program and making it available to users around the world.

“The visionary gift from the Smallwood Foundation will allow us to take the next steps in innovation with Lyceum, that is to move the project from an early test state to software that can be widely used by a vibrant contributing community,” said Jones.
Miss Jean Freeman leaves legacy and funding for SILS programs

For more than 36 years, Miss Jean Freeman was a devoted employee involved in nearly every aspect of administration of what was then the School of Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Initially hired in 1941 as an executive secretary, Miss Freeman worked with eight deans and assisted in a move from one building to another, all while working closely with the students to ensure they had what they needed to successfully graduate. In 1977, she retired leaving a lasting impact on the school.

During her years at the School, Jean Freeman supervised admissions and financial aid, helped with student placement, organized alumni fairs and made sure that general administration was ship-shape. She led a course that introduced students to the School and was in charge of Beta Phi Mu.

Even after her retirement, Jean Freeman was dedicated to the profession of librarianship and a reliable friend to the School, making numerous contributions. On October 27, 2005, she passed away peacefully at Springmoor Retirement Community at the age of 93.

Jean Freeman is still supporting the School that she so cherished. Through a bequest in her will, she left $75,000 which will benefit three separate funds at $25,000 each. The funds include: the Lucile Kelling Henderson Lecture Fund, the Susan Grey Akers Scholarship Fund and the Ed Holley Student Research Fund. The Ed Holley Student Research Fund, the only non-endowed fund of the three, was selected by the class of 2005 with a goal of endowing it at the minimum endowment level of $20,000. With Jean’s gift, this fund will now be endowed, providing student research awards in perpetuity.

“We are grateful to Jean, not only for her devotion to the School and the students during her years here, but also to her extraordinary generosity and insight to what matters to our students,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. “Because of her generous gift, our students will benefit for years to come.”

Award-winning author presents, “My Name is Avi”

The auditorium was filled by a captivated audience as award-winning author Avi presented excerpts from some of his latest works. Avi, an internationally acclaimed author of children’s and young adult’s literature, was the keynote speaker for the 2006 Susan Steinfirst Memorial Lecture in Children’s Literature, sponsored by the School of Information and Library Science on Saturday, March 4, 2006.

His literary performance, “My name is Avi,” was well received by his many fans of all ages who came to see the author talk about his life and his writing.

The audience was engaged by Avi’s readings from his works such as, Poppy’s Return, The End of the Beginning, Things that Sometimes Happen, The Book Without Words and excerpts from his critically acclaimed book, Crispin at the Edge of the World.

The event was followed by a reception and a book signing for the enthusiastic crowd.

The biennial lecture honors the memory of Susan Steinfirst, a professor of children’s and young adult literature at SILS from 1976 to 1996. She dedicated her life to the promotion of the genre by teaching future librarians and by publishing scholarly works in the field.

Kilgour Lecture presented by OCLC’s Lorcan Dempsey


His talk focused on collaborative resources and networking and the changes being brought about through shared information. He noted that users will see services moved to the network level, which will allow photos, documents, research reports, etc. to be more available in a variety of places simultaneously.

The Lecture was established in 2004 by OCLC on Dr. Frederick G. Kilgour’s 90th birthday. It brings together scholars and leaders from around the world to share innovative ideas and cutting-edge research. The lecture honors Dr. Kilgour who was a distinguished research professor emeritus at SILS and founder of OCLC. He invented the WorldCat database in 1971, developing the concept of online shared cataloging.
The School of Information and Library Science celebrated the graduation of August and December 2005 students who received their doctoral, masters’ and bachelors’ degrees on December 18, 2005.

The commencement ceremony featured special guest speaker Susan L. Perry, senior advisor of The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and director of Programs for the Council on Library Information Resources and SILS alum (MSLS ’66), who presented, “Librarians. Are we still relevant? You bet we are!” Susan was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award by the SILS Alumni Board during the ceremony.
Winter 2005 commencement’s keynote speaker, Susan Perry, was honored during the ceremony as a distinguished alumna. Perry was pleasantly surprised when the award was presented by SILS Alumni Association Board President, Amy Gresko.

Perry, who graduated from SILS in 1966 with an MSLS, currently serves as senior advisor to the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, director of Programs for the Council on Libraries and Information Resources (CLIR).

As a senior advisor to the Foundation, Perry works with libraries and the National Institute for Technology and Liberal Education, a Mellon-supported initiative to help Mellon-supported liberal arts colleges with issues regarding teaching and learning with technology. At CLIR, her position allows her to collaborate with liberal arts college library directors and she serves as one of the deans of The Frye Institute.

