On September 18, 2006, the School of Information and Library Science launched a year-long celebration commemorating its 75th anniversary.

The event was held in Memorial Hall on the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill campus and featured special guests, Michael Ruettgers, senior advisor and retired chairman, EMC Corporation; Dr. Robert Martin, (Ph.D. ’88) Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in Library Science and professor at Texas Women’s University; and Kathryn Mendenhall (MSLS ’76), acting director for Partnerships and Outreach Programs and for Technology Policy, Library of Congress who spoke on behalf of Dr. Deanna Marcum, associate librarian for Library Services, Library of Congress.

Special words of congratulations were shared by Dr. Bernadette Gray-Little, UNC at Chapel Hill’s executive vice chancellor and provost; United States Congressman, David Price; Dr. Harold Martin, senior vice president for academic affairs; Lizbeth Evans, NC secretary of cultural resources; Mary Boone (MSLS ’73), NC state librarian; Sarah Michalak, associate provost for libraries and university librarian; David Goble (MSLS ’94), chair, SILS Board of Visitors and chair of the 75th Anniversary Planning Committee; and Mark Sanders (MSLS ’03), president, SILS Alumni Association.

A short video about the School and its beginnings provided an historical overview of the School. It showed...
Dear Colleagues:

Edward Sellner, a Celtic theologian, has said, “We inherit from our ancestors gifts so often taken for granted… We are links between the ages, containing past and present expectations, sacred memories and future promise.”

Links Between the Ages

At SILS this year, we are living very much in those links between the ages. We are honoring the gifts of our “ancestors” with the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the School, which will be culminated this September 17, 2007 in a grand fi nalé at Memorial Hall. At the same time we are energetically involved in planning for the future in a number of key areas: strategic planning, building planning and development campaign planning.

SILS 75th Anniversary

We enjoyed seeing so many of you this last September at the launch of our 75th anniversary. I’m sure you were informed and inspired by the remarks from several of our colleagues, the presentations by Michael Ruetgers, Dr. Robert Martin and Kathryn Mendenhall (who spoke on behalf of Dr. Deanna Marcum); and the musical harmonies of the Clef Hangers. I especially valued the opportunity to see and talk to so many alumni, and was reminded again of the ongoing sense of connection and community with SILS that our graduates maintain throughout their careers and lives.

Our final 75th celebration will feature Dr. Vartan Gregorian as our keynote presenter. Dr. Gregorian is president of the Carnegie Corporation in New York and winner of the National Humanities Medal and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation’s highest civilian honor. He has a broad academic history serving as founding dean of Faculty of Arts and Sciences and then provost of the University of Pennsylvania, and president of Brown University. He also served as president of the New York Public Library for eight years. Former governor Jim Hunt will join us to introduce Dr. Gregorian. We hope you will be able to join us for what is sure to be a grand fi nalé.

Strategic Planning

SILS is at a dynamic crossroads as we face the future. To assist us in articulating what the School of Information and Library Science of the future should and can be — and how we get from where we are to that future — Guy St. Clair, president and consultant of SMR International has joined us to collect pertinent information and ideas and to produce a plan for the SILS community, most specifically the deans, faculty, staff and alumni, to review, react to, modify and act upon.

Contributing key information and recommendations will be the “Accreditation Report” from the School’s successful reaccreditation by the American Library Association (ALA). We were delighted that our master’s in library science and master’s in information science programs have both been very positively reaccredited for the next seven years. Many of our faculty, staff and students participated in the reaccreditation process and we greatly appreciated all the time and thought they put into assisting.

Building Planning

Planning for a new physical structure for SILS will begin in April with the selected architectural fi rm. SILS, even at our current size, outgrew our present home some years ago and it is not an understatement to say that we are bursting at the seams, a fact that the ALA Accreditation External Review Panel signifi cantly noted in their fi nal report. We are very pleased that we have the opportunity to not only plan for more space but to design that space in ways that will enable the expansion and advancement of the School.

Illuminating the Past, Imagining the Future

Charles Kettering, the American inventor, suggested “Our imagination is the only limit to what we can hope to have in the future.” At SILS we are fortunate that we have a lustrous past that provides us a powerful foundation for imagining the future. Please mark your calendars now for our fi nal 75th anniversary celebration, and we will be working to further honor your interest and support of the School in our strategic and building planning over the next few months.

Sincerely,

Dr. José-Marie Griffiths
Five honored at inaugural Knowledge Trust Honors Program

Five trailblazers in information and library science and information technology were honored Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006 during the first Knowledge Trust Honors ceremony.

The Knowledge TrustSM is a commitment made in October 2005 by the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to shape a critical role for 21st-century knowledge professionals.

At the ceremony in Washington, D.C., five knowledge masters who have made significant differences in education, exploration, innovation, next-generation leadership and lifetime achievement were named.

The 2006 honorees are Gary E. Strong, university librarian at the University of California, Los Angeles; Dr. Joseph Viscomi, James G. Kenan distinguished professor of English at UNC at Chapel Hill; Dr. Paul Jones, director of the ibiblio Web collection at UNC at Chapel Hill; Wes Cruver, chief creative officer and cofounder of Kidz Online, based in Herndon, VA; and Dr. Donald A.B. Lindberg, director of the National Library of Medicine at the National Institutes of Health.

“As in all aspects of rapid change, there are those who easily adapt to and excel in new environments — those who rise above when they are told they cannot succeed, to prove that they can,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the UNC school and founding chair of The Knowledge TrustSM and the Louis Round Wilson Academy. “The Knowledge Trust Honors Program judges have selected exemplars: pioneers and leaders who are standard-bearers of excellence in their particular endeavor.”

Academy members nominated candidates for each award. The Academy, formed last fall and based at the UNC school, includes world leaders in library and information science, technology management and other professions.

The honors program is designed to encourage students and other knowledge professionals entering or already working in information and library science and information technology to look to these models as they plan their own careers.

The 2006 Knowledge Trust Honors Awards and recipients, with excerpts from their award citations, are:

The Education Award, for furthering the intelligence, integrity, responsibility and reliability of successive generations of knowledge professionals, creators and users. Strong, of UCLA, has been a leader in the evolution of librarianship, working as a librarian and library administrator, for more than 30 years.

From 1980 through 1994, he was California state librarian, helping to create the California Research Bureau, one of the state’s finest public policy organizations.

From 1994 until 2003, Strong was head of the Queens Borough Public Library in New York, one of the nation’s busiest, serving one of its most diverse counties. The Queens system encompasses a central library, 62 community libraries and six adult learning centers.

Strong believes in equity, quality, social service and appropriate use of technology. The award recognizes his vision of the role of libraries in stimulating and supporting education and learning in all its forms for the communities they serve. His commitment to education and learning, and to the systems and services that support an ongoing learning environment and culture, demonstrates a long-term vision for individual empowerment through knowledge, tolerance and understanding.

The Exploration Award, for creating or compiling new knowledge, tools and services. Viscomi co-edited and created the William Blake Archive, a hypertext of Blake’s poetry and art, based on approximately 5,500 images – two-thirds from the illuminated books and one-third from Blake’s paintings, drawings and engravings – transferred to digital form.

Conceived and designed in 1993-95, and a free site on the World Wide Web since 1996, the award-winning archive is an international public resource that provides unified access to major works of visual and literary art that are highly disparate, widely dispersed and often severely restricted as a result of their value, rarity and extreme fragility.

The Blake Archive has had a significant impact on teaching and scholarship related to Blake’s works. It also has challenged the traditional notion of literary criticism by virtue of the ways in which elements of Blake’s work can be viewed, moved, modified and juxtaposed.

The Innovation Award, was presented for furthering the creative and innovative use of, and balanced access to, the world’s recorded knowledge. Besides directing ibiblio, Jones is a clinical associate professor in two UNC schools: Information and Library Science, and Journalism and Mass Communication.

Since high school, he has been a master of both computers and poetry. He helped establish the Internet Poetry Archive and has directed the Poets Exchange at the ArtSchool in Carrboro, NC. He also was a founding board member of the North Carolina Writers’ Network. But it is for his work as founder, manager and on-going director of ibiblio that he has become an Internet legend.

Jones was the architect of one of the first World Wide Web sites in North America, SunSITE.unc.edu. Now known as ibiblio, the site is home to one of the largest collections of collections on the Internet.

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Louis Round Wilson Academy adopts education resolution

by Kathleen McClatchey

About two years ago, as the premier institution of its kind, UNC SILS established and formalized a program called The Knowledge TrustSM, to originate, formalize and build awareness and demand for 21st century librarians.

A central pillar of the program is the Louis Round Wilson Academy, a carefully selected group of global thought leaders and information revolutionaries who serve as a modern-day “council of elders.” Using their extensive knowledge of information and library sciences, the Academy meets periodically to assist SILS in understanding how best to prepare students for the new contexts, vocabularies, platforms and roles they will face in our changing profession.

This last October, the Academy met in Washington, D.C. for two days of meetings, on either side of the first Knowledge Trust Honors program (see story on page 3). Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, SILS’ dean, and Dan Morrow, co-founder and principal of Jamestown Exploration Company, led the meetings, and the discussions were facilitated by Dr. David Carr, SILS’ senior faculty member.

Participants included about 20 luminaries, including Paul Jones from SILS’ faculty, and both national and international leaders in the profession, from academic, corporate and government organizations.

