### Planning for a new building begins

A new building for the School of Information and Library Science is in motion with a location identified and architects selected. See page 3 for details.



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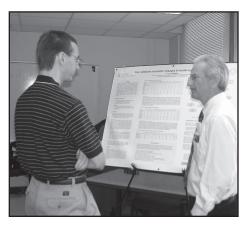












# Looking back on a year of celebrations

The School of Information and Library Science wrapped up its 75th Anniversary celebrations with a grand finale on Sept. 17. The finale closed a year of activities celebrating the School's past and looking ahead to its future.

Highlights from those celebrations include (clockwise from top): president of the Carnegie Corporation Vartan Gregorian's keynote at the finale, five past and present deans of the School opening the celebrations with a cake cutting, a presentation of student research in connection with the kickoff of the anniversary (which fostered many discussions, like the one here between recent doctoral graduate John McMullen and professor Gary Marchionini), a performance of the Tar Heel voices at the finale, some of the first SILS alumni returning to campus to celebrate the anniversary and a year of thought-provoking events, speakers and presentations.



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The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is committed to the principles of equal opportunity with regard to its students and its employees.

### Dear Colleagues,

Celebration. Accomplishment. Legacy. Innovation. Opportunity. 2007 at SILS has been an especially remarkable year for a School that continues to be noteworthy in both its participants and its activities. This year we have been reminded of the impacts those connected with SILS have made in our profession and our world. We have also been impressed with the august responsibility and exceptional potential we have to ensure that the School continues to lead and support what are arguably one of the most significant endeavors of the 21st century. I would like to draw your attention to a few highlights of this significant year.

### 75th Anniversary — the Grand Finale

It was enlightening for all of us to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the School this last year, with all of the accompanying looking back and looking forward that it engendered. Our culminating event was this last September 17th, when Dr. Vartan Gregorian addressed an impressive gathering at Memorial Hall. President of the Carnegie Corporation in New York, winner of the National Humanities Medal and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, founding dean of Faculty of Arts and Sciences and then provost of the University of Pennsylvania, president of Brown University and former president of the New York Public Library for eight years, Dr. Gregorian was joined by our own former governor Jim Hunt and Chancellor James Moeser. Their insightful comments challenged us to keep building on the rich legacy on which we stand.

### **A Platinum Home for SILS**

Planning continues to move forward on a much-needed new facility for the SILS. Consistent with our desire to provide leadership in multiple ways, on campus as well as to our profession, we have committed ourselves to developing the new building as a model of energy and environmental design, a "green building" of the highest, platinum, certification. To be built on a beautiful wooded setting near the Kenan Flagler Business School, the architectural firm Kieran Timberlake Associates LLP and DEGW, a design firm, are working with us to develop the concept for the building, confirmation of which is planned for spring 2008.

### **Intellectual and Professional Advancement**

SILS will be hosting a number of noteworthy lectures and activities over the next few months. I encourage you to both visit our Web site (sils.unc.edu) and be aware of those mentioned in the pages of these newsletters and join us for as many as you can. Your participation in these events expands their impact and relevance, and we appreciate presence at the School and on campus.

### Thank You

The following pages are filled with articles of celebrations, accomplishments, legacies, innovations and opportunities. In what is for many a hectic season of the year, I would ask that you take a few moments, pour your beverage of choice, and spend some focused time reading through this newsletter. I believe you will be impressed, as I am, of the depth and breadth of what is happening here at SILS. I also hope that you will be encouraged to consider your own ongoing role in our activities. To take the next step as an institution, we will need the combined creativity and contribution of all of our extended community and profession. Thank you for being part of it.

Sincerely,

José-Marie Griffiths, Dean

# **Thank you for supporting SILS**

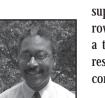
Dear Alumni and Friends:

In this issue of the newsletter, we acknowledge all who have provided gifts to the

School over the past fiscal year. Your contributions enable us to continue toward our goal of providing the best education for our students. Your gifts supply much needed support for teaching, research and public engagement.

Scholarships for needy students, lectures to enhance the educational experience and professorships to reward our dedicated, inspiring and world-renowned faculty are just some of the ways that private support contributes to a student's education.

Your support may translate into paying for books, sustaining research or defraying equipment costs--such as the cost of a laptop for a disadvantaged student or much needed electronic tools for the classroom.



Development Message

By Jeffrey Tibbs, Associate Dean for Administration

Now more than ever, business and academe need capable and creative information science and library professionals. Your

support helps to educate tomorrow's leaders, attract and retain a top-notch faculty and conduct research that enhances the global community.

While we prepare for a much needed new building (see the article below), your financial assistance in reaching our goals can make all the difference.

As you consider your donations for 2008, please keep us in mind. For gifts of \$1000 or more, we will send you *Illuminating the Past*, a

pictorial book that recalls and celebrates the first 75 years of the School (see the back cover).

As always, your generous gifts are the key to our tradition of excellence.

Sincerely, Jeffrey M. Tibbs

### Platinum is the goal for SILS new building

Last spring, planning began in earnest for a new home for SILS. The University added our request to its master plan for campus construction and a location in a beautiful wooded setting was identified near the Kenan Flagler Business School on south campus. The architectural firm, KieranTimberlake Associates LLP, and DEGW, a design firm, were selected to begin working toward designing a LEED platinum green building for the School.

The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System<sup>™</sup> is a point-based rating system determined by the U.S. Green Building Council. There are four levels of certification including: certified, silver, gold and platinum with the platinum level the highest level available. According to its Web site, "Within each of the six LEED credit categories, projects must satisfy particular prerequisites and earn points. The six categories include Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy & Atmosphere, Materials & Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality and Innovation in Design."

The architects have met with faculty, staff, students, the SILS Board of Visitors, the

Louis Round Wilson Academy and staff from the University's Facilities and Construction Department and others to gather feedback on what is needed for a new building and to learn what is expected by the University.

The firm's representatives have shared how water, wind, plant life and other environmental elements near the construction site may be of benefit as planning continues. They are currently completing the first draft of a program statement for review by the School. The next phase will include confirmation on the concept for the building.

"The new SILS building must be an innovative architectural exploration that will show the interplay between 'place' and 'space,' both physical and virtual, echoing the way our information science and library endeavors now operate in both physical and virtual worlds." said José-Marie Griffiths, dean. "Consistent with this philosophy is our desire that our new facility will be a demonstration building for sustainable and regenerative 'green' design.

"It is exciting that our planning has begun, and that we are making such excellent progress towards this goal."

### **Upcoming Events**

### January 19, 2008

NC Science Bloggers Conference Time: 8 a.m. registration Location: Sigma Xi Center, Research Triangle Park More info: http://wiki.scienceblogging. com/scienceblogging/

#### **February 6, 2008**

Henderson Lecture and Reception Keynote Presenter: Siva Vaidhyanathan, author of Copyrights and Copywrongs: The Rise of Intellectual Property and How it Threatens Creativity and The Anarchist in the Library: How the clash between Freedom and Control is Hacking the Real World and Crashing the System

Title: "The Human Knowledge Project (Part 1): Four Conceptual Errors Concerning Massive Digital Library Projects." Time: 3 p.m.