Perry has sat on the American Libraries Association Council, the EDUCAUSE Board, the New Media Centers Board, the Seminars on Academic Computing Board and the Coalition for Networked Information Steering Committee. She is currently serving on the InCommon Executive Committee and the National Advisory Board for a two year grant from the Institute of Museum & Library Services to study the future of librarians and information professions in the workforce.

Two faculty members were honored with Outstanding Teacher Awards for the 2005-2006 school year during the school’s May 15 commencement ceremony. Dr. Stephanie W. Haas, professor; and Lisa Norberg, adjunct assistant professor of practice, were nominated by students on the basis of their teaching excellence, innovation, classroom instruction and mentoring.

“[She] is well-known by both students and colleagues as a very giving person always ready to do what is needed for students, the school and the profession,” said last year’s recipient Dr. Jerry D. Saye, professor.

Haas was given the award based on her strong relationships with students and her dedication to educating them “not just for today,” but for what they may encounter in the future.

A member of the SILS faculty since 1989, Haas specializes in natural language processing, information retrieval, sublanguage and terminology, genre and discourse structure. She is a respected scholar and teacher who consistently receives nominations for the Outstanding Teacher Award as well as excellent reviews from both students and her peers. She received the award the first year it was established in 1997.

Lisa Norberg received a special award specifically honoring an adjunct faculty member. She was described by those nominating her as “an excellent classroom instructor who is committed and inspiring” and a “model teacher and practitioner” whose teaching and professional example has been a beacon for students. Norberg is active in students’ lives both in and out of the classroom; they seek her out as an advisor and mentor.

In addition to Norberg’s role as adjunct assistant professor of practice at SILS, she is the coordinator of instructional services for the Academic Affairs Library at UNC at Chapel Hill. 
SILS doctoral student wins National Library of Medicine Fellowship

The National Library of Medicine (NLM) has awarded School of Information and Library Science doctoral student John MacMullen a multi-year biomedical informatics fellowship. The award will fund MacMullen’s dissertation research which will be a collaborative effort between himself and Stanford University’s Department of Genetics and the Gene Ontology Consortium.

“The amount of biological data and scientific publication from different specialties have grown tremendously in the past decade,” MacMullen said. “This makes it difficult for scientists to bring together related information from multiple organisms. Some researchers are addressing the problem with manually-curated relationships using Gene Ontology annotations. Our work investigates ways to evaluate the effectiveness and quality of annotations made by scientific curators. This may lead to better information integration across databases.”

The fellowship began in spring 2006 and will provide MacMullen the opportunity to conduct experiments on annotation quality in model organism databases. It includes a stipend and reimbursements for tuition, fees, insurance, travel and research expenses.

MacMullen earned his MSIS from SILS in 1997, and holds a B.S. from Northeastern University. He has been a member of the Annotation Research group at SILS since 2004. He worked as a project manager in the data communications industry for several years before returning to UNC as a research fellow at the Health Sciences Library. He then entered the doctoral program in 2002.

SILS Ph.D. student awarded fellowship

Doctoral student Abe Crystal has received the 2006 Zipf Fellowship in Information Management. The $10,000 award is sponsored by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) and according to its Web site, is given to a current graduate student who “shows exceptional promise for leadership and technical achievement in information management.”

“I am honored to receive the Zipf fellowship, which will enable me to focus on and extend my dissertation research,” Crystal said.

The fellowship honors information management pioneer A.R. Zipf, who brought innovation to the banking industry during his forty-year career with the Bank of America.

In addition, Crystal’s collaborative paper with SILS Assistant Professor Jane Greenberg, “Relevance criteria identified by health information users during Web searches,” was published online June 8 in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T).

Ph.D. student, Mary Wilkins Jordan, has been appointed Chair of the Public Library Association’s Recruitment of Public Librarians committee. She has been a member of the committee for two years, and wrote an article about a survey the committee did that was published in the journal Public Libraries last year. Mary was also recently appointed to the American Library Association Orientation, Training and Leadership Development Committee.

MSLS student Elizabeth Matson has received the Patton Boggs Graduate Internship at the Ackland Art Museum. She will be working on collection management and curatorial projects as well as some general museum administrative tasks during the 2006-2007 school year.

Heather McCullough, MSIS student, made presentations this spring at the UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference in Raleigh and at the Conference of the Mid-Atlantic Association for Language Learning Technology held at the College of Charleston.