At this meeting three new members were welcomed into the Academy: Mr. Ángel González Lara, archivist and librarian, Research and Documentation Directorate, Spanish Parliament (Congress of Deputies); Mr. Gordon Tibbits, president, Blackwell Publishing, Inc., and Dr. Beth Fitzsimmons, president, Information Strategists.

Each time the Academy meets conversations are focused around certain dimensions of the endeavors of information scientists and librarians. In the meetings in October, the group focused on the issues of “educating for knowledge,” from talking about emerging new situations of knowledge use to educating for the contexts of knowledge, from how best to construct “knowledge education” to understanding what does and does not exist in terms of a public sphere for knowledge education.

Dr. Griffiths began the meeting with thoughts about educating for the values and contexts of knowledge. Quoting Will Durant’s statement that “civilization begins with order, grows with liberty and dies with chaos” she discussed the role that librarianship has had for hundreds of years creating order out of chaos in the organizing, cataloging and accessing of knowledge collections. She then posited the increased need for that role in the world of ubiquitous information that we are now experiencing with the advance of technology and the Information Age.

The Academy then addressed their discussions to a number of questions:
- How does knowledge have critical value for policy, research, education, health, commerce and democracy?
- How do the forms and uses of knowledge differ among these spheres?
- And what should be the character and structure of education designed to address these situations of critical knowledge use?

The group also spent time talking about the larger world in which we serve. How should we understand context? What is the relationship of context to knowledge? Is there an agenda for knowledge in elementary and secondary education? How do we relate to that? What steps should be taken toward leadership and advocacy in education for knowledge?

Following their discussions the Academy wrote and approved the “Statement on Education, The Knowledge Trust and its Stewards” (see box on this page).

Statement on Education, The Knowledge Trust and its Stewards

We the members of the Louis Round Wilson Academy, mindful of our personal and professional responsibilities as stewards of the Knowledge Trust, and of our duty to those who will succeed us, do, on this day, October 13, 2006, in Washington, D.C. hereby adopt and affirm the following:

Statement on Education, The Knowledge Trust and its Stewards

We resolve to serve the needs of all those who would learn, and the needs of all those who would teach, to the best of our ability and for the improvement of all humankind.

Therefore, we resolve that those entrusted with the formal professional duty of educating future generations of knowledge professionals shall be:
- Committed to the ethical principles of stewardship and of the profession, to their active observance, to the transmission of those standards by word and deed to all students entrusted to their care and to advocacy of ethical behavior at the highest level.
- Committed to the principles of openness.
- Committed to the values of perspective: to the transmission of the knowledge and wisdom necessary to serve one’s role as both guide and guardian of The Knowledge Trust; to an understanding of the ever-changing nature of the Trust itself; and to a genuine understanding of the needs of those who serve, and are served by, the stewards of The Knowledge Trust.
- Committed to understanding and communicating the practical skills necessary to be of value to those who seek access to and contribute to The Knowledge Trust.
- Committed to the value and importance of all forms of knowledge.
- Appreciative and embracing of the inherent value and inevitability of change in the nature of The Knowledge Trust itself and in the tools by which it is preserved, protected, diffused and augmented over time.
- Personally committed to serve as an honorable steward of The Knowledge Trust, and to inspire in the next generation of stewards an appreciation of the nobility and value of the task.
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how our founder, Dr. Louis Round Wilson, was successful in securing approval and funding to create the School with a grant of $100,000 from the Carnegie Corporation and how the School maintains its original goal to produce graduates ready to face the ever-changing call for information in today’s world. Entertainment was provided by the Clef Hangers.

Also included in the festivities was a congratulatory letter from First Lady Laura Bush (see sidebar).

Dean Griffi ths acknowledged special guests in the audience including seven alumnae from the classes of 1938 to 1952. In attendance were: Alice Lee Googe Bauer, 1938; Ruth Robertson Prince, 1940; Margaret Starnes Atkins, 1942; Marjorie Wilkins Lindsey, 1943; Jane Ann McGregor and William Stevens Powell, 1947; and Virginia Waldrop Powell, 1952.


She then introduced the SILS Board of Visitors and acknowledged the leaders of the student groups: Megan Perez, president of the Information and Library Science Student Association; Kristina Spurgin, chair of the Doctoral Student Association; Sarah Haight, president of the Art & Museum Library and Information Student Society; Noel Fiser, president of the Student Chapter of the American Society for Information Science and Technology; Bonnie Brzozowski, president of the Student Chapter of the American Library Association; Dawne Howard, president of the Student Chapter of the Society of American Archivists; Alison Waldenberg, president of the Student Chapter of the Special Libraries Association; and Mia Barnes, president of Information Science Student Undergraduates Empowered.

The crowd was entertained with the musical abilities of the Clef Hangers who sang “I Get Around” in honor of Louis Round Wilson, “Carolina On My Mind” and the UNC alma mater, “Hark the Sound.”

“The duty and the challenge and responsibility are ours,” said Griffi ths. “We must live our lives and serve our profession, change our school and prepare for the future as if, to paraphrase the poet, on us and on our deeds depended the fate of all, and we alone must answer for it. But we are not alone, we stand in the midst and on the shoulder of giants.

“A holy host of others round us truly, our faculty, our friends and supporters and three quarters of a century of excellence.”

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The Next Generation Leadership Award, is for young people whose study, innovation and independent thought shed new light on the world’s recorded knowledge. Cruver, now 25, was only 12 when he began what would later become Kidz Online, a high-tech digital video production and distribution organization that provides technology training to underprivileged students in inner-city Washington, D.C.

Cruver and other volunteers use their technology skills and know-how to help educate students on the basics of computers, navigating the Internet and creating Web sites. This youth-teaching-youth approach, developed by Cruver, became one of the key hallmarks of Kidz Online. Cruver is currently involved in training students for the 14 high-growth industries highlighted by the President’s High Growth Job Training Initiative and the Department of Labor.

The Wilson Prize for Lifetime Achievement recognizes a lifetime of accomplishment in knowledge exploration, compilation and stewardship in service to society. Lindberg has been called a trailblazer of medical informatics, pioneering the concept of applying computer technology to health care as early as 1960.

Besides his career in pathology, Lindberg has made notable contributions to information and computer activities in medical diagnosis, artificial intelligence and educational programs. For 20 years, he has led the National Library of Medicine, one of the premier organizations for medical information and computing. The library is one of the largest and highly respected sources for health sciences information used by physicians, researchers and others.

Lindberg has the foresight to anticipate major medical changes and the need to store materials such as those associated with the Human Genome Project. He was responsible for creation of the Visible Human Project, an image database of the human body, which had been processed, scanned and stored for researchers and physicians.

Lindberg also fostered the development of MedlinePlus, a service offered on the Web to the public.

For more information about The Knowledge TrustSM, the Louis Round Wilson Academy or the Honors Program, please visit:

http://www.theknowledgetrust.org

Dear Friends:
I’m delighted to add my voice to the celebration of a great milestone in the life of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The 75th anniversary of the School of Information and Library Science is a perfect time to call attention to the ever-changing role that libraries and librarians play in the dissemination of knowledge and the development of our nation.

The last 75 years have seen an incredible explosion in the quantity and complexity of information and information systems, and the role of the librarian has been transformed accordingly. I salute the UNC School of Information and Library Science for its determination to maintain excellence through rededication, redefinition and commitment.

Throughout our country, people know that if they have a question, the answer is almost certainly at their nearest library. And when they get to the library, they will find a trained professional is there to help them. I send my deep admiration and gratitude to the professors, administrators and students of UNC who have committed themselves to this vital calling.

Best wishes for many successful decades to come.

Sincerely,
Laura Bush
Symposium studies vocabulary control of chief complaints

National experts researching the use of chief complaints in emergency department situations gathered at the “Towards Vocabulary Control for Chief Complaint: A National Symposium” on October 18, 2006. The symposium was held in conjunction with the “Fifth Syndromic Surveillance Conference” in Baltimore, MD.

The focus of the symposium was to discuss methods of improving how patients’ primary reasons for seeking care are reported in hospital emergency departments across the country—with the goal of improving the quality of chief complaints, thereby improving the aspects of clinical care, education, hospital operations, research and public health surveillance that depend upon it.

The symposium was structured around three topics:

- Understanding the problems and barriers encountered during use of chief complaints for clinical care, hospital operations, research and public health surveillance;
- Envisioning the characteristics and uses of a future with improved chief complaints; and
- Planning the means and actions needed to create the future.

“One of the most important accomplishments of the symposium was gathering nationally-known experts into the same room to discuss what they’d like the chief complaint data element to look like, and the actions we need to take to make it happen,” said Dr. Stephanie Haas, Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor at SILS and symposium organizer.

Outcomes of the symposium included recommendations for comparing existing controlled vocabularies with participants’ needs and requirements, a research agenda for exploring important vocabulary attributes such as size and granularity, and plans to establish an administrative structure to oversee the ongoing work.

A white paper detailing the symposium recommendations and proposed actions is forthcoming.

Those participating in the symposium included clinicians, researchers, public health officials and officials from state and federal health agencies from around the nation.

Members of the organizing committee included: Wendy Chapman, Department of Biomedical Informatics, University of Pittsburgh; Jenny Cook, Injury Prevention and Research Center, UNC at Chapel Hill; Stephanie W. Haas, School of Information and Library Science, UNC at Chapel Hill; Jennifer Kerwick, Department of Emergency Medicine, UNC at Chapel Hill; Bill Lober, Department of Health Sciences, University of Washington; Kathleen McNeil, Department of Emergency Medicine, UNC at Chapel Hill; Debbie Travers, School of Nursing, UNC at Chapel Hill; and Anna Waller, Department of Emergency Medicine, UNC at Chapel Hill.