Location: Frank Porter Graham Student Union Auditorium

#### **February 8, 2008**

*ibiblio - Special Presentation* Keynote Presenter: DJ Spooky Time: 3 p.m. Location: Hanes Art Auditorium More info: *http://djspooky.com/* 

#### March 19, 2008

OCLC/Frederick Kilgour Lecture and Reception Keynote Presenter: To be determined. Location: Pleasants Family Room, Wilson Library Watch for more info at: sils.unc.edu

#### April 5, 2008

Steinfirst Lecture and Reception (book signing after the presentation) Keynote Presenter: Sarah Dessen, author of: Just Listen, Dreamland and Someone Like You Time: 10 a.m.–noon Location: Hanes Art Auditorium More info: www.sarabdessen.com/

# Knowledge Trust honors eight information pioneers

A special award ceremony in Chapel Hill Sept. 17 honored eight pioneers in information and library science and information technology.

The black tie event, the second annual Knowledge Trust<sup>™</sup> Honors award program, recognized eight who are making a significant difference in their fields.

"Those honored tonight were selected from an extraordinary group of nominees and were, despite lengthy discussion and review, unanimously the choices of the judging committee," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the SILS and founding chair of The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> and the Louis Round Wilson Academy. "The winners are those who challenge the status quo. They represent what can happen when innovation, entrepreneurship and a willing spirit take hold."

Louis Round Wilson Academy members nominated candidates for each award. The Academy, formed in the fall of 2005 and based at SILS, includes world leaders in library and information science, technology management and other professions.



The Knowledge Trust<sup>™</sup> Access Award for promoting, expanding and enhancing access to the world's recorded knowledge: Thomas S. Blanton,

director, National Security Archive, George Washington University.

One of the first principles of the Trust and one of the first public statements adopted by the Louis Round Wilson Academy addressed the critical issue of access. As a great defender of access, Blanton directs the activities of the National Security Archive at George Washington University. Blanton won The Knowledge TrustSM Access Award in 2006. At the time of the celebration last year, he was meeting with Mikhail Gorbachev to receive the Reagan/ Gorbachev summit talks, thereby making these papers accessible for the first time to the world.

"Blanton joined the National Security Archive as its first Director of Planning & Research. He became Deputy Director in 1989 and Executive Director in 1992."

The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> Education



Award for furthering the intelligence, integrity, responsibility and reliability of successive generations of knowledge professionals, creators and users:

Jeffrey Elkner, teacher, Arlington County Public Schools; project leader, Open Book Project.

Elkner currently teaches mathematics and computer science in the Arlington County, Virginia, Public Schools. He also serves as co-Web master of the The Open Book Project, a site that "aims to cover projects that are connected with either open source hardware or software. The Open Book Project seeks to encourage and coordinate collaboration among students and teachers for the development of high quality, freely distributable textbooks and educational materials on a wide range of topics."

Through the Open Book Project, Elkner writes educational material and places it on the Web for others to use. He also involves his students in active and positive ways.

**The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> Exploration Award** for creating or compiling new knowledge, tools and services: John Hanke, director, Google Earth and Maps.

Hanke was the founder and CEO of Keyhole, Inc. that was acquired by Google in 2004. Keyhole's flagship product was renamed Google Earth. The release of Google Earth caused a more than tenfold increase in media coverage on virtual globes, driving public interest in geospatial technologies and applications. In August, 2007, Google Earth added a tool for viewing stars and astronomical images. Google Sky is produced by Google through a partnership with the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore, the science operations center for Hubble.

**The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> Innovation Award** for furthering the creative and innovative use of, and balanced access to, the world's recorded knowledge: Pamela Jones, founder and editor of Groklaw.

Groklaw is an award-winning Web site that covers legal news of special interest to the Free-and-Open-Source-Software community. Groklaw's innovative purpose was to establish a site where the technical and the legal communities could pool their skills and collaborate. With some 12,000 volunteers, it also researches historical and technical information regarding evidence in specific cases and makes legal filings available in plain text for all cases covered by the site, so as to make the information easily accessible and searchable by the public and for the benefit of the disabled who depend on readers.

Jones' articles have appeared in *Linux Journal*, the webzine *LWN.net*, *Linux World*, *Linux Today* and *LinuxWorld.com*. Jones was one of the contributing authors of O'Reilly Media's well-received, *Open Sources 2.0: The Continuing Evolution*. Groklaw is in the top 1,000 most visited Web sites in the world, according to Netcraft figures.



The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> Next Generation Leadership Award is for young people whose study, innovation and independent thought shed

new light on the world's recorded knowledge: Ryan P. Allis, cofounder and chief executive officer, iContact.

In November 2005, Allis was named by BusinessWeek as one of the "Top 25 Entrepreneurs Under 25." From iContact's beginnings in July 2003, he managed the company to its current size, with more than 60 employees, over 14,000 customers, and over \$6 million in annual sales. At the age of 18, Ryan wrote a book, published by McGraw Hill, entitled, Zero to One Million: How to Build a Company to \$1 Million in Sales. Today at age 23, he has been a keynote speaker and panel participant at conferences from Chicago to London, and featured on ABC News, CNBC's Big Idea with Donny Deutsch and in Fortune Small Business, Success, Investors' Business Daily, Entrepreneur Magazine, and the Wall Street Journal.

**The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> Preservation Award** recognizes those who archive, prioritize, defend and protect the Knowledge Trust: Brewster Kahle, digital librarian, director and co-founder, the Internet Archive. Kahle is also a visiting professor at SILS.

Kahle recognized the potential and need

# DigCCurr2007 attracts nearly 300 attendees

#### by Carolyn Hank

DigCCurr2007: An International Symposium in Digital Curation was held at the William and Ida Friday Center from April 18-20, 2007, attracting nearly 300 participants and over 100 speakers from ten countries.

The symposium was made possible through the support of the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), as a component of the three-year, IMLS-funded grant project, "Preserving Access to Our Digital Future: Building an International Digital Curation Curriculum (DigCCurr)." The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is a SILS partner in this initiative.

This collaborative project seeks to develop an openly accessible, graduate-level curricular framework, course modules and experiential and enrichment components and exemplars necessary to prepare students to work in the 21st century environment of trusted digital and data repositories. DigCCurr2007 is the first of two planned symposia to bring the issues of digital curation and this curriculum to the broader library, archives and museum communities, as well as the public. The second symposium is tentatively planned for Spring 2009.

Through panel discussions and presentations, DigCCurr2007 emphasized the work, needs and challenges of today and tomorrow's digital curators. Panelists and presenters represented leaders in the fields of digital curation and digital preservation from a broad collection of professional institutions, including national, academic and research libraries, archives, data centers, information schools, IT companies and government. Welcoming remarks were delivered by SILS Professor and DigCCurr principal investigator, Helen Tibbo; SILS Dean, José-Marie Griffiths and UNC's Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, Bernadette Gray-Little.

Five concurrent and three plenary sessions focused on topics confronting digital curation professionals and educators preparing students for future roles as digital curation researchers and practitioners. Topics included: "What is Digital Curation," "What Do Digital Curators Do and What Do They Need to Know," "Mechanisms for Influencing Data Curation Practices" and "Digital Curation in Practice."

In addition to IMLS and NARA, DigCCurr2007 was supported by UNC's University Library and the help of many SILS student volunteers. The DigCCurr project team is particularly appreciative of the excellent work of the 2006-07 DigCCurr Project Assistant, John Schaefer.

For more information on DigCCurr2007, including papers, presentation slides and abstracts, please see the symposium Web site at: *www.ils.unc.edu/digccurr2007/* For more on the DigCCurr project, visit the Web site at: *www.ils.unc.edu/digccurr/* 

### **Knowledge Trust**

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for a worldwide digital library and developed tools that enabled the creation and maintenance of such a library. In addition, he has, in the words of his ad-

mirers, "built technologies, companies and institutions to advance the goal of universal access to all knowledge."

Kahle currently oversees the non-profit Internet Archive as founder and digital librarian,

> which is now one of the largest digital archives in the world.