Fred Stutzman has been quoted in several journals and news articles recently on the topics of Facebook.com and MySpace. On March 8, 2006, he was quoted in an article entitled, “Alarms sound over athletes’ Facebook time,” in USA Today. He was also quoted in the The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on July 16, 2006 in another athletic article discussing college sports teams and social networking sites like MySpace and FaceBook.

Megan Winget successfully defended her dissertation on June 9. Megan will be joining the University of Texas at Austin faculty in the fall.
Graduate works for Nobel Peace Prize winning organization

Anthony “Tony” Bull has worked at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) since graduating from the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) with an MSIS in May 2003. In October 2005, the IAEA and its director were recognized as Nobel Peace Prize laureates when the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the prize. IAEA is located in Vienna, Austria, and its Director General, Mohamed ElBaradei received the prestigious prize for their work of “incalculable importance.”

The Nobel Foundation recognized the organization and its director for “their efforts to prevent nuclear energy from being used for military purposes and to ensure that nuclear energy for peaceful purposes is used in the safest possible way.” This award comes during a period of nuclear threats and the Foundation wanted to acknowledge the importance of promoting peace through “international cooperation.” The prize was presented at a ceremony on December 10, 2005 in Oslo, Norway.

Bull is currently a developer for a project management Web application which is used for approximately 1,400 projects around the world. The system manages everything from organizing the logistics of nuclear knowledge exchange, to the delivery of X-Ray machines, to the training of the next generation of nuclear scientists.

“Although I’m primarily involved in the technical aspects of Web development, I do get a chance to practice the user-centered design and information architecture skills I learned while at SILS,” Bull said. “One of the larger responsibilities I’ve had since joining the Agency was managing a cross-departmental project to bring several hundred information resources together.”

“Tony was an active leader during his time at SILS, serving as ASIST Student Chapter President, and organizing an alumni mentoring program for students,” said Dr. Gary Marchionini, Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor. “His dedication to information to serve human needs was apparent during his studies here and it is no surprise that he is involved with an agency that has been honored for advancing the cause of international peace. He is an inspiration for informational professionals everywhere.”

Greetings from SILS Alumni Association

Greetings from the SILS Alumni Association! The heat of summer is finally showing signs of retreat and the leaves are just starting to show some fall colors. As always, it is a beautiful thing to be in Chapel Hill! Since the last edition of the newsletter, the SILSAA Board has stayed quite busy. At December’s commencement ceremony, Susan Lane Perry was presented with the Distinguished Alumni Award. Susan is currently the senior advisor for Liberal Arts Colleges at the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and director of Programs at the Council on Library and Information Resources.

In January, we presented two graduate students, Monica McCor- nick and Phil Binkowski, with Elfreda A. Chatman Research Awards as well as $150 each for their outstanding Masters Paper proposals.

This spring, SILSAA organized the Career Mentoring Connection (formerly known as Mentoring Week) which paired undergraduate and graduate SILS students with local professionals in their areas of interest. We want to thank everyone who volunteered to be a mentor this year and hope you will consider participating in the future.

May commencement marked the end of another academic year at SILS. Evelyn Poole-Kober was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award this spring for her contributions to special librarianship and her continued support and advocacy for SILS. She is an expert sole-librarian managing all library services for the Atmospheric Sciences Modeling Division Library in the EPA’s National Exposure Research Laboratory and the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration Air Resources Laboratory. Four students were given Outstanding Service to the School awards along with checks for $50 each: Ron Bergquist (Doctoral), Joan Petit and Maggie Hite (Masters), and John Walker (Undergraduate).

Looking ahead, we will be hosting our traditional New Student Reception on the afternoon of September 21st. This year the event will be held right outside the Pleasants Room in Wilson Library, and all alumni are encouraged to come and greet the new students. The reception is during the 75th anniversary celebration week and we hope you will be a part of the events!

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 “sil” or “alumni” (a more directed search, unfortunately, is not possible). Find the “sil-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/
Peace Corps attracts SILS graduate

Lewis Dorman (MSLS ’05) was already a baseball fan when he began his Steele Internship at the National Baseball Hall of Fame where he worked with Giamatti Research Library Archives.

His interest in the sport continued as he worked with Dr. Jerry Saye, SILS professor, on his master’s paper on pre-WWII baseball. Dorman completed his paper in Prague, Czech Republic, which sparked a new goal of working abroad in a field that would allow him to combine his education and service work. It was at this point that Dorman decided to apply and ultimately accept a position teaching in English and working in a library in Azerbaijan as a Peace Corps volunteer.