The symposium was sponsored by SILS, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Department of Emergency Medicine, Injury Prevention Research Center, and the North Carolina Disease Tracking and Epidemiology Collection Tool (NC DETECT). It was offered in coordination with The International Society for Disease Surveillance and funded in part by the National Library of Medicine and T-System.

North Carolina People features Dean Griffiths and SILS alumni William S. Powell

The television broadcast North Carolina People featured Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s School of Information and Library Science, on Dec. 1, 2006 at 9 p.m. on UNC-TV. An encore presentation was broadcast on Dec. 3 with the episode airing on UNC-TV’s North Carolina channel (UNC-NC) during the week. For those who missed the broadcast, the video of the interview may be accessed via the Web site of North Carolina People with William Friday at: www.unctv.org/webcast/biographies/ncpeople.html?jmgriffiths

SILS alumni, William S. Powell (BSLS ’47) was also featured on North Carolina People on Dec. 15. Powell recently published his latest book, Encyclopedia of North Carolina and was interviewed by William Friday.

The broadcasts, which are productions of UNC-TV, features one-on-one interviews with former University of North Carolina President, William Friday, who hosts the long-running television show.

Friday says on the program’s Web site that, “North Carolina People has been an interesting and educational journey for me because I have learned so much from this talented array of citizens of our state. It is indeed a privilege to be a part of a program whose guests have provided so much inspiration and personal experience in their visits with our viewers. Each of them has been interesting, entertaining and instructive.”
The Knowledge Trust℠
Web site launches

A new Web site highlighting the activities of The Knowledge Trust℠ is now available. The site features information about The Knowledge Trust℠, the Louis Round Wilson Academy and the Honors Program.

The site includes bio information for each member of the Academy, decisions and resolutions from the group, archives and news.

Watch for more as the site develops at:

www.theknowledgetrust.org
“Uncertainty, Risk, Trust and Digital Persistence” was the subject of the keynote presentation on October 6, 2006 by Seamus Ross, director of the Humanities Advanced Technology and Information Institute at the University of Glasgow and associate director of the United Kingdom’s Digital Curation Centre.

The presentation, hosted by SILS, was part of the annual National Historic Publications and Records Commissions (NHPRC) Electronic Records Research Symposium which was held in the Louis Round Wilson Library on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Ross’ presentation addressed approaches to measuring uncertainty and managing risk of digital assets against the backdrop of the work of key European projects in the area of digital preservation and curation. The projects contribute to the global effort to address challenges that make long-term accessibility of digital materials an uncertain activity and risks difficult to assess and manage.

Fellows from the 2005-2006 grant year were in attendance to present their research results, and fellowship recipients for the 2006-2007 grant year discussed their project abstracts and research plans.

The 2005/2006 Fellows and their research included:

- Fortune 100 + Private 100 Electronic Records Management Study (Carol E. B. Choksy)
- Determining Current Practices for College and University Electronic Records Management Programs (Marcia Frank Peri & Lisl Zach)
- Developing the HIPAA-Aware EAD Finding Aid (Catherine Arnott Smith & Nancy McCall)

Current fellows’ projects, to be completed during the upcoming year include:

- Global XML Data Model — New Mexico Public Records (Daphne Arnaiz-DeLeon, Archives and Historical Services, New Mexico State Records Center and Archives)
- Metadata Models for Scientific Research Data (Kathryn Hammond Baker & Elizabeth Copenhagen, Countway Library, Harvard Medical School)
- A Recordkeeping Framework for Social Scientists Conducting Data-Intensive Research (Erin O’Meara, University of Oregon Libraries)
- Implications of the Bioterrorism Act of 2002 on Electronic Record Keeping in the Wine and Grape Industries (Kari Smith, University of Michigan School of Information)

Folkstreams, a Web site produced jointly by three University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill organizations and Folkstreams, Inc., has been awarded a National Leadership Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to continue its mission of archiving, digitizing and streaming documentary films about American folk and root culture.

A portion of the new $129,424 grant will allow the site to expand its collection of documentaries by 35 films. Folkstreams.net will use the remainder of the grant to produce original material relating to the Folkstreams project, including:

- a guide to best practices in video digitization
- video clips for the site’s “Video Aids for Film Preservation” section
- guides and outreach material for senior citizens and teachers
- “We labor from grant to grant,” said Tom Davenport, Folkstreams project director and independent filmmaker. “This award will help us achieve critical mass. We are already receiving about 500 requests a day for video streams. We expect more as the site grows.”

UNC’s School of Information and Library Science, Southern Folklife Collection, ibiblio.org and Folkstreams, Inc., launched folkstreams.net in 2000 as a national preserve of hard-to-find documentaries that give voice to diverse American groups. A valuable feature of the Web site is that it streams supporting materials along with a documentary. These include the filmmaker’s commentary and essays by scholars on the persons, cultures, activities and aesthetic traditions documented in the films, additional sound recordings and photographs, suggested readings and links to related Web sites. Users can view all of the site’s archived films and related materials free of charge.

Films currently available on the site range from The Music District, a documentary about African American traditional music groups, to Madison County Project: Documenting the Sound, a film “that examines the tradition of unaccompanied ballad singing in Madison County, North Carolina.”

“Putting these old films up on the Net is an old man’s dream,” Davenport said. “The material that we spent our youth recording and the films that we made back then seem relevant again. We are hopeful that these old materials may stimulate new ideas, music and films.”

Folkstreams.net is hosted by ibiblio.org, a free public library of digital material that provides server space and digital streams. UNC’s “Southern Folklife Collection” maintains the film and tape archives.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation’s 122,000 libraries and 15,000 museums. To learn more about the Institute, please visit: www.imls.gov
SILS programs reaccredited

The Master’s of Science Library Science and the Master’s of Science Information Science programs at the School of Information and Library Science have been reaccredited for a period of seven years by the American Library Association’s (ALA) Committee on Accreditation (COA). The approval for reaccreditation came after a process that began in 2005.

An excerpt from the final report of the COA said, “Given the strong foundation provided by the faculty and demonstrated attainment of its mission as represented by skilled graduates, SILS is deservedly recognized as an example of educational excellence.”

Drs. José-Marie Griffiths, Barbara Moran and Paul Solomon were coordinators for the school’s reaccreditation. There were many SILS faculty, staff, alumni and students involved in various stages of the process.

New Academic and Research Library Academy fellows selected

SILS announced in December the selection of eight fellows for the ARL Academy: Careers in Academic and Research Libraries.

The 2006–07 ARL Academy fellows are:

- Lyn Batty - J.D., Georgetown University Law School, Washington, D.C.
- Kim Burton-Oakes - currently completing her doctoral dissertation in the UNC Department of English on Literary Magic: Crafting Magic in Medieval Romance, Chapel Hill, NC
- Stephanie Horowitz - M.A. in Public History, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
- Jennifer Joyner - M.A. in History, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- Amit Kumar - Master of Dental Surgery, Mangalore University, KMC, Manipal, India
- Jennifer Solomon - M.F.A., Creative Writing, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- Vedana Vaidhyathanath - currently pursuing a master’s degree in Library Science with a specialization in Bioinformatics (Certificate in Bioinformatics Program), Chapel Hill, NC
- Todd Venie - J.D., Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

The ARL Academy recruits and prepares MLIS students who have received graduate degrees in other disciplines—or specialized educational accomplishments—for careers in academic and research librarianship. The Academy is a partnership between the American Research Libraries (ARL) and three library and information science schools: Catholic University of America, Simmons College and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The program is supported by a grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Services, the Laura Bush 21st-Century Librarian grant program.

“The ARL Academy has provided a wonderful opportunity for a group of very talented students with advanced degrees to prepare themselves for academic library careers,” said Dr. Joanne Marshall, grant principal investigator and Alumni Distinguished Professor at SILS. “The shifting demographics in the library workforce make it imperative that we have such programs in place to develop and mentor our future leaders.”

In addition to their SILS coursework, fellows:

- Participated in a Web cast on new models of research, teaching, and learning in academic libraries;
- Completed an intensive two part Leadership Institute at the American Library Association Midwinter Conference in Seattle, Washington and at ARL headquarters in Washington, DC, which included a full-day at the Library of Congress; and
- Complete custom-designed fellowship experiences in an ARL library.

Associate Dean Paul Solomon accompanied the 2005 Fellows to the Leadership Institute and commented that the Institute and other ARL resources provided Fellows “with extraordinary insights into emerging issues in academic librarianship as well as the mysteries of the academic library job market.”

Past ARL Fellows have included: Steve Bahnaman, Lisa Boxill, April Brewer, Emma Cryer, Ben Hunter, Leigh Jones and Joan Petit. The opportunities provided by the ARL fellowship experience have received high praise from past ARL fellows.

For more information about the 2006 ARL cohort, see http://sils.unc.edu/research/projects/arl_fellows_unc.htm
Library of Congress working group established to discuss future of bibliographic control

Advances in search-engine technology, the popularity of the Internet and the influx of electronic information resources have greatly changed the way libraries do their work. To address those changes, the Library of Congress has convened a Working Group on the Future of Bibliographic Control to examine the future of bibliographic description in the 21st century.