The Knowledge Trust<sup>™</sup> Wilson Prize for Lifetime Achievement for a lifetime of

accomplishment in knowledge exploration, compilation and stewardship in service to society: David P. Reed, Information Scientist, Adjunct Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Media Laboratory and HP Fellow at Hewlett-Packard Laboratories.

Reed is a pioneer in the design and construction of the Internet protocols, distributed computer systems, and PC software systems and applications, co-developing both the Internet design principle known as the "endto-end argument" and Reed's Law, which describes the economics of group formation in networks.

At the MIT Media Lab, Reed currently co-leads work on viral communications, exploring adaptive, scalable and evolving radio network architectures. He is a recipient of the Public Knowledge IP3 Award and has served on the FCC's Technological Advisory Council and other groups, advising the U.S. government on issues related to future communications technologies.

At HP Labs, Reed invents architecture to support large-scale human-centered communications communities.

The Knowledge Trust<sup>™</sup> Special Award for Lifetime Achievement: Thomas Barnett, Graphic Designer, Writer, Digital Artist.

Barnett served as consultant, and later as principal Web site designer prior to his death in June of 2007, of the University of North Carolina Access Project, a project to catalogue and compare the physical accessibility and student services of all 16 public University of North Carolina campuses to differently abled students. The Web site, launched in August 2006, incorporates the highest standards of user accessibility for visually and physically disabled users.

Barnett was an Honors Fellow, Presidential Scholar and recipient of the GlaxoSmithKline Opportunity scholarship at Elon University. He was inducted into the Phi Kapa Phi Honors society in 2006. He actively alerted and engaged the Elon community to recognize, correct and provide universal physical access to public spaces and community activities.

The Knowledge Trust<sup>SM</sup> is a commitment made in October 2005 by the SILS to shape a critical role for 21st-century knowledge professionals—those who are trusted to seek out, organize, preserve, protect and contribute to the knowledge needed to support human endeavor and innovation.

For more information about The Knowledge Trust<sup>™</sup>, the Louis Round Wilson Academy or the Honors Program, please visit: www.theknowledgetrust.org

# North Carolina House recognizes 15 years of ibiblio

As one of the world's first Web sites and largest digital libraries celebrates its 15th anniversary this year, a special gift of acknowledgement was delivered to Paul Jones, director of ibiblio.org, from the North Carolina House of Representatives. The "Certificate of Acknowledgement and Congratulations" honors the 15th anniversary of the site. It includes the following text:

Whereas, October 31, 2007, will be the 15th anniversary of the first public demo of sunsite.unc.edu, which is now known as ibiblio.org; and

Whereas, the ibiblio Web site, digital repository and community have become cultural treasures of the State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, ibiblio has played a pivotal role as both a medium and advocate for the free and open sharing of digital information.

*Now, therefore, this the eight day of March* 

In the year Two Thousand and Seven

Representatives Deborah Ross and Verla Insko recognize ibiblio for its commitment and contributions to technology and culture, and to the North Carolina community as a whole.

The document is signed by house speaker, Joe Hackney, attested by Denise Weeks, principal clerk; and signed by Deborah Ross, representative of district 38; and Verla Insko, representative of district 56.

"ibiblio is indeed a cultural treasure, not only for North Carolina but for those around the world who care about or are impacted by the free and open sharing of information in digital form," said José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "Through changing times ibiblio has continued its leadership and innovative exploration of the online universe, and has modeled even more pioneering ways to provide access to and interaction with multiple genres and formats of information. We are delighted that ibiblio has yet again been acknowledged for their significant work, and greatly appreciate the opportunities it provides for our students and faculty by being in our midst."

The recognition from the NC House of Representatives was one in a series of events celebrating ibiblio's 15th anniversary. Bob Young, founder of Red Hat, Lulu.com and Lulu.ty, kicked off the celebrations with a talk on Oct. 30 about "ibiblio, Open Source, Lulu, and the number 42." Other events are planned throughout the next year (see the sidebar and the SILS Web site for more information).

ibiblio.org is a contributor-run digital library and archive serving the world. Although ibiblio began as a way to share and support all kinds of free software, it now hosts more than 2,000 non-software related projects. From Project Gutenburg to etree.org (where fans share concert music); from charities and non profits both in North Carolina and worldwide to video documentaries of folk practice; and from educational sites to those of odd amusements, ibiblio.org serves more than 16 million requests for information per day.

### **Upcoming events**

January 19. Second North Carolina Science Blogging Conference. Sigma Xi Center in Research Triangle Park. More information at: http://wiki.scienceblogging.com/ scienceblogging/

**February 8**. Remix artist DJ Spooky (before his world premiere at Duke University). Hanes Art Auditorium. More information at: *http://djspooky.com* 

edu with Judd Knott in 1992 just before the wide release of the World Wide Web, which made the Internet as we now know it available to all.

"When we began sunsite, our vision was to help allow people to participate in the creation of their own future and success by inspiring, developing and sustaining the sharing of our common wealth of knowledge," said Jones. "That vision continually enhanced drives ibiblio today."

In addition to Web-based services, ibiblio is involved in Internet2 projects, 3-D environments and video archiving and supports NASA educational videos and the streaming of seven not-for-profit radio stations. ibiblio is also involved in free software development directly with several local projects as well as leadership in the Linux Documentation Project.

For more information, visit ibiblio at: http://ibiblio.org

Jones conceived the site as sunsite.unc.

### Seminar takes innovative approach to digital curation curriculum

#### by Heather Barnes

This past spring, Prof. Helen Tibbo led an innovative Seminar in Digital Curation for doctoral students. The course used the Health Sciences Library's new Collaboration Center, a meeting space that incorporates advanced information communication technologies.

The Collaboration Center's technologies include a "DisplayWall," a 10'x8', high-resolution visual display; a "SmartBoard"; and video-conferencing and LCD projection equipment.

The Seminar in Digital Curation was a first for UNC-- it was the first class to utilize the Collaboration Center for a semester-long course.

The Collaboration Center's technologies allowed the class to reach across the pond, inviting students from the Humanities Advanced Technology and Information Institute (HATII) at the University of Glasgow (Scotland) to join in the seminar. The class met in the Collaboration Center once per week throughout the Spring 2007 semester, meeting up with HATII students and faculty, including Dr. Seamus Ross, an international leader in issues of digital curation and preservation. Seminar participants in both countries engaged in the course simultaneously using the Collaboration Center's videoconferencing and communications equipment.

The Collaboration Center was created to "foster creativity and peer-to-peer learning among multi-disciplinary research teams through a combination of technology, staff expertise and supporting library services and facilities." It was created in coordination with the Renaissance Computing Institute (RENCI).

More information about the Collaboration Center is available at: http://www.bsl.unc.edu/Collaboration/index.cfm

# **SILS welcomes Carolina Digital Curation Fellows**

by Carolyn Hank

As a component of the three-year, IMLSfunded project, "Preserving Access to Our Digital Future: Building an International Digital Curation Curriculum (DigCCurr)," SILS is pleased to announce the appointment of five Carolina Digital Curation Fellows. This two-year Fellowship program supports graduate students interested in research and work in digital curation. The Carolina Digital Curation Fellows are combining coursework with a practicum assignment in a UNC-Chapel Hill academic library, archive or data center, leading to a master's degree in Information Science or Library Science.