Dorman left to begin his volunteering in July and is excited about having the opportunity to bring his passion for baseball, education and service to Azerbaijan for the next two years.

SILS alumnus Dr. Robert S. Martin nominated to National Council on the Humanities

President George W. Bush has nominated SILS graduate, Dr. Robert S. Martin (Ph.D. ’88), to serve on the National Council on the Humanities, an advisory board to the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

The National Council on the Humanities is a board of 26 distinguished private citizens appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate who advise the chairman of the NEH. Martin’s service to the board is a six-year term ending January 26, 2012.

“With his impressive accomplishments at the national and international levels, Bob Martin is an excellent fit for this appointment,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the School of Information and Library Science at UNC at Chapel Hill. “He will bring significant expertise and knowledge to the Board as it provides recommendations to the NEH.”

The NEH is an independent grant-making agency that seeks to promote research and the development of programs in humanities throughout the United States.

Created in 1965, the endowment provides the largest amount of funds to humanities programs in the country through grants to pursue its mission of preserving and providing access to cultural resources, education, research and public programs.

Cultural institutions including libraries, universities, museums, media organizations and individuals are recipients of grants from NEH. The NEH aims to fulfill wide-ranging and ambitious goals to:

- Strengthen teaching and learning in the humanities in schools and colleges across the nation
- Facilitate research and original scholarship
- Provide opportunities for lifelong learning
- Preserve and provide access to cultural and educational resources
- Strengthen the institutional base of the humanities

Martin was the first librarian to direct the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS), “the primary source of federal support for the nation’s 122,000 libraries and 17,500 museums.” Under his leadership, the budget for IMLS increased from $232,321,000 to $280,564,000. The agency funded nearly $900 million to libraries and museums across the nation. Martin completed the four-year term as director of IMLS in July 2005. He is currently the Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in Library Science and a professor at Texas Woman’s University. He is also a member of the Louis Round Wilson Academy.

“I am extremely honored to have been nominated to serve on the Council,” said Martin. “The Council plays an indispensable role in the Endowment’s pursuit of excellence in funding projects to enhance access to-and appreciation for-the humanities. I consider it a high privilege to be invited to work with them in this effort. I look forward to working with other members of the Council and the staff of the National Endowment for the Humanities.”

Martin’s service extends to the Executive Committee of the U.S. Commission on UNESCO where he is as an active member. He was recognized as a 2005 distinguished fellow by the Council on Library and Information Resources, and he recently received special recognition for 25 years of service at the National Arts Awards from the Americans for the Arts organization. Martin is special advisor to the president of OCLC for cultural heritage institutions. He has served on seven editorial boards including Libraries and Culture, Library Quarterly, American Archivist, and the College and Research Libraries News.
Skip Auld named library director of Durham County

Hampton “Skip” Auld (MSLS ’80) was appointed director of library services at Durham County Government’s main library and its seven branches on July 10, 2006. Auld, who has been involved in the library profession for more than 25 years, recently served as the assistant library director for Chesterfield County Public Library near Richmond, Va.

“Skip Auld is a seasoned library professional,” Durham County Manager Mike Ruffin said in a recent press release about the appointment. “He possesses a tremendous amount of ability and brings great enthusiasm to this new opportunity.”

Auld is responsible for leading the Durham County Library system as it strives to provide quality library services that are responsive to community needs.

“Durham is a great place to live and work!” said Auld. “I love working with our librarians and other library workers. I love meeting people throughout the Durham community. I’m taking time to learn the concerns and ideas of our staff and boards and getting ready to develop a strategic planning process to develop our key goals for the next few years. We already know that we’ll be designing and building more regional libraries and studying the best way to renovate or otherwise renew library service out of our Main Library.”

Auld added his personal vision statement, which is: “I believe in the promise of libraries as the most vital places where people of all ages gather to freely pursue knowledge, information and enjoyment of life,” Auld said. “Libraries should provide innovative and traditional services at the greatest possible convenience to customers in the most cost-effective way.” He said he sees one of his primary roles as helping staff at all levels find ways to make library services innovative, vital, convenient and focused on the needs of the users.

Auld has also worked in the Carroll County Public Library system in Westminster, Md., Duke University Libraries and the Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. Along with his professional experience, he has been a member of the American Library Association and the Public Library Association.