Libraries are looking at ways to catalog the avalanche of both print and digital materials that come to them for classification and control, and library managers worldwide recognize the need to examine critically the role of the catalog and its relationship to other methods of finding information. Building on the work and results of the Library’s Bicentennial Conference on Bibliographic Control for the New Millennium (2001), the new group will:

1) Present findings on how bibliographic control and other descriptive practices can effectively support management of and access to library materials in the evolving information and technology environment,

2) Recommend ways in which the library community can collectively move toward achieving this vision, and

3) Advise the Library of Congress on its role and priorities.

SILS dean José-Marie Griffiths serves as chair of the group.

“I agreed to chair this group because these issues are facing all libraries. It is an important opportunity for different sectors of the information profession to examine a common problem and recommend solutions that will benefit librarians and users,” she said.

Deanna Marcum, associate librarian for Library Services, hosted the first meeting and thanked the Working Group members for volunteering their time and expertise. Marcum is the convener of the group and will receive its recommendations.

“The Working Group will provide extremely valuable insight and guidance to the Library of Congress and the entire library community in an area critical to the future of librarianship and the continuing role of libraries in American society,” Marcum said.

During its inaugural meeting at the Library of Congress Nov. 2-3, Working Group members concluded that, rather than planning a single summit meeting on the future of bibliographic control, it would schedule three regional meetings during 2007. The venues will be in or near large airports in different regions of the United States to make it easier for a broad range of participants to travel to the meetings.

The Working Group also organized issues and affected parties into three broad categories: Uses and Users, Structures and Standards, and Economics and Organization. Each category will be the focus of one regional meeting in 2007. The meetings will be preceded by distribution of a background paper that gives an overview of the current environment in which bibliographic control operates.

In July or August, after the three meetings have taken place, the Working Group will meet again to draft a report and recommendations by Sept. 1 for public comments, which will be taken into account in the group’s final report, to be issued by Nov. 1, 2007.


SILS to host international symposium in digital curation

SILS will host DigCCurr2007, an international symposium on digital curation, April 18 - 20, 2007, at the William and Ida Friday Center.

The event is part of the “Preserving Access to Our Digital Future: Building an International Digital Curation Curriculum” project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is also a partner in this effort.

DigCCurr2007 will focus on what digital curation professionals do and what they need to know. Anyone interested in digital preservation and curation, especially those who are building staff expertise in these areas, is encouraged to attend.

The symposium will feature panel discussions and presentations by internationally-recognized experts and professionals from a broad range of academic and national libraries, data centers, information schools, IT companies and government entities.

Special topics include digital curation services and functions, mechanisms for influencing data curation practices and lessons learned from digital curation practitioners.

The symposium includes an opening night reception at the historic Wilson Library and a mid-conference reception at the Friday Center.

Those interested in learning more about or attending the symposium can find additional information at: www.ils.unc.edu/digccurr2007/
Solomon named 2007 Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor

Dr. Paul Solomon has been named Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor for 2007. Solomon, associate professor and associate dean, began his two-year McColl Term Professorship in January 2007.

“It is always a pleasure to recognize faculty who are achieving success in their work, especially to those who are making significant contributions to the School,” said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. “Paul is a devoted teacher and researcher who provides outstanding service to the school.”

The McColl Professorship was established in 1997 to recognize faculty who have made notable contributions to research, teaching and service to SILS. It provides a salary supplement and funds for research and travel to a single SILS faculty member for a two-year term.

Solomon has been a part of the SILS faculty since 1991. He has served as associate dean of the school since 2000 and as interim dean from July 1 to August 22, 2004.

Hugh McColl, Jr. established the McColl Professorship in memory of his mother, Frances Carroll McColl, and sister, Frances McColl Covington. A second McColl Term Professorship was made possible for 2005-2007 and 2006-2008 thanks to support from Bill (BSBA ’55) and Sara McCoy and Duncan Smith (MSLS ’80).


Marchionini receives Contribution to Information Science Award

The Los Angeles Chapter of the American Society of Information Science and Technology (LACASIS) selected Dr. Gary Marchionini, Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor, at the School of Information and Library Science to receive its 2006 Contribution to Information Science Award.

“I feel honored to have won this award and join the ranks of so many pioneers in information science,” Marchionini said. “Information science is increasingly recognized by the scholarly community as an emerging discipline and by the general population through the penetration of IT into their personal lives.”

“Each year LACASIS solicits nominations for the Contributions to Information Science & Technology Award (CISTA) to honor someone who has made significant contributions to the field,” said Rachael Green Clemens, nominations chair and past chair of LACASIS. “Recipients are individuals who are recognized by their colleagues as exceptional leaders whose dedication, commitment and vision inspire others, or whose singular contribution to the field of information science has been particularly significant. Dr. Gary Marchionini, School of Information & Library Science, University of North Carolina, was selected our 17th CISTA winner for the depth and importance of his research in information seeking behavior, human-computer interaction and digital libraries. He is a natural choice for this award—the caliber of his research is reflected in the caliber of the list of previous winners including Eugene Garfield, Michael Buckland, José-Marie Griffiths, Christine Borgman and Marcia Bates.”

The program was held on the campus of UCLA on Jan. 11, 2007, during the chapter’s annual awards dinner. Marchionini’s presentation had the highest number of LIS student attendees of any LACASIS programs in recent memory, speaking to the relevancy and currency of the topic, “Multimedia Surrogates,” and the recognition of Dr. Marchionini’s work.

Founded in 1961 as the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Documentation Institute, LACASIS is the southern California chapter of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST).

Brubaker named director of Instructional Technology

SILS graduate, Aaron Brubaker (MSIS ’06), has joined the School of Information and Library Science as director of Instructional Technology.

Brubaker is well qualified for his new position. As a student, he worked first as an assistant and then as a student manager in the Information Technology Resource Center, helping students, faculty and staff.

“The search committee and I are very pleased to have such a fine SILS graduate join us as a staff member,” said Scott Adams, director of Information Technology. “I am sure that many of you may have had the opportunity to work/interact with Aaron in class or when he worked as a student lab manager for us.”

As director of Instructional Technology, Brubaker will help SILS faculty and students use technology to enhance their teaching, learning and research.

“I’m very happy to be joining SILS and I look forward to working with everyone,” said Brubaker. “This position is a superb opportunity for me to contribute to the School by combining my previous work experience at Indiana University and Michigan State University with my master’s degree from SILS.”
Blake and Lee win Junior Faculty Awards

Catherine Blake and Cal Lee, both assistant professors at the University of North Carolina’s School of Information and Library Science (SILS), have been awarded Junior Faculty Development Awards by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to support their research for the upcoming year.

Blake will use the funding that comes with the award to further her research in text mining, a process that automatically discovers connections and information hidden in electronic data. The Award will support the design, development and evaluation of the online text mining evaluation environment (OnTeMEE), which will enable users to provide feedback on automatically generated document summaries. OnTeMEE will add to Dr. Blake’s text mining toolkit, which already includes tools for information extraction, information synthesis and document summarization.

Lee’s project will result in a publication that both disseminates and extends the study he conducted for his dissertation, “Defining Digital Preservation Work: A Case Study of the Development of the Reference Model for an Open Archival Information System.” It will address the development, adoption and impact of international standardization within the arena of long-term digital preservation. Lee’s project will have important implications for research on standardization and will provide lessons for those engaged in future standards development efforts.

Junior Faculty Development Awards are given by the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost to support young faculty members in furthering their research. Faculty members selected for the awards receive up to $7,500 over the course of one year to support their research.

Dean Griffiths and Dr. Beth Fitzsimmons appointed to National Advisory Board

Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS, and Dr. Beth Fitzsimmons, member of SILS Board of Visitors and the Louis Round Wilson Academy, have been appointed to serve on the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) Advisory Board.

The Advisory Board advises the director of NTIS, the under secretary for technology and the secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce on policies, the mission of the NTIS and plans for the future.

According to the NTIS Web site, “The National Technical Information Service serves our nation as the largest central resource for government-funded scientific, technical, engineering and business related information available today. For 60 years NTIS has assured businesses, universities and the public timely access to well over 3 million publications covering over 350 subject areas.”

Dr. Griffiths is a member of the National Science Board, recently appointed by President Bush and confirmed by the Senate. She is the founding chair of The Knowledge Trust™ and the Louis Round Wilson Academy.

Dr. Fitzsimmons is the chair of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science. She was appointed by President Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 2004. She is the President of Information Strategists located in Ann Arbor, MI.

The appointments are effective through June 30, 2009.

Tibbo appointed to University Graduate Council

Dr. Helen Tibbo, SILS professor, has been appointed by President Erskine Bowles to serve on the University Graduate Council. The appointment runs through June 30, 2009.

The University Graduate Council is made up of 16 graduate faculty members who represent various academic disciplines. It also includes the dean of the graduate schools or the chief academic officers from the baccalaureate institutions. The Council advises the president on matters of policy pertaining to graduate education generally, and particularly to assist in the evaluation of proposed new graduate programs.”

“It is both an honor and a pleasure to serve on this board,” said Tibbo. “Members of Graduate Council have the opportunity to see the overall landscape of programs at the 16-UNC System campuses as well as being introduced to innovative, cutting-edge programs currently under development. It is a great place to make contacts with faculty and administrators from across the System.”

Dr. Tibbo; Dr. Ruth Walden, associate dean and James Howard and Hallie McLean Parker Distinguished Professor at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication; and Dr. Linda Dykstra, dean of the Graduate School and vice chancellor for Research, will represent the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Daniel’s community projects focus on libraries

When she’s not teaching classes, conducting research, organizing her office as she phases into retirement or walking her newest family member, her yellow labrador boxer mix puppy Margarita, Dr. Evelyn Daniel, professor, is involved in leadership activities at libraries in the local community.