#### John Blythe

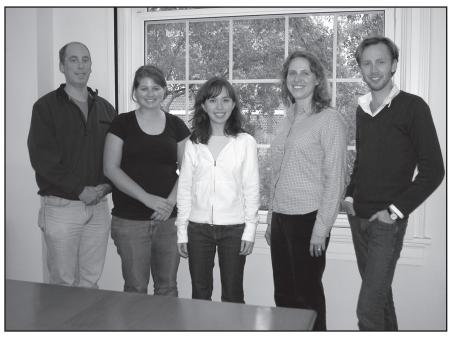
John Blythe, a native of Chapel Hill and Carolina alumnus, came to SILS following an 18-year career in journalism that included stints as a Web editor, radio producer and newspaper reporter. His interest in digital curation and preservation grew out of an encounter with a box of old tapes made by his grandfather during a long career as a newspaperman and writer in North Carolina. John will be pursuing his MSIS, and will serve his first-year practicum with the University Library's Documenting the American South (DocSouth) initiative.

#### **Lisa Gregory**

Lisa Gregory earned her BA in English Literature from Samford University and an MA in English from the University of New Mexico (UNM), where she developed an interest in digital curation while digitizing and preserving slide images . She has worked at the Special Collections Department of the Samford University Library, at the Bunting Digital Resources Library of UNM and, more recently, at D.H. Hill Library at North Carolina State University. Lisa is pursuing an MSLS, and will serve her first practicum year with the University Library's Digital Library at Carolina, working on a variety of projects, including the initiative to build and deploy an institutional repository.

#### Samantha Guss

Samantha Guss holds a BA in English



The Carolina Digital Curration Fellows (from left): John Blythe, Samantha Guss, Jennifer Mantooth, Lisa Gregory and Mark Swails.

from Pennsylvania State University. She was an intern on the Hemingway Letters Project, a project to collect and publish the complete correspondence of Ernest Hemingway, and recently worked on the Pennsylvania Newspaper Project to preserve and microfilm Pennsylvania's newspapers. Samantha is interested in digital preservation as it relates to the cultural record and in how digitization affects the user's experience. Samantha is pursuing an MSLS. Her first-year practicum is with the Odum Institute for Research in Social Science, investigating data life cycle characteristics in the context of a social science data repository.

#### **Jennifer Mantooth**

Jennifer Mantooth graduated from North Carolina State University with a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science. Working as a language lab coordinator for the Duke University Library System, she witnessed first hand the value of digital text and media as learning tools and the potential for future growth and application. Jennifer is currently pursuing an MSIS. For her first-year practicum, she is helping ibiblio.org to enhance the documentation and management of its online collections.

#### **Mark Swails**

Mark Swails received his BA and MA degrees in American History from Emory University with a focus in Southern History. He first became interested in librarianship through a student job at Emory's Heilbrun Music and Media Library. This interest, combined with his work with historical documents, ultimately led him to digital curation. Mark is pursuing an MSLS, and he is working with Information Technology Services' Teaching and Learning division for his first-year practicum. Mark will work on several projects with the overall intent of applying principles of digital curation to practical teaching and learning applications.

The goal of the Carolina Digital Curation Fellowship program is to produce high-quality information professionals prepared to work in the 21st-century environment of digital information. It offers the Fellows the unique opportunity to interact and collaborate with key international leaders in digital preservation. Dr. Helen R. Tibbo serves as Principle Investigator (PI) for the DigCCurr project, and Dr. Christopher (Cal) Lee serves as Co-PI. For more on the DigCCurr project the Fellowship program, please see: *http://ils. unc.edu/digccurr* 

### Red Hat's Michael Tiemann appointed visiting scholar



Vice President of Open Source Affairs for Red Hat, Michael Tiemann, has been appointed a SILS visiting scholar.

In this role, Tiemann will meet with faculty, staff and stu-

dents in their fields of research and their work.

"We are delighted that Michael Tiemann is joining the School as a visiting scholar," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "His work in open source is substantial and closely maps to our philosophy of promoting access to information with the global community."

Tiemann is a true open source software pioneer, making his first major open source contribution over a decade ago by writing the GNU C++ compiler, the first native-code C++ compiler and debugger. His early work led to the creation of leading open source technologies and the first open source business model.

In 1989, Tiemann's technical expertise and entrepreneurial spirit led him to cofound Cygnus Solutions, the first company to provide commercial support for open source software. During his ten years at Cygnus, Tiemann contributed in a number of roles from president to hacker, helping lead the company from fledgling start-up to an admired open source leader.

Tiemann serves on a number of boards, including the Open Source Initiative and the GNOME Foundation.

He also provides financial support to organizations that further the goals of software and programmer freedom, including the Free Software Foundation and the Electronic Frontier Foundation.

Tiemann previously visited SILS when he gave the 2007 OCLC/Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture in Information and Library Science, "Sharing Knowledge, Multiplying Value: The Non-Linear Nature of Open Source Software."



Community Workshop Series participants, from left, Grant Lynch (MSLS student), Jennifer Lobmann (SILS alumna and Project LIFT Librarian, Durham County Library), Amy Thompson (MSLS '07), Kim Vassiliadis (Instructional Design and Technology Librarian, CWS Web Designer), Margot Malachowski (branch librarian, Carrboro Cybrary) and Lisa Norberg (project coordinator and Director of Public Services, UNC's Academic Affairs Library).

# Workshop series wins ACRL award

The "Community Workshop Series" created by the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Library's Instructional Services Department received the 2007 Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Instruction Section (IS) Innovation award. Sponsored by Lexis-Nexis, the annual award recognizes a project that demonstrates creative, innovative or unique approaches to information literacy instruction or programming.

Amy Thompson (MSLS '07) served as the Community Workshop Series student project coordinator and Lisa Norberg, an adjunct faculty member at SILS, is the project supervisor. Fifty-four other SILS students also volunteered with the series and help ran the program.

"The Community Workshop Series is a programming innovator, a model of creativity and quality we found especially compelling for its multi-level partnerships and multiple innovations," said Kathleen Gallagher, IS awards committee chair.

The "Community Workshop Series" brings information literacy programming into the community through a partnership between the University Library and four local public libraries: Chapel Hill Public Library, the Carrboro Cybrary and Carrboro Branch Library and the Durham County Public Library. The UNC Library's Instructional Services Department, which initiated and manages the program, recruits and trains instructors from the Library, SILS and from undergraduates. The public libraries produce publicity, manage registration and provide facilities for the classes.

The program represents an opportunity for UNC's public library partners to offer a service they would not otherwise have the staff to provide, while for the University Library it represents "an important effort" in its mission "to serve the local community and the people of North Carolina."

On the UNC campus, the program has also built bridges between the Library, SILS and the Service Learning Office, while actively involving the Library in the instructional development of future librarians and the service learning of undergraduates.

A prize of \$3,000 and a plaque was presented to the project team during the 2007 American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in Washington D.C.

ACRL is a division of the American Library Association, representing 13,000 academic and research librarians and interested individuals.

# WILIS enters second phase, seeks participants

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has awarded researchers at SILS and UNC's Institute on Aging (IOA) a \$566,385 federal grant to continue studying career patterns of library and information science graduates.

The grant will be used to extend the work done in a previous IMLS-funded SILS/IOA project, "Workforce Issues in Library and Information Science (WILLS): Developing a Model for Career Tracking of LIS Graduates."

WILIS is exploring educational, workplace, career and retention issues faced by graduates of six North Carolina library and information science programs over the past 40 years. The new project, dubbed WILIS 2, is a three-year effort to generalize the careertracking survey and methodology used in the first study into a national career-tracking model for LIS graduates.

WILIS 2 researchers are working to recruit as many LIS programs as possible to participate in a staged national launch of the career-tracking model, conduct surveys and provide access to results for the participating LIS programs. The project will also explore options for sustaining the national careertracking model, disseminate findings and publicize the availability of the model to all LIS programs.