Movers and Shakers: SILS Alumni recognized for their marketing, innovating and community building

Building community relationships and making information accessible to the people that need it are common goals of the three School of Information and Library Science alumni, included in the Library Journal’s 2006 “Movers and Shakers.” Jill Stover (MSLS ’04), Jeannie Dilger-Hill (MSLS ’93) and Tim Bucknall (MSLS ’89) were among the 50 professionals acknowledged as “the people shaping the future of libraries” for 2006.

Jill Stover (MSLS ’04), currently an undergraduate services librarian at Virginia Commonwealth University, was recognized in the “Marketers” category for showing patrons how to use the libraries in their daily lives. To make the library more visible and accessible, Stover has cultivated relationships with various campus organizations, setting up library booths at campus events and establishing a “Research Outpost” in the computer lab. She has also established a Web log that cleverly integrates marketing ideas and everyday life — including an analogy between a Food Network cooking show and the ways in which librarians “sell themselves and their services” to patrons.

Jeannie Dilger-Hill (MSLS ’93) was recognized as a Mover and Shaker in the “Community Builders” category. She serves as outreach services manager at the King County Library System in Issaquah, Wash., and she has come to appreciate bookmobiles and the rewarding experiences they provide. According to the Library Journal, Dilger-Hill enjoys the daily challenges of working with eight vehicles, but loves serving people in the community who would otherwise not have access to books and materials. The vehicles visit “130 nursing homes, senior centers, low-income housing developments, rehabilitation centers and hospitals providing fair and equal access to information upon which a democratic society depends.”

For years Tim Bucknall (MSLS ’89) has been dedicated to the widespread dissemination of information, allowing patrons to access information that would otherwise remain hidden behind passwords and user fees. Now, in his current position as the assistant director at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro Libraries and head of Electronic Resources and Information Technologies at Jackson Library, Bucknall has become a leader in the field and was recognized as an “Innovator” by the Library Journal. Bucknall is the developer and creator of the Carolina Consortium, a group of academic libraries that have combined their purchasing power to gain access to scholarly electronic resources. He has also assisted in the creation and implementation of Journal Finder, an OpenURL link resolver used by more than 25 universities.
2005

Marie R. Kennedy, has accepted the position of head, Metadata and Content Management at the Norris Medical Library. The library is on the health science campus of the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, CA.

2004

Ph.D. graduate Debbie Travers is a team member on the North Carolina Disease Event Tracking and Epidemiologic Collection Tool (NC DETECT), which was recognized as a winner of the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) award for excellence.

2003

Christy Allen (MSLS) was hired as a Digitization Projects Librarian to oversee the Digitization Program at the State Library of North Carolina.

Amy Gresko's (MSLS) master's paper was cited by Allyson Aird, et. Al. in the HIMMS award for excellence.

2002

MSLS graduate Neil Hollands' paper, “Improving the Model for Interactive Readers’ Advisory Service,” was published in the Spring 2006 issue of Reference and User Services Quarterly. Hollands cited C.L. Quillen, a 2001 MSLS graduate, in the paper.

2001

Ella Buhler, daughter of Amy Buhler, MSLS, attended her first Medical Library Association conference in Phoenix, AZ with her mom. Amy works at the University of Florida as a reference librarian.

Amy Ising, MSIS, is a team member on NC DETECT, was recognized as a winner of the HIMMS award for excellence.

Ph.D. graduate Lokman I. Meho’s paper “E-mail interviewing in qualitative research: A methodological discussion,” was published in the June 8th online edition of the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology.


2000

Heidi Bulter (MSLS) and her husband Rodney welcomed their “little mitten,” Maeve Garnet, on April 16, 2006.

MSLS graduate Kerri Odess-Harnish’s master’s paper was cited in the most recent edition of G. Edward Evans’ collection development textbook.

1989

June Stephensen, (MSLS) is a coordinator of disaster volunteers in disaster management, was recognized during National Nurses’ Week for her volunteer efforts at the Greater Richmond Chapter during Hurricane Katrina.

1986

In March of 2006, Richard Ramponi (MSLS) was named director of the library at the Washington, D.C. office of Latham & Watkins, LLP. The DC office has approximately 200 attorneys and more than 1,800 attorneys in 10 counties around the world.

1977

Rosemary Green is currently a Ph.D. candidate in the Faculty of Education at Deakin University in Melbourne, Australia. In April 2006, Rosemary presented two papers at the Off Campus Library Services Conference titled “Fostering a Community of Graduate Learners” and “Observations from the Field: Sharing a Literature Review Rubric.” Both papers will be published in the Journal of Library Administration in 2007.