Daniel is a trustee and vice chair for the Chapel Hill Public Library Board of Trustees and a member of the Building Committee. The Committee is currently overseeing a major expansion to the current facility that will double the library’s size. Daniel participated in the selection of the public artist who will work with the architect to enhance the aesthetics of the library. She has also participated in several Orange County Library Task Forces and chaired the Task Force that concluded in 2004 recommending new facilities in Hillsborough and in Carrboro, among other things. The Task Force has now reconvened with the expectation that these new facilities will become reality.
Deborah Barreau (assistant professor) presented a paper, “Personal Information Management in Context,” at the ACM’s SIGIR Workshop on Personal Information Management in Seattle, WA, Aug. 10-11. She also attended the ASIS&T annual meeting in Austin, TX, Nov. 4-9, where she presented a poster, “Augmenting memory for student learning: Designing a context-aware capture system for biology education,” with Jane Greenberg (associate professor) and a number of SILS students. Barreau also organized, moderated and participated in a panel discussion on personal digital collections at the conference.

Catherine Blake (assistant professor) presented research at the American Society of Information Science and the Discovery Science Conference. She also attended and served on the program committee of the American Medical Informatics Association Symposium. Blake moderated technical sessions at both the AMIA Symposium and the Discovery Science Conference. At SILS she has been working with a team of students on a system that can automatically generate summaries of news articles. In November, Blake and co-author Wanda Pratt had their paper “Collaborative information synthesis I: A model of information behaviors of scientists in medicine and public health” published in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (vol. 57, no. 13).

“Mind as Verb,” an essay by David Carr (associate professor), was published in the anthology Museum Philosophy for the Twenty-first Century. Carr also helped launch a number of new local libraries recently, giving the keynote address at the opening of the Polk County Public Library and a talk to the Friends of Pittsboro Memorial Library (scheduled to open in 2008) on “A Library and its Community: the Transforming Nature of a Great Public Library.” Additionally, Carr has been active on the selection committee for “Durham Reads Together 2007,” a community-wide reading project led by the Durham County Library.

Jane Greenberg (associate professor) co-authored “Metadata Ontologies for Organizing Students Memories and Learning: Standards and Convergence Models for Content Awareness” with Eva Mendez (assistant professor of library and information science at University Carlos III in Madrid, Spain); the paper was presented at the International Conference on Multidisciplinary Information Sciences and Technologies held in Merida, Spain in October. Greenberg also collaborated on a poster, “Augmenting Memory for Student Learning: Designing a Context-Aware Capture System for Biology Education,” presented at the annual ASIS&T conference. She served on the program committees for the International Conference on Dublin Core 2006 and Metadata Applications and the International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries 2006.

Diane Kelly (assistant professor) presented a paper and a workshop on interactive question-answering at the Human Language Technology Conference last summer. Kelly attended the ACM’s International Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval, where she gave a tutorial on “conducting interactive information retrieval user studies” and presented a paper on term relevance feedback with Xin Fu (Ph.D. student). Kelly also had three articles published: “Measuring online information seeking context, Part I: Background and method” in the November 2006 issue of the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (vol. 57, no. 13) and two papers in Information Processing & Management (vol. 43, no. 1).

Gary Marchionini (Cary C. Boshamer Professor) has been appointed to the steering committee of the Education Resources Information Center (ERIC), a group that advises the Computer Sciences Corporation, the contractor for the U.S. Department of Education’s ERIC program. He published a paper, “Search history support for finding and using information: User interface design recommendations from a user study” in Information Processing & Management (vol. 43, no. 1). Marchionini has also received two grants for further research, one from IBM for work on the Open Video Project and one from the National Science Foundation for a project called “Visualizing Science and Engineering Indicators: Transitioning from Print to a Hybrid World.”

Jeffrey Pomerantz (assistant professor), along with co-author Barbara Wildemuth (professor) had a series of papers published on digital library curriculum development, including pieces in D-Lib Magazine (vol. 12, issues 7/8 and 11), the Proceedings of the International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries Lecture Notes in Computer Science, and the Proceedings of the Joint Conference on Digital Libraries. Pomerantz and Lili Luo (Ph.D. student) also had their paper, “Motivations and users: Evaluating virtual reference service from the users’ perspective” published in Library and Information Science Research (vol. 28, no. 5); Pomerantz was also appointed to that journal’s board of editors.

Paul Solomon (associate professor and associate dean) is co-chairing the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Association for Information Science and Technology in October. He is also the contributed papers chair for the meeting.


In January 2007, Mark Winston (associate professor) completed his term as Chair of the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Awards and Honors Coordinating Committee. He is currently chair of the Association of College and Research Libraries, Academic/Research Librarian of the Year Award Committee and on the editorial boards of the journal Library Administration & Management and the Journal of Library and Information Science. Winston also published several articles in 2006, including a piece on leadership and diversity in Library Quarterly and papers on ethical leadership and recruitment and diversity in Library and Information Science Research. Winston gave presentations on leadership, ethics education and diversity at the Chinese American Librarians Association Annual Conference, the ALISE Conference, North Carolina State University and North Carolina Central University.
Faculty and Staff

Wish you were here

It’s no secret that SILS faculty and staff are a busy group. They teach. They research. They serve on university, local and national committees. They also extend Carolina’s global presence, research and teaching by traveling around the world to participate at an international level. Here’s where some SILS faculty and staff have traveled recently.

Rebecca Vargha

England

Rebecca Vargha, Special Libraries Association (SLA) president and SILS librarian, attended the Online Meeting in London, England on November 27 through November 30, 2006. She spoke to the SLA Europe Chapter and met with other SLA Members, professional groups like AIIP and the staff at the British Library.

Jerry D. Saye

Slovenia

Jerry D. Saye (professor) traveled to Ljubljana, Slovenia, in Oct. 2006 as guest lecturer for a number of courses as he has annually for several years. He worked with the faculty of the Department of Library and Information Science and Book Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana. Saye taught in Ljubljana as a Fulbright Scholar in 2003.

Deborah Barreau

England

Deborah Barreau (assistant professor) served as faculty advisor on SILS' Oxford Bodleian Summer Seminar. The seminar gave students the chance to spend two weeks exploring the history of librarianship at England’s world-renowned Bodleian Library. Seminar activities included tours of Oxford University Press, the British Library and Blackwell’s Bookshops.

Jane Greenberg

Mexico

Jane Greenberg (associate professor) attended the International Conference on the Dublin Core and Metadata Applications in Manzanillo, Mexico, Oct. 2-6. Greenberg and her colleagues presented a paper on their M-2 (Memex Metadata) project detailing the project’s metadata framework and their work on integrating it with UNC’s Information Technology Service’s context awareness framework.

Barbara Wildemuth

Czech Republic

Barbara Wildemuth (professor) led SILS’ two-week international summer seminar, “Libraries and Librarianship in the Czech Republic.” The seminar offered participants lectures and tours relating to librarianship in the
Staff Travels

Joanne Gard Marshall

Joanne Gard Marshall (Alumni distinguished professor) was the keynote presenter at the 40th Anniversary Seminar of the National Library of Health Sciences - Terkko in Helsinki, Finland on Nov. 16, 2006. Marshall’s presentation was entitled “Sharing medical knowledge and health information – access without frontiers.” The overall seminar focused on “The Past Challenging the Future - the Future Challenging the Past.”

David Carr

David Carr (associate professor) traveled to Belgrade, Serbia, from Oct. 22-31. While in Belgrade, Carr gave several lectures in the area, including a talk on “Learning Outside Schools (in Public Cultural Institutions).” Carr also attended and lectured at the Belgrade Book Fair. The Book Fair, one of the largest cultural celebrations in Belgrade, is an annual trade show where over 800 exhibitors from all over the world showcase their selections. Carr met with library directors from around Serbia and spoke about “The Development of Reading Communities” at the event.

José-Marie Griffiths

José-Marie Griffiths (dean) traveled to Bangkok, Thailand on Feb. 14 to visit the Kenan Institute Asia, attend the Board meeting, review projects on entrepreneurship and learn more about the Tsunami recovery efforts. She was also the keynote presenter at the Thailand Creative and Design Center, where she presented, “The Future of Knowledge Professionals.” In late summer, 2006, Griffiths visited the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP) in London, England as well as the University of Wales, Aberystwyth.

Barbara Moran

Barbara Moran (professor) traveled to Singapore in October to teach classes for SILS’ Circulating International Program. Last year, Moran was awarded a Fulbright Senior Fellows Award and spent two weeks at Charles University in Prague teaching students at Charles and making presentations to groups of Czech librarians.

Paul Jones

Paul Jones, (SILS clinical associate professor and director of ibiblio), spoke at the “Ownership the Future: Ideas and their role in the digital age” symposium in Delhi, India in November, 2006. While at the symposium, Jones had a fast-paced discussion with Eben Moglen, founder of the Software Freedom Law Center, on a variety of topics including intellectual property, economics, technology expansion and freedom. He then traveled to Dharamsala to visit Tibetan journalists and ibiblio contributors.

Catherine Blake

Catherine Blake (assistant professor) traveled to Barcelona, Spain, Oct. 7-10 to present a paper titled, “Scientific Discovery: A View from the Trenches.” She was also in Sydney, Australia, July 17-21 to present a paper at Coling/ACL2006, the joint conference of the International Committee on Computational Linguistics and the Association for Computational Linguistics.