"WILIS 2 gives us a great opportunity to

share what we have learned in our career study of LIS graduates in North Carolina with other programs," said SILS professor Joanne Gard Marshall, principal investigator on both WILIS and WILIS 2. "The end result will be a model that educators, employers and other stakeholders can all use to better understand what happens to LIS graduates, thereby allowing us to take an evidence-based approach to educational and workforce planning."

As WILIS 2 begins, researchers continue to work on the first phase of the WILIS project. They have launced a Web survey and are recruiting graduates from North Carolina library and information science programs for the survey.

Those who graduated between 1964 and 2005 from the Appalachian State University Library Science Program, Central Carolina Community College Library and Information Technology Program, East Carolina University Department of Library Science and Instructional Technology, North Carolina Central University School of Library and Information Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill School of Information and Library Science or UNC-Greensboro Department of Library and Information Studies are asked to contact the WILIS team with their contact information if they have not already done so.

"Over a third of the graduates from the six schools have responded to the survey so far,"



Marshall said. "Every response we receive helps to make this a better and more effective study. I would like to encourage everyone to participate even if they have retired or left the field."

Those interested in participating should send an e-mail, including the graduate's name and e-mail address, to: wilis@unc.edu Participants will then receive instructions about how to complete the Web survey.

More information about the study and summaries of the results when they are available may be found at: *http://www.wilis. unc.edu/* 

### Sessions focus on library services for aging population

Professor Joanne Gard Marshall recently worked with scholars and other library and information professionals from around the country in two sessions that explored the topic of how libraries can better serve an aging population.

UNC hosted a week-long training institute for over 20 public librarians from across the country from July 30 to August 3. The focus of the training was on redefining adult services in public libraries as the baby boomers move towards their retirement years. The institute was part of the Lifelong Access Libraries program.

"There is tremendous potential for active, civically engaged older adults to transform our communities in areas such as health care, social services and the environment," said Marshall, who is leading an evaluation of the Lifelong Access Libraries program. "Public libraries can be a resource and a staging area for active older adults as they continue to learn, network, organize and contribute."

The Lifelong Access Libraries Institute was the initiative of the Libraries for the Future (formerly Americans for Libraries Council).

UNC faculty members from SILS and the UNC Institute on Aging participated in the program along with experts from other parts of the country. Public Librarians from Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Durham and Fayetteville also participated.

More information about the Lifelong Access Libraries program can be found at: *http://www.lifelongaccess.org/* 

Marshall also led a spirited discussion of the demographics of our aging population and its impact on library and information services as well as the aging of the library workforce at North Carolina Central University in Durham on October 24. The discussion was part of a series of enrichment experiences for participants in the Diversity Scholars program.

The Diversity Scholars program, supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, provides funding for 20 minority students who will earn a master's degree in library science.

More information on the Diversity Scholars program can be found at: *http://www.nccuslis.org/imls/faq.htm* 

# SILS, School of Law honor Gasaway

SILS Dean Dr. José-Marie Griffiths and Law School Dean John C. (Jack) Boger joined nearly 200 attendees at the 100th annual meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) in New Orleans, La., on Sunday evening, July 15, in the Crescent Ballroom of the Wyndham Canal Place Hotel to pay special tribute to SILS adjunct professor Laura N. (Lolly) Gasaway.

Professor Gasaway, an authority on intellectual property and copyright law, now serves as associate dean for Academic Affairs and professor of Law at UNC's Law School. She was previously director of UNC's Law Library. Gasaway was AALL president from 1986-87, served on the AALL executive board, and has been an active member of that association for many years as well as of the Special Libraries Association and the Association of American Law Schools.

Dean Griffiths greeted the guests by acknowledging Gasaway's many accomplishments and her special contributions, including expansion of the SILS joint degree program with UNC's Law School, and mentioned the School's number one rating by *U.S. News & World Report*, which also placed law libraianship fifth in the top ten speciality areas of its list. The joint degree program was initiated many years ago by the late Mary W. Oliver, former UNC Law Library director and a past president of AALL from 1972-73.

Other UNC Law Library directors who served as AALL president are the late Lucile M. Elliott (1953-54), and Carol Avery Nicholson (2002-03).

In his remarks, Dean Boger recognized Gasaway's distinguished service not only to the University of North Carolina, but also to legal education, law librarianship and copyright and intellectual property on a national level.

Boger said that when he asked Professor Gasaway to "move upstairs" and play a larger role in the School of Law, he was certain she would continue to be an asset to the Law Library and the School of Information and Library Science, as well as to legal education and the law librarianship profession.

Among the many guests attending the reception were Professor Gasaway's mother and aunt; SILS Librarian and current SLA President



Friends and colleagues gather around Professor Gasaway to celebrate at her reception at the annual AALL meeting in New Orleans.

Rebecca Vargha; SILS Board of Visitors member Judith C. Russell, dean of University Libraries at the University of Florida; SILS Campaign Committee member Peyton R. Neal, Jr. (UNC Law 1965); Anne Klinefelter, director of the UNC Law Library and associate professor of Law and adjunct professor at SILS; Marian Parker, (MSLS 1979), associate dean for Information Services, director of the Professional Center Library at Wake Forest University, and a member of the Building Committee for the planned new facility for SILS; and a number of staff members from the UNC Law Library.

Also there to honor Gasaway were graduates of SILS and the UNC Law School who were attending the AALL annual meeting. The Honorable Marybeth Peters, register of Copyrights, U.S. Library of Congress, was a distinguished guest.

Dean Griffiths participated in the 100th AALL annual conference as a "VIP Guest" from the Southeastern Chapter of the association. She took part in a number of the professional programs' informal discussions with other attendees and noted speakers, including other legal and library science educators and practitioners.

# **Evidence-based practice conference draws over 300**

Over 300 library and information professionals from around the world gathered in the Research Triangle in May 2007 to explore the potential of evidence-based library and information practice to transform the profession. This was the first time that this international conference has been held in the United States—previous host countries were the United Kingdom, Canada and Australia.

SILS Alumni Distinguished Professor Joanne Gard Marshall chaired the conference, and SILS doctoral student Carol Perryman co-chaired. Dean José-Marie Griffiths provided a keynote presentation entitled, "Substantiating the Value of Library and Information Services: Collecting and Using the Evidence to Tell the Real Story."

The contributed papers and posters review committee was chaired by Andrew Booth from the UK. Over 100 paper and poster authors from eight countries, as well as keynote presenters from the UK, New Zealand, Canada and the USA made the conference a truly international event. Two days of continuing education opportunities rounded out the conference.

"It was wonderful to hear the idea of linking research to practice discussed by library and information professionals from all types of libraries" Marshall said. "All of us need to use the best available evidence to improve what we do everyday no matter what type of library or information setting we work in. We had a chance to hear about what is happening in our own profession as well as in professions such as social work."

The conference program and full text of many of the papers may be found at: *www.eblip4.unc.edu/* 

# SILS celebrates 75th anniversary finale

After a year-long celebration, the grand finale of the 75th anniversary of the School of Information and Library Science ended on a special day with a special presenter.

The finale was held September 17, which coincided with the day that classes began in 1931 with 37 students. The crowd was honored with a presentation by Dr. Vartan Gregorian, president of the Carnegie Corporation of New York. It was in the spring of 1929, that the Carnegie Corporation granted the University of North Carolina funding to support a library school. It was with this support that University Librarian, Dr. Louis Round Wilson, established what is now the School of Information and Library Science.