Patricia Harris receives 2006 LITA Award

SILS alumna, Patricia R. Harris (MSLS 1970) has won the 2006 Library and Information Technology Association (LITA) Library Hi Tech Award for Outstanding Communication in Library and Information Technology. “The award recognizes outstanding achievement in communicating to educate practitioners within the library field in library and information technology.

Until late-2005 Harris was the executive director of the National Information Standards Organization (NISO), where she worked with leaders in publishing, library and vendor communities gaining partners to develop, promote and support standards for information. Because of Harris’ efforts, librarians are “key players in the development of information technology standards.”

“Throughout my career technology has been a key driver in the transformation of library and information services, so it is gratifying that my work in standards development to support technology has been recognized in this way,” said Harris.

LITA is a division of the sponsor of the award, the American Library Association.

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2006 SILS Technical Reports

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TR-2006-03  
“Library Websites for Elementary-aged Children: A Comparative Analysis.” By Carter, Tyson; Durbin, Dayna; and McCraw, Jenny

TR-2006-02  
“Audio Surrogation for Digital Video: A Design Framework.” By Boekelheide, Kristin; Brown, E. Ashley Rogers; Fu, Xin; Marchionini, Gary; Oh, Sanghee; Rogers, Gershom; Saelim, Billy; Song, Yaxiao; and Stutzman, Fred.

TR-2006-01  
“The Influence of Context and Interactivity on Video Browsing.” By Wildemuth, Barbara M.; Russell, Terrell, Ward, T. J.; Marchionini, Gary; & Oh, Sanghee.

Dr. Nancy Davenport nominated for national commission

Dr. Nancy Davenport, Louis Round Wilson Academy member, has been nominated by President George W. Bush to serve as a member of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC).

“The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), a statutory body affiliated with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), supports a wide range of activities to preserve, publish, and encourage the use of documentary sources, created in every medium ranging from quill pen to computer, relating to the history of the United States.” It is a 15 member commission chaired by the nation’s archivist. The Commission was created in 1934 by the United States Congress.

Davenport is the past president of the Council on Library and Information Services. She served more than 26 years at the Library of Congress where she held several leadership positions including director of acquisitions, head of the Congressional Research Service (CRS), coordinator of Members Committee Relations for the CRS and director of Special Programs—among other job titles.

“With her past experiences, Nancy is an excellent choice for this appointment,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS and founding chair of The Knowledge TrustSM and the Louis Round Wilson Academy. “She understands libraries, publications and records, and she is dedicated to ensuring preservation of key resources, improving access to them and strengthening the profession.”

SILS to Host Third Annual Electronic Records Research Fellowship Symposium

The third annual National Historical Publications and Records Commission’s (NHPRC) Electronic Records Research Fellowship Symposium will be hosted at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill by the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) on Oct. 6, 2006.

The symposium will focus on how archivists and record managers manage and preserve electronic records and how they can further institutional objectives with regard to electronic records.

The 2005-2006 NHPRC Electronic Records Research Fellows will present their research results at the symposium. Topics that will be discussed include: electronic records management in Fortune 100 corporations, colleges and universities; content management systems; and HIPAA-aware EAD finding aids.

Dr. Seamus Ross, an international expert in digital curation and preservation and director of the Humanities Advanced Technology and Information Institute (HATII) at the University of Glasgow will join the Fellows and present the keynote address, “Uncertainty, Risk, Trust, and Digital Persistency.”

The symposium will run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Pleasants Family Room of the Louis Round Wilson Library on the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill campus. The event is open to members of the University and the public. Registration is free and a sign-up form is available at: http://sils.unc.edu/news/nhprc/

The Electronic Records Research Fellowship Symposium is a joint project of SILS and the Academic Affairs Libraries at UNC at Chapel Hill and the Duke University Libraries.

IN MEMORIAM

Page Ackerman – BSLS 1940
Frances Pate Adams – MSLS 1933
Margaret Fisher Clifton – MSLS 1967
Jo “Elyna” Eller Dewer – BSLS 1948
Jeanne-Marie LeBlanc Gilmore – ABLS 1937
T. Ellis Hodgson – MSLS 1967
Margaryt Farris Huff – BSLS 1948
Alma Ormond Husketh – MSLS 1966
Mabel Barrett Jones –BSLS 1946
Elisabeth Redfern Moore – ABLS 1939
Louise Patrick Newton – BSLS 1941
Nadine Burnett Nixon – BSLS 1952
Fannie Corbett O’Keef – BSLS 1949
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