Scotland and Denmark

Kelly (assistant professor) attended meetings in Europe in October, an Adap- tion Retrieval Workshop at the University of Glasgow and the Information Retrieval in Context Conference (IIiX) at Royal School of Library and Information Science in Copenhagen. She presented a paper at the IIiX conference, “Contextual collaborator David Harper from Robert and. She also served as a mentor to 14 conference.

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Students elect group officers

The votes are in, and six SILS student organizations have new officers. The 2007 officers for the organizations, announced at the SILS holiday party on Dec. 7, are:

Information & Library Science Student Association (ILSSA)
- President: Abbey Thompson
- Vice President: Libby Gorman
- Technical Coordinator: Jonathan Morris
- Treasurer: Vedana Vaidhyanathan

Art & Museum Library & Information Student Society (AMLISS)
- President: Elizabeth Matson
- Vice President: Rachel Jorgensen
- Secretary / Web Master: Jackie Sipes
- Treasurer: Annie Hughes

American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T)
- President: Doug Edmunds
- Vice President: Andreas Orphanides
- Web Master: Dan Lucas
- Secretary: Scott Martin

Student Chapter of the American Library Association (SCALA)
- President: Pete Ramsey
- Vice President: Marian Fragola
- Secretary: Emily King
- Web Master: Biff Hollingsworth
- Treasurer: Katrina Cason

Student Chapter of the Society of American Archivists (SCOSAA)
- President: Amanda Ross
- Vice President: Devon Lee
- Secretary: Eric Werthmann
- Web Master: Johanna Russ
- Treasurer: Rita Johnston

Special Libraries Association (SLA)
- President: Emily Hurst
- Vice President: Johanna Russ
- Secretary: Jillian Robinson
- Web Master: Anne Fleming
- Treasurer: Shari Laster

More information on all the SILS student groups can be found at http://sils.unc.edu/people/students.html

Student News

SILS students revive “The Galley” newsletter in a new format

Before SILS students communicated with each other via listservs and wikis, they produced a newsletter, The Galley, to keep each other up to date on announcements, current happenings and news about student groups. When electronic media replaced the old-fashioned newsletter, The Galley fell by the wayside and production on it stopped.

Now a number of SILS students have revived The Galley — albeit in a different format — and this fall published the first new issue in several years.

Betsy Herzog (MSLS student), The Galley’s editor, said the students who revived the publication did not want The Galley to take the place of the now heavily used SILS listservs, but instead to supplement them.

“[We wanted The Galley to be] a forum for SILS people to write about non-SILS things,” Herzog said. “We all got onboard with the idea of making it a book review, and that morphed into just a general review. We call it ‘a review of many things.’”

The first issue of the new Galley lived up to its billing, containing reviews of books, movies, music, restaurants and recipes.

Along with these content changes, The Galley also changed formats for its re-inaugural issue; it is now published online as a PDF document.

Herzog said the positive feedback the Galley staff heard about the first issue encouraged them to make two issues for the Spring 2007 semester, one to be put out around Spring Break and one to follow later in the year.

“We’re excited to make the spring issues bigger and more diverse,” Herzog said. “We are expecting more music and food reviews this time, as well as sports reviews, television reviews and some reviews of people’s most hated books. The positive and negative are appreciated!”

Anyone associated with SILS, including current or former students, faculty, staff and alumni are encouraged to submit 250-350 word reviews to The Galley, Herzog said. “The standards are very low, so no one has the excuse of being a bad writer,” she said.

Submissions to The Galley can be sent to herzoge@email.unc.edu. The Galley can be read online at http://ils.unc.edu/ilssa/pdfs/Galley.pdf

Student briefs

Vedana Vaidhyanathan (MSLS student) presented “Will the Internet Fracture? ICANN and the Future of the Political Economy of the Net” at the University of Tennessee College of Communication and Information’s 29th Annual Research Symposium on Feb. 16.

Douglas “Biff” Hollingsworth (MSLS student) co-curated “I Raised My Hand to Volunteer: Students protest in 1960s Chapel Hill,” an exhibit of photos and documents on display from Jan. 23 to May 31 in the Manuscripts Department of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Wilson Library. Hollingsworth also helped create printed and electronic material to accompany the pieces on display and organize tours of the exhibit.

Tracy Powell (MSLS student) had a paper she co-authored while working at North Carolina State University, “Reflections on the OCLC WorldCat Collection Analysis Tool: We Still Need the Next Step” published in Against the Grain (vol. 18, no. 5).

Gershom Rogers’ (Ph.D. student) paper, “Roles for Semantic Technologies and Tools in Libraries,” was published in Cataloging & Classification Quarterly (vol. 43, no. 3/4). That issue of Cataloging & Classification Quarterly, title “Knitting the Semantic Web,” was also co-edited by SILS associate professor, Jane Greenberg. Rogers has another piece, “The Role of Maturity Models in IT Governance: A Comparison of Major Models and Their Potential Benefits to the Enterprise,” that will be published in the book IT Governance and Service Management Frameworks and Adaptations later this year. Also, Rogers gave two presentations at the International Conference on Dublin Core and Metadata Applications in Colima, Mexico, in October.
Watts first in MD/MSIS program

For Lashonda Watts, becoming an information and library science student was all about options.

Watts is the first Duke University medical student to enroll in the MD/master of science in information science (MSIS) dual degree program offered by the Duke University School of Medicine and SILS. It was the option of doing something different from her other medical school classmates, Watts said, that led her to SILS.

“Most people enter Duke with plans to do lab research, clinical research or get an MPH (Master’s in Public Health), and indeed I did fall into that grouping,” Watts said. “However, my path diverged much more than anticipated in that I found that in my second year I didn’t enjoy clinical medicine in the truest sense—that is, working for the good of one patient at a time—as much as I enjoyed thinking more on a systems level.”

Watts found that, despite the number of avenues of study open to third-year medical students at Duke, none of the traditional options quite fit with her way of thinking. Duke medical students take the third year—nicknamed “the research year” at Duke—for independent study in an area of particular interest to them. Students usually use the third year to conduct research, explore a medical specialty or pursue a public health degree.

The joint MD/MSIS program was created for students like Watts who wanted to take their third year of studies in a different direction. The program gives Duke medical students the chance to apply their clinical training to fields like information management, bioinformatics and evidence-based medicine. Students will come out of the two-year MSIS program ready to reverse the process: to use their new knowledge of information systems to help improve clinical settings and patient care.

Watts said the program has been a good fit for her so far.

“It’s been great,” she said. “Since applying and starting the program, I’ve discovered a myriad of possibilities in medical informatics and technology.”

Despite the good fit, being the first student to enter the program has presented some challenges, Watts said. There has been red tape to cut through, commutes from Durham and the inevitable “so you’re going to be a librarian?” question from her classmates.

“A lot of [my classmates] felt like I was checking out of the whole medical scene and getting out of health care,” Watts said. “The more I talk to them, though, the more they’re on board and understand what I’m doing.”

Being able to change her classmates’ minds about information science is not the only perk of being the first MD/MSIS student, Watts said.

“Being the first has been good,” she said. “I get to decide exactly what I want to do. I can kind of influence the program.”

With a semester of learning about information science now under her belt, Watts said she is beginning to think about what she wants to do with her dual degrees. She said she is currently interested in improving people’s ability to manage their own health, be it on a large systems scale or an individual one.

Watts is quick to point out that, because of the different avenues the dual degree program has opened up for her, her plans for her future aren’t set in stone.

“With so many options, I’m now having a hard time choosing exactly where to lay my path,” she said. “But that’s why you get an education, right? To have options.”

Watts’ participation in the MD/MSIS dual degree is funded through a grant from the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program of the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The grant was awarded to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s School of Information and Library Science and the Duke University School of Medicine. Funding covers the student’s tuition for two years, a stipend of $21,000 for the two years, health insurance during the program and support for attending one conference each year.

For those interested in applying, or to learn more about the dual degree program, see the Web site at: www.mclibrary.duke.edu/about/dualdegree

Student briefs

Ron Brown (Ph.D. student) successfully defended his dissertation this summer. His dissertation had the working title “Information Needs and Use of Digital Video by Teachers: Implications for the Design of Web Resources.”

Heather McCullough (MSIS student) made a presentation this summer at the Computer Assisted Language Instruction Consortium Conference at the University of Hawaii-Manoa. She also gave an invited talk at the Foreign Language Association of North Carolina in Raleigh last fall.

Fred Stutzman (Ph.D. student) spoke in October about ClaimID.com as part of Duke University’s Information Science and Information Studies (ISIS) TechTuesdays program. ClaimID.com is a project that allows individuals to control their online information.

Mary Wilkins-Jordan’s (Ph.D. student) paper “What is your Library’s Friendliness Factor?” was accepted for publication in Public Library Quarterly. The article is expected to appear in the first issue of 2007 (vol. 25, no. 1).

W. John MacMullen (Ph.D. student) and Cristina Pattuelli (Ph.D. student) received honorable mentions in the Doctoral Students Research Poster Session at the 2007 ALISE Conference. MacMullen’s poster was titled “Contextual Analysis of Variation and Quality in Human-Curated Gene Ontology Annotations.” Pattuelli’s poster was “Helping Teachers find Digital History Resources: A User-Centered Approach to Designing a Domain Ontology for Learning Objects.”