"I am delighted that Carnegie Corporation played a significant role in your school's history," said Gregorian. "In 1929, right smack in the midst of the Depression, it had the wisdom and the foresight to grant you \$100,000 in support of your library school."

Gregorian's talk was titled, "In Praise of Reading." He discussed the importance of reading and its impact. "Ladies and gentlemen, I have come to praise libraries, the book, knowledge, the joy of reading and the glory of the Internet," said Gregorian in his opening remarks. "I have come to pay tribute to educators, librarians, information scientists and all communicators of culture and creators of knowledge. As our world plunges into an ever-expanding universe of information, with all of its e-bells and e-whistles. I would like to encourage librarians and other knowledge professionals to take greater leadership in bringing coherence to the Information Age, for who is better equipped to help separate the chaff from the wheat of knowledge? And who better to help us understand that knowledge itself is the core of our shared humanity?"

The finale included introductory remarks by UNC at Chapel Hill Chancellor, James Moeser. "In professional education, scholarship, and service to the state and nation, the School of Information and Library Science has distinguished itself among schools of its kind," said Moeser. "It is consistently recognized as the best school of information and library science in the nation, so it is no surprise that our state recognizes the school's accomplishments."

### North Carolina House Joint Resolution 249

Sponsors: Representatives Bordsen, McLawhorn, Underhill, Tolson (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Allen, Carney, Coates, Dickson, Earle, Fisher, Glazier, Harrison, Johnson, Luebke, Martin, and Wainwright.

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF LOUIS ROUND WILSON, SUSAN GREY AKERS, AND FREDERICK G. KILGOUR OF THE SCHOOL OF INFORMA-TION AND LIBRARY SCIENCE, THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL, ON THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING.

Whereas, on September 17, 1931, Dr. Louis Round Wilson opened at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill a School of Library Science devoted to the preparation of library and knowledge professionals; and

Whereas, Dr. Susan Grey Akers, the first woman dean at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, assumed leadership of the School in 1932, and served librarianship and the University for more than 20 years; and

Whereas, Frederick G. Kilgour, visionary founder of OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc. (initially known as the Ohio College Library Center), the leading global library cooperative, served as a distinguished research professor at the School of Information and Library Science from 1990 until his death in 2006; and

Whereas, free and wide access to knowledge for education, research, professional service, and the delights of reading remain essential to democracies, cultures, industries, and governments around the world; and

Whereas, the vision of Dr. Wilson and Dr. Akers continues to guide the mission and values of the School, its faculty, and its students; and the achievements of Frederick G. Kilgour epitomize the School's values of public learning, shared information, and the stewardship of treasured knowledge; and

Whereas, the School has been consistently recognized as the foremost institution of its kind in the United States of America, and has contributed distinguished information professionals to the institutions of North Carolina, the nation, and the world; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. The General Assembly honors the lives and achievements of Louis Round Wilson, Susan Grey Akers, and Frederick G. Kilgour, and their legacies embodied in the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

SECTION 2. The General Assembly congratulates the School of Information and Library Science on the 75th anniversary of its vision, teaching, scholarship, service, and advocacy for the information professions.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of The University of North Carolina.

SECTION 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

As a special surprise, NC State Senator Eleanor Kinnaird read House Joint Resolution 249. (See the resolution above.) The Resolution was initially presented to the House by Representative Alice Bordsen (MSLS '83).

Dr. Gregorian was introduced by Governor James B. Hunt, who served an historic four terms as Governor of North Carolina.

Dean Griffiths closed out the finale by describing her view for the School's future. "We have been working this past year to crystallize our thoughts and plans, to set a course for this SILS of the 21st century, a course that will reflect and articulate this stewardship and trust," said Griffiths. "We have taken the phrase "an uncompromising advocacy for knowledge" as our call to action. As a faculty and a School we have committed ourselves anew to excellence, integrity, leadership, collaboration, community, diversity, stewardship, sustainability and regeneration. We intend to leverage our strengths, expand into complimentary fields and further our global participation and impact. We are growing and will continue to grow, both in size, expertise and contribution."

# **Barnes McCollough tapped as EPA Library director**

Tamika Barnes McCollough was appointed to the US Environmental Protection Agency Library in Research Triangle Park as director in September 2007. As part of the EPA Library, she is an employee of SILS.

Tamika comes to the EPA Library from the E.D. Bluford Library at North Carolina A&T State University, where she worked since 2005 as head of reference and information literacy.

"We are delighted that Tamika has joined the EPA Library as director," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of the School of Information and Library Science. "She brings strength and experience in both science and librarianship. We are looking forward to working with Tamika as our relationship with the EPA Library continues to strengthen."

SILS has provided library services at EPA-RTP since 1974. The agreement between the School and the Federal government provides three contract employees from SILS who staff the library, including

the director, and offers between 10 and 18 internships every year for SILS master's students at either the EPA library or the nearby National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences library.

"The EPA Library is a place for continuous learning from the EPA community, the forward thinking staff, and the new ideas and technology shared by the interns," said Barnes McCollough. "The opportunity to be part of such a prestigious program that has had phenomenal leadership in the past and interns that have become leaders in the profession is an honor. I am thrilled that I am able to combine my interest in the sciences, leadership and mentoring library school students all in one position."

Barnes McCollough replaces April Errickson who held the post of EPA-RTP director from 2003 until she accepted the position of Federal Library Manager for the EPA-RTP Library in July 2007.

# Tibbs appointed SILS associate dean



Jeffrey M. Tibbs has been appointed associate dean for administration. Tibbs began at the School on July 31, 2007.

Tibbs comes to SILS with over 25 years of management and leadership experience in industry, government, healthcare and higher education. He earned his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Michigan in 1979 and his master's of business administra-

tion from the University of Phoenix in 1998.

Tibbs has held management positions at a number of institutions in Michigan, including Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation, University of Michigan Hospitals and the University of Michigan.

Most recently, Tibbs served as the executive director for administration and financial services for the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor's Information Technology Central Services (ITCS). He oversaw finances, human resources, facilities and space management and business development and planning for ITCS, which provides computing services for over 75,000 people at the University of Michigan.

Tibbs will have many of the same responsibilities as associate dean. He will lead the SILS administrative staff, oversee financial planning, budgeting and human resources and lead the planning efforts for new SILS facilities.

"Jeff is an excellent senior administrator who is coming to SILS at a crucial time," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "His expertise in human resources, planning and budgeting will be of great benefit as the school begins to focus on our future growth, including our new facilities."

"We're delighted to welcome Jeff to SILS and are excited to add his leadership, ideas and enthusiasm to the school," Griffiths said.

## Kelly, Bergquist chosen for outstanding teacher awards

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Ph.D. from Rutgers

Two School of Information and Library Science faculty members were honored with Outstanding Teacher Awards for the 2006-2007 school year during the school's May 13 commencement ceremony. Dr. Diane Kelly, assistant professor, and Dr. Ronald Bergquist, adjunct assistant professor of practice, were nominated by students on the basis of their teaching excellence, innovation, classroom instruction and mentoring.

A member of the SILS faculty since January 2004, Kelly specializes in user modeling, relevance feedback, personalization, information-seeking behavior, experimental



University.

Bergquist received the Outstanding Teacher Award specifically reserved for adjunct faculty.

As a graduate teaching fellow from 2000-2006, Bergquist has taught "Retrieving and



Analyzing Information," "Tools for Information Literacy" and "Seminar in Public Libraries." He earned his Ph.D. in Information and Library Sciences from

the UNC-Chapel Hill in 2006, and he has a B.A. in geography from the University of Texas at Austin, an M.A. in Middle East Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, CA, and an MSLS from SILS. He is a Colonel (retired) in the U.S. Air Force.

### Faculty/Staff News

# King appointed distinguished research professor



Entrepreneur and renowned researcher and statistician, Donald W. King, has been appointed distinguished research professor.

King was co-founder of Westat, Inc., which is recognized as one of the premier survey research companies in the U.S. He served as executive vice president and president of the Survey Research and the Home Testing Institute Divisions of Westat from 1961 until 1974. In 1976 he founded King Research, Inc., a firm that focused on research in information and communication services.

The results of King's research are extensive and includes innovative approaches to evaluation that have led to: a worldwide study and development of cancer information systems; surveys for *ABC Nightly News* and a Barbara Walters special for NBC; a series of studies on consumer safety; a series of a dozen studies

# Thomas, Bailey receive staff awards

On April 30, 2007, Lara Bailey and Susan Thomas received the 2007 SILS Staff Excellence Awards.

The award recognizes staff members who demonstrate excellence, commitment, teamwork and outstanding service to the School. They received a framed certificate, three extra days of paid vacation and \$500.

Bailey, who started at SILS in 2003, is currently the School's student services manager. She handles many tasks necessary to keep SILS running academically, including planning class schedules, coordinating the admissions process and helping students navigate University processes. Bailey also coordinates the School's Winter and Spring commencement ceremonies.

Thomas was the SILS administrative manager who oversaw the business side of SILS. She managed the School's day-to-day finances. Thomas started at SILS in 1994. She recently transferred to another UNC unit.

Dr. Paul Solomon, professor and senior associate dean, presented the awards at a staff appreciation ceremony in Manning Hall. for the National Science Foundation, from 1968 to 1992; studies of the impact of the 1976 revision to copyright law, which led to the Copyright Clearance Center and a study of the cost benefit for copyright formalities. He and colleagues have consistently completed a large number of economic analyses and readership surveys of scientific, technical and medical communication involving scholarly journals.

"Don is a powerful national voice that we are honored to have represent UNC at Chapel Hill and especially the School of Information and Library Science," said Dr. Gary Marchionini, Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor and chair of the SILS Personnel Committee that unanimously selected King for this appointment. "He has already made important contributions to SILS and the university through his service on national advisory panels, and he continues to work on important research for the information and library science profession." Since retiring in the mid-1990s, all of King's research contributions have been pro-bono.

King has reported his research in 11 coauthored books (three award-winning) and edited five others; approximately 80 articles, reviews and book chapters; and nearly 300 other formal publications. He is frequently invited to speak about his research around the world.

King has served on numerous policy boards and committees—such as two National Academy of Sciences committees—and in elective positions in professional societies such as the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) and the American Statistical Association.

In addition to Distinguished Research Professor, King has received many honors and awards including Pioneer of Science Information, Chemical Heritage Foundation; Fellow, American Statistical Association and Award of Merit and Research Award, ASIS&T.

### **Dean Griffiths leads SECC**



SILS Dean José-Marie Griffiths and UNC-CH Chancellor James Moeser sign their pledge forms at the State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) kickoff on Oct. 1. The SECC is a statewide giving campaign that collects employee donations for nearly 100 NC charities. With a campus-wide goal of \$850,000, Dean Griffiths chaired the UNC-CH portion of the 2007 SECC, and a number of SILS staffers helped organize the campaign. More information is available at: http://www.unc.edu/secc/

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S.R. Ranganathan publishes The Five Laws of Library Science.

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The American Society for Information Science and Technology, ASIS&T, is founded.

### Louis Round Wilson first proposes in an Annual Report of the Librarian that the University consider establishing a school of library science.

### 1931

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Endowed by a \$100,000 grant from the Carnegie Corporation, the School of Library Science holds its first classes on Sept. 17 in the University library.

The first class of 29 students graduates

on June 7 with Bachelor of Arts in

Library Science degrees.

### 1945



Vannevar Bush publishes his essay "As We May Think" in the Atlantic Monthly.

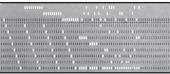
### 1941

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Miss Jean Freeman begins working in the School's administrative office on Sept. 1. She was a fixture there until she retired 36 years, eight deans and one building change later.





The first "Cranfield tests" in information retrieval begin.



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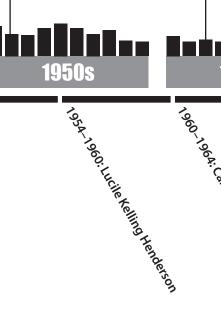
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1951 University approves School's program leading to a Master of Science in Library Science degree.

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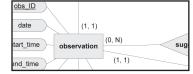
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School moves into Manning Hall one

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E.F. Codd publishes his paper outlining the concept of the relational database.

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Tim Berners-Lee designs the World Wide Web.

Name change to the School of Information and Library Science becomes official. The School initiated its Master's of Science in Information Science

program the same year.

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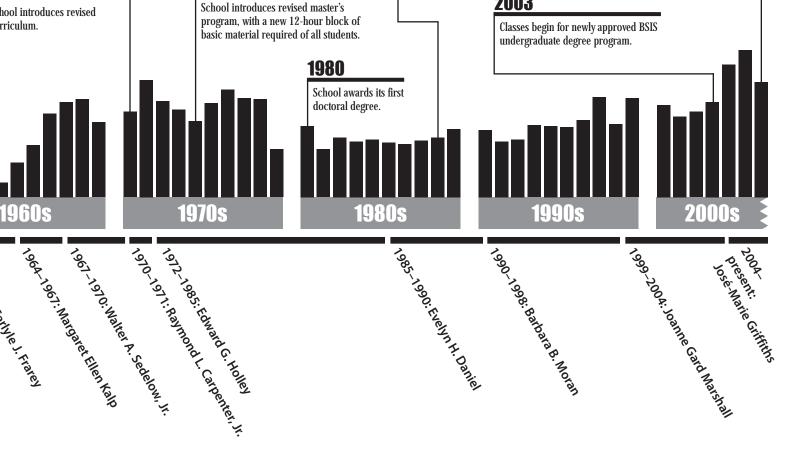
The first XML standard is published by the World Wide Web Consortium.

### 2006



School celebrates is 75th anniversary; 120 students graduate from SILS in the Spring and Fall 2006 semesters.

### 2003



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# Greenberg, Méndez edit Semantic Web book

Drs. Jane Greenberg, a Francis Carroll Mc-Coll Term Professor at SILS, and Eva Méndez, a professor of librarianship and information science at Spain's University Carlos III of Madrid and former visiting scholar at the SILS Metadata Research Center, have coedited the recently released book *Knitting the Semantic Web*, published by Haworth Press, Inc.

The Semantic Web is viewed as an extension of today's World Wide Web that can allow humans and computers to seamlessly work together by giving online information semantic structure. *Knitting the Semantic Web* covers a series of interdisciplinary efforts leading to a more library-like Web through "semantic knitting."

According to the publishers, the book "examines foundation activities and initiatives leading to standardized semantic metadata. These efforts lead to the Semantic Web—a network able to support computational activities and provide people with services efficiently."

Knitting the Semantic Web includes a series of articles by leaders in library and information science, computer science and information intensive domains, who are exploring the Semantic Web and playing a significant role in its development.