Evelyn M. Poole-Kober is a 2006 School of Information and Library Science Distinguished Alumna. The Distinguished Alumni Award was presented to Poole-Kober during the School’s commencement ceremony on May 14 where she was recognized for her professional and personal contributions to special librarianship and for her continued support and advocacy for SILS.

Poole-Kober (MSLS ’97) recently retired as an expert sole-librarian managing all library services for the Atmospheric Sciences Modeling Division (ASMD) Library in the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) National Exposure Research Laboratory (NERL) and the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Air Resources Laboratory. Her areas of expertise include air pollution, meteorology and chemistry.

Poole-Kober was a student known for her keen intellect and willingness to help others both intellectually and socially. She served as the SILS graduate representative to the Student Government. Her expertise was recognized when she was only one of two masters students to display a thesis before the SILS Board of Visitors. She was a participant in the Librarians’ Association at UNC and has continued her involvement with the school through the Alumni Association and as an annual donor.

Since earning her degree, Poole-Kober actively recruited SILS students to participate in field experiences at her library and advocated for the school by promoting its programs and opportunities to potential students.

In addition to her service to the EPA and NOAA communities, Poole-Kober provided library services to other Federal agencies, including Departments of Justice, Interior and Defense. Through her membership in international organization, she provides information to the international environmental science community as well.
Dr. Irene Owens (Ph.D., 1995) received a 2006 School of Information and Library Science Distinguished Alumni Award at the School’s winter commencement on Dec. 17. Dr. Owens currently serves as dean of the School of Library and Information Science at North Carolina Central University.

Dr. Owens came to NCCU from the University of Texas at Austin’s Graduate School of Information where she had been a graduate advisor and associate professor. She was the first African American to earn tenure in the graduate School of Library and Information Science (now the School of Information) at the University of Texas at Austin.

She has been an elementary school teacher, a classification record assistant at the Library of Congress, and has held several positions at Howard University in Washington, D.C., including director of the Consciousness IV Undergraduate Library Project, head of the Reference Department and director of the Divinity Library. She has served as a consultant in several capacities, including the Triangle Research Libraries Network; the U.S. Office of Education funded Library Evaluation Project with Tribal Librarians, conducted in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin; and for the U.S. Embassy in South Africa. She was also selected by the State Department to serve as a speaker for National Library Week and as a consultant in Pristina, Kosova.

Dr. Owens is the recipient of many awards including an Outstanding Service Award from Howard University and the Texas Excellence in Teaching Award. She is a life-long member of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. Dr. Owens has published widely and is the editor of *Acquisitions and Collection Development in the Humanities* and *Strategic Marketing in Library and Information Science*.
Greetings from the SILS Alumni Association! I hope this message finds you all well at the beginning of another year. It is with great pride that I write this first President’s message. We have a wonderful Alumni Board and the Association continues its work supporting the School of Information and Library Science. Jean Ferguson has been elected as vice president-president elect and Joan Petit has been elected as treasurer. Charles Cobine continues his position as secretary and Amy Gresko continues on the board as immediate past president.

In September of last year the Association kicked off SILS’s 75th anniversary by hosting a reception in the Wilson Library for approximately 75 new students. The event followed a panel discussion titled “How I Got My First Job.” Several SILS alumni participated in the discussion including Joan Petit, Emma Cryer, Debbie Travers and myself. The panel was a wonderful chance for students to learn the ins and outs of landing their first job upon graduation.

During the winter commencement, the Association was proud to present the Distinguished Alumni Award to our very surprised commencement speaker, Dr. Irene Owens. Dr. Owens is the dean of the School of Library and Information Science at North Carolina Central University. Beginning as a teacher of first grade students in Virginia, she has demonstrated outstanding professional achievements at national, state and local levels during her career. The commencement ceremonies were followed by a reception for graduates and their families hosted by the Alumni Association.

In February, the Association hosted a reception for participants of the Kilgour Lecture symposium. We also coordinated the annual mentoring connection where we match eager students from SILS with professionals here in the Triangle working in information careers. If you are interested in participating as a mentor, please don’t hesitate to contact us at: sils-aa@listserv.unc.edu

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://ils.unc.edu/alumni/ and click the “Alumni Listserv” link on the left-hand side of the screen. On the next page click the “Subscribe” button. You may also keep up with our activities by visiting our Web site at: http://ils.unc.edu/alumni/

**SILS alumna wins business award**

The Maryland Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the Maryland Daily Record awarded Vesselina Stoytcheva (MSLS ’99) one of Maryland’s Top 100 Minority Business Enterprise awards in September.

The MBE awards recognize exceptional minority and women business owners in Maryland for their achievements in client satisfaction, business development, professional affiliations and community involvement. Stoytcheva and her company, VNS Group, Inc., were selected from more than 200,000 eligible businesses for this year’s award.

**UNC at Chapel Hill’s General Alumni Association will host a reunion weekend on May 11 - 13, 2007 for the class of 1957, 1962, 1967 and all classes prior to 1957 at the George Watts Hill Alumni Center in Chapel Hill.**

Included in the activities are luncheons, walking tours, slideshows, a barbecue and social, banquets, enrichment seminars and fireworks.

“Exploration and Discovery, Opportunities and Threats: Navigating the Digital Age” will be featured on May 11 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. with Dr. José-Marie Griffiths presenting.

Her talk will focus on the changes in technology and how the world is adjusting to them.

**Dean Griffiths to speak at alumni reunions**

Stoytcheva is president and CEO of VNS Group, a firm specializing in library, information and records management. VNS Group assists government agencies, other institutions and businesses in their efforts to provide library services and implement records management programs in support of their mission. They analyze and organize information in different formats, in English and in foreign languages and provide translation services as well.

MBE award winners were recognized at a ceremony on Oct. 27 at the University of Maryland-University College in Adelphi, Maryland.

SYNOPSIS OF THE TALK: The 21st century has thrust upon us a new world created by the explosion of information and information technology access and use. From mapping the human genome to compiling our cultural heritage, from creating new knowledge communities to confronting business models, the Digital Age is changing the way we live our daily lives. What are some of the most significant advances we are encountering and how do we effectively and ethically navigate our way through this uncharted territory?

For more information, please visit: http://alumni.unc.edu/article.asp?SID=4193
Zach awarded grant for Katrina research

SILS alumna, Dr. Lisl Zach (MLSL '76), has been awarded $166,285 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) for a two-year research project to identify and document how information professionals have responded to the needs of users in the aftermath of community-based disasters such as the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes.

The project aims to gather first-hand accounts from librarians who have faced disasters such as the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes. The knowledge gained from these interviews will be used to create guidance and training materials for disaster planning and for delivery of information services during times of crisis.

Zach, an assistant professor at Louisiana State University, said the idea for the project came in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. “A colleague of mine at LSU, Dr. Michelynn McKnight, and I started doing some quick and dirty research on the responses of information professionals to the disaster,” she said. “As soon as we were able to catch our breaths, the academic spirit took over, and we saw what a wonderful research opportunity this would be.”

SilS alumna wins “Times” Librarian Award


Duvernay works as the coordinator of Instruction, Outreach and Marketing at Arizona State University Libraries in Tempe, AZ.

According to The Times, the Librarian Awards program “honors librarians from around the country who have provided outstanding public service and have had a strong and positive impact on their nominators.” The awards, now in their sixth year, carry with them a $2500 prize and a commemorative plaque from The Times.

Previously, only public librarians had been eligible to receive a New York Times Librarian Award. The program expanded in 2006 to include librarians working in colleges and universities, and Duvernay was one of only three academic librarians to earn an award in the new category.

The New York Times Librarian Award is Initial investigations, Zach said, confirmed her suspicion that studying how information professionals respond to disasters was an area ready for research and improvement. “There really is not much in the way of guidance for information professionals about what to do when disaster strikes,” she said. “We also were hearing horror stories from practitioners in the field about how the disaster plans that had been in place at their institutions were completely inadequate for the task.”

Zach said she hopes her research can address some of those inadequacies.

“The message that I think is important to get across is how well positioned information professionals are to help in the critical early hours/days following any type of disaster,” she said. “They have, after all, access to the best sources of information available and are trained to use them.”

Zach is in her fourth year as an assistant professor at LSU’s School of Library and Information Science, where she teaches in the areas of knowledge management and organization of information.

She recently received the Special Libraries Association’s President’s Award for her work with libraries in Louisiana after Hurricane’s Katrina and Rita.

SILS students and alumni “speed network” (top), and SILSAA vice president/president elect, Jean Ferguson (bottom) keeps time.

SILSAA and ILSSA host “Speed Networking”

The School of Information and Library Science Alumni Association (SILSAA) and the Information and Library Science Student Association (ILSSA) hosted a “speed networking” session for SILS students who are beginning to think about future career opportunities.

Alumni and other professionals from a variety of information science, information technology and library backgrounds met with students in the Wilson Library Pleasants Room on March 5, 2007. They first briefly met in a “speed dating” type of scenario, allowing each student three minutes to meet and greet the alumni participating. When the bell rang, the students moved to the next alumni to learn a little about their profession. The second hour was spent more casually, allowing time for questions and discussions along with pizza and soda.
SILS alumna Jane Iris Crutchfield passes away at 92

Jane Iris Crutchfield died peacefully on December 10, 2006. She was a member of the Ruth Brewster Chapter on the NSDAR and Delta Kappa Gamma. At an early age she moved to Richmond and attended school there. Iris graduated from Mary Washington College (BS), the University of Virginia (MEd) and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (BS, Library Science, 1955).