The book contains contributions from over 20 scholars on topics such as:

• Web/Library 2.0

• Semantic Web standards like RDF, SKOS (the Simple Knowledge Organization System) and FOAF (Friend of a Friend)

• Controlled vocabularies

 Semantic Web technologies in biomedicine

"Our goal was to bring together a series of articles by people who are exploring the Semantic Web and playing a significant role in its development," Greenberg said. "We want



Dr. Eva Méndez and Dr. Jane Greenberg. Photo courtesy of Eva Méndez

to make evident that librarians/information professionals can play an important role in developing, growing, and maintaining the Semantic Web—or what we see as the emerging Web of data."

"We are not sure if we will ever have a full-blown Semantic Web, but our understanding of the Semantic Web is a more library-like Web," Méndez said.

# Wildemuth wins election for ASIS&T director-at-large



Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, professor, has been elected to a three-year term as Director-at-Large for the American Society of Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T).

Wildemuth is part of the ASIS&T Board that governs the organization of approximately 4000 information science and library professionals in more than 50 countries worldwide. The organization's mission is to "advance the information sciences and related applications of information technology by providing focus, opportunity and support to information professionals and organizations."

Wildemuth has taught at SILS since 1988, and in addition to her role as professor, she has served as associate dean of the School's undergraduate programs from 2002 to 2005, and as Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor from 2004 to 2006. Wildemuth has been active in ASIS&T since 1976, most recently serving as program co-chair of the 2005 ASIS&T Annual Meeting. She helped establish the ASIS&T Special Interest Group on Information Needs, Seeking, and Use (SIG USE), has organized the Doctoral Seminar for Research and Career Development for over a decade, and has served on a number of ASIS&T committees and award juries.

## Jones named Distinguished Lecturer at Kansas State

Paul Jones, director of ibiblio and clinical associate professor at SILS and the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at UNC at Chapel Hill, has been named university distinguished lecturer at Kansas State University. Jones was nominated by Thomas Gould, associate professor of Journalism and Mass Communication at Kansas State University who has followed Jones and ibiblio since he was a student at UNC at Chapel Hill ten years ago.

Jones traveled to Kansas State University this fall where he presented a talk in the Uni-

versity's Hale Library about the importance of archiving the "interesting collections" and how ibiblio "collects the collectors" who are interesting in their own right.

"We collect the collectors," said Jones. "We give them as much power as we can to move forward." While at Kansas University, Jones also met with library staff and visited classes in the Computer Science and Journalism Schools.

"Paul brings an open, friendly perspective to issues that challenge everyone within the University—from a dean of libraries to assistant professors in computer science or mass communications," said Gould. "Of course, it is obvious he knows a lot and knows how to make some sense out of the chaos of online scholarship. But he also can reach students and academics on a personal level, whether the discussion winds through the vagaries of The Commons, or in a full-throated debate over whether Kansas City or North Carolina has the best BBQ. He's a gem and we thoroughly enjoyed his visit."

### Faculty/Staff News

# Mostafa joins SILS faculty



Dr. Javed Mostafa has joined the faculty of SILS and the Biomedical Research Imaging Center (BRIC), a multidisciplinary Center at UNC, for a joint appointment as

associate professor on August 1, 2007.

Mostafa comes to SILS from Indiana University at Bloomington where he was the Victor H. Yngve associate professor of Information Science at the School of Library and Information Science and associate professor of Informatics at the School of Informatics.

Mostafa has also had formal faculty affiliations with the Cognitive Science Program in Bloomington and the Computer and Information Science Department in Indianapolis.

His current research focuses on secure and personalized access to health information.

"We are delighted that Javed has joined SILS and the Biomedical Research Imaging Center for this important joint appointment," said Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, dean of SILS. "We have found an outstanding, experienced and nationally recognized scholar to help build SILS' and BRIC's capabilities in the area of bioinformatics with special emphases on large-scale data integration, visualization and user control of complex information."

Mostafa earned his Ph.D. from the School of Information, the University of Texas at Austin in 1994. He has a master's from the College of Education at Ohio State University and a bachelor's of science degree in Computer Science from North West Oklahoma State University.

He is widely published in the information retrieval area. Mostafa is also an associate editor of the *ACM Transactions on Information Systems*.

### **Faculty Briefs**



**Catherine Blake** (assistant professor) won the John Wiley Best *JASIST* Paper award for her two-part article with Wanda Pratt, "Collaborative Information Synthesis," in

the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology* (vol. 57, nos. 13 and 14). The award, given at the 2007 ASIS&T Annual Meeting, recognizes the best refereed paper in the current volume year of *JASIST*.

Jane Greenberg (recently named a Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor for 2007-2009) presented two papers at the 2007 Dublin Core conference in Singapore (one with SILS students Sarah Carrier and Jed Dube) and gave a keynote, "Web semantics: addressing metadata generation challenge,' at II Encuentro Nacional de Catalogación y Metadataos Centero Universitario de Investigaciones Bibliotecológicas at the National Autonomous University of Mexico. She and her Metadata Research Center (MRC), with Christie Silbajoris (MSLS '00), director of NC Health Info at UNC's Health Sciences Library, received a grant from the National Network for the Libraries of Medicine for an automatic metadata maintenance project for "Go Local" health resources. The MRC also received funding from the National Science Foundation for the Digital Repository of Information and Data for Evolution (DRIADE) project with the National Evolutionary Synthesis Center. The MRC hosted a talk by technology evangelist Paul Miller in an open metadata class on Web/Library 2.0. The center is collaborating with UNC's Office of Sponsored Research in experimenting with automatic taxonomy development to describe faculty research expertise.

José-Marie Griffiths (professor and dean) presented "The Use, Usefulness and Value of Museums in the U.S.: an IMLS-Funded Study" last spring for the Archives and Museum Informatics at their "Museums and the Web" 2007 Conference. She was the keynote for the Leadership Institute, part of the Special Libraries Association annual conference where she presented, "Weaving Invisible Cloth, Developing Leadership for 21st Century Libraries." She also conducted a workshop, "Calculating Return on Investment in Special Libraries and Information Centers: Consequences of Not Having an Information Center" during the June conference. Griffiths presented "Exploration and Discovery, Opportunities and Threats: Navigating the Digital Age," at SOLINET in September, and "Crumbling Collaborations or Systems Synergy: the Role of Libraries in the Age of Data Deluge," at the "Promoting Digital Scholarship: Building the Environment" symposium at the Council on Library and Information Resources, in Washington, D.C. in November 2007.



Sandra Hughes-Hassell (associate professor) had several papers published recently, including "School Reform and the School Library Media Specialist" with

Violet Harada in Libraries Unlimited (August 2007), "Making Storytime available to children of working parents: Public libraries and the scheduling of children's literacy programs" with Denise Agosto and Xiaoning Sun in Children and Libraries (vol. 5, no. 2) and "The leisure reading habits of urban adolescents" with Pradnya Rodge in the Journal of Adolescent & Adult Literacy (vol. 51, no. 1). She and Harada have another paper in press in Teacher Librarian, "Facing the reform challenge: Teacher-librarians as change agents." Her article "Using focus group interviews to improve library services for youth" was selected as one of the best of the previously published works from Teacher Librarian or VOYA and will be included in Toward a 21st Century School Library Media Program. She also served as a consultant for the August 2007 Mini-Page, a four-page tabloid written for children.

### Faculty/Staff News

**Diane Kelly** (assistant professor) served as a senior program committee member for the Association for Computing Machinery's Special Interest Group on Information Retrieval (SIGIR) Annual International Conference 2007 and was asked to serve again next year. She also gave a tutorial at the conference, "Conducting user-centered information retrieval system evaluations." Kelly was invited to join the editorial board of the *Journal of Information Retrieval*; was an invited speaker at the IPAM workshop and published numerous papers.

**Donald King** (distinguished research professor) had his paper, "The cost of