Dedicating her life to education, she taught in the Danville Public Schools for ten years and returned to Richmond to teach school. Iris became the librarian in the Summer Hill School and in the high school.

In 1960, Iris moved to Arlington, VA, and accepted a position as librarian in the Patrick Henry Elementary School.

Her post-retirement activities included her interest in reading, gardening and foreign travel including trips to Australia, Caribbean Islands, China, Cyprus, Egypt, England, Scotland, the Holy Land, Italy, Russia and South America.

She was a member of the Ruth Brewster Chapter on the NSDAR and Delta Kappa Gamma. She was a lifelong Methodist.

In Memoriam

Janet Becker, MSLS – 1978
Jane-Iris Crutchfield, BSLS – 1955
Frances Everhart, MSLS – 1965
Joyce Farris, MSLS – 1975
Janie Hecht, BSLS – 1947
Paula Hinton, MSLS – 1985
Mary Klontz, BSLS – 1943, MSLS – 1970
Judith Letsinger – 1966
Rachel Martin, BSLS – 1949
Elizabeth Taylor, ABLS – 1938
Verona Thomas, BSLS – 1944

Death notes are provided by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s General Alumni Association (GAA). Notify the GAA Records Department with death announcements at P.O. Box 660, Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Former SILS professor and documents librarian, Ridley R. Kessler, dies at 65

Ridley R. Kessler, Jr. (MSLS ’70), former SILS professor and retired documents librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC), died in Durham, NC, on Jan. 11, 2007, of congestive heart failure. He was 65.

Kessler served as federal documents librarian and regional depository librarian at UNC’s Davis Library from 1973 until his retirement in 2003. He had previously served as assistant head of the library’s reference department and held positions of assistant documents librarian and international/state documents librarian.

Kessler taught government documents classes for many years at SILS, and he received the School’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 1996.

“When Ridley retired in 2003, the Library’s Staff Development Committee invited him to speak about the ‘lessons’ of his career,” said Dr. David Carr, associate professor.

“He did so with wit and great affection for the profession of librarianship,” Carr said. “He also spoke with deep pleasure of working with our students over time; it was a model of the dedication to them we can see throughout the UNC library system today.”

“Kessler brought to his work a combination of extraordinary knowledge and a deep service ethic,” said Carol Tobin, head of reference services in Davis Library. “He was absolutely committed to ensuring that government information be freely available to all. Even after his retirement, we continued to ask for his advice.”

Well known for his extensive professional activities, Kessler was a member of the federal government’s Depository Library Council, which he chaired in 1989-90. He was also a long-time member and officer of the American Library Association’s Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) and was active in the Documents Section of the North Carolina Library Association.

Kessler testified before congressional subcommittees in 1991, 1999 and 2000, on behalf of groups including the American Library Association, the American Association of Law Libraries, the Association of Research Libraries, the Medical Library Association and the Special Library Association. His testimony focused on the services of the Government Printing Office’s Federal Depository Library Program and the importance of free access to government information.

In recognition of his work, Kessler was awarded the James Bennett Childs Award for lifetime contributions from GODORT in 2002. The Childs Award is GODORT’s highest honor, based on distinguished stature, service, and publication in the field.

In 1992, he received the CIS/GODORT/ALA Documents to the People Award. In 1990, he was the recipient of the Government Printing Office’s Distinguished Service Award and gold medal, the highest honor that the GPO can bestow upon an individual.

Kessler is remembered among his colleagues not only for his professional contributions, but also for his story-telling skills and his wide-ranging personal interests, from dogs and antique pens, to Jane Austen, military history, and Westerns.

He was active with Chapel of the Cross church in Chapel Hill.

Kessler is survived by his wife, Diane Thompson Kessler, and his daughter, Melissa McGuire Kessler of Durham.
2006

**Michael Habib** (MSLS) master’s paper, “Toward Academic Library 2.0: Development and Application of a Library 2.0 Methodology,” has been getting attention in several library-oriented Web sites and blogs, including the American Library Association’s TechSource (http://www.techsource.ala.org/blog/2007/01/).

**Megan Oakleaf** (Ph.D.) recently joined the faculty of the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University. As an assistant professor there, Oakleaf is teaching courses in information resources and library systems and processes. Her research interests include evaluation of information services, assessment of user education, information literacy frameworks and instruction, and information services in academic libraries.

2005

**Scott Phinney** (MSLS) master’s thesis was recently published in a peer-reviewed journal. The article, “Can’t I Just Listen to that Online? Evaluating Electronic Access to Audio for Music Libraries,” is included in *Music Reference Services Quarterly* (vol. 9, no. 2).

2003

**Mark Sanders** (MSLS) is the co-editor of Reference Assessment and Evaluation, an issue of *Public Services Quarterly* (numbers 2/3, 2006). SILS graduates Becky Imamoto and Clista Clanton also have essays in the issue. Sanders, president of the SILS Alumni Board, is a student outreach reference librarian at East Carolina University in Greenville.

**Smyth Lai**’s (MSLS) article, “Urban planning: Starting points for students and scholars” was published in the January 2007 edition of *College & Research Library News* (vol. 68, no. 1).

2002

**Sean Knowlton** (MSLS) and Becky Imamoto’s article “Recruiting Non-MSLS Graduate Students to Academic Libraries” was published in the latest edition of *College and Research Libraries*.

2001

**Lokman Meho**’s (Ph.D.) paper “E-mail Interviewing in Qualitative Research: A Methodological Discussion” won the 2007 Dialog/ALISE Methodology Paper Competition. The paper appeared in the August 2006 edition of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*.

1999

**Calvin Craig** (MSLS) married Gena Moore on August 26, 2006 in Huntersville, NC. The couple now lives in Gastonia, NC.

1998

**Laura Abate** (MSLS), husband Michael and 4-year-old daughter Madeleine welcomed Josephine Jewel on April 5, 2006. Laura is Electronic Resources & Instructional Librarian at George Washington University’s Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library.

1996

**Bob Henshaw**’s (MSIS) article “Making a Difference?” was published in the “Viewpoints” section of *Educause Quarterly* (vol. 29, no. 4).

1992

**Victoria Levy** (MSLS), and Uschi Walden welcomed their daughter, Helen Ammonett (8 lb., 5 oz.), on Jan. 28, 2006.

1989

**Patricia Archie Burke** (MSLS) has accepted a new position as reference librarian at Durham County’s newly opened East Regional Library.

1983

**Donna Corriher Will** (MSLS) is newly retired after 30 years with the Virginia Public Schools where she worked as a library media specialist.

1977

**Barbara Kiehne Younger** (MSLS) is pursuing her Masters of Fine Arts in Writing for Children and Young Adults through Vermont College’s low-residency program. Younger’s latest book, *Mystery in the Stable*, was co-authored with friend Lisa Flinn and published by Abingdon Press.

Becky Kornegay (MSLS) and her colleagues at Western Carolina University had their paper, “Amazing, Magical Searches!: Subdivisions Combine the Precision of the Cataloger with the Freewheeling Style of a Googler,” published in the November 1, 2005 edition of the *Library Journal*. The article has been added to reading lists at the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Alabama and SILS.

1975

In November, **Isabel Dale Silver** (MSLS), assumed her new responsibilities as assistant director of Academic Support Services for Faculty Development at the University of Florida in Gainesville after leaving her post as assistant dean for Academic Affairs at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Her spouse, Christopher Silver, also an alumnus of UNC at CH (in history), is now dean of the College of Design, Construction and Planning.

1971

**Judith Faust** (MSLS) was elected 2006-2007 vice chair/elect of BRASS, the Business Reference and Services Section of the Reference and User Services Association/American Library Association.

1968

Journalist and SILS graduate **Martha Evans Sparks** (MSLS) published her fourth book in December 2005. The book, *Strength for Today: Daily Encouragement through Life’s Transitions*, is “intended to remind us that in the midst of the changes and losses of aging we can remain vibrant persons.” She is currently researching a fifth book.

1949

**Richard Matthews** (BSLS) wrote, “Widowed since ’97, I married — on the day after her birthday (making me sort of a birthday present) — a widow who’s a descendant of the glamorous Puritan couple John Alden and Priscilla Mullins. We met five years ago teaming up in Trenton’s Mobile Meals program.”
Finalé celebrates School’s origin

In the spring of 1929, the Carnegie Corporation granted the University of North Carolina $100,000 to support a library school. It was with this support that University Librarian, Dr. Louis Round Wilson was able to establish the School of Library Science, which opened its doors in September of 1931 with 37 students enrolled – 29 of whom received degrees at the June commencement in 1932. Today, our enrollment has grown to over 350 students and approximately 100 graduates each year.

The School has been consistently ranked number one among graduate schools of information and library science since 1999 by U.S. News and World Report. We owe a great deal of gratitude to the Carnegie Corporation for making our 75-year success story possible.

We are thrilled that Dr. Vartan Gregorian, president of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, will deliver the keynote address at our 75th Anniversary fi nalé celebration this September. Dr. Gregorian’s participation has a special signifi cance in our history.

He has a rich history in education, teaching at many colleges and universities. In 1972 he joined the University of Pennsylvania faculty and was appointed Tarzian Professor of History and professor of South Asian history. He was founding dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania in 1974 and four years later became its 23rd provost until 1981.

In the following eight years, he served as a president of the New York Public Library. In 1989 he was appointed president of Brown University.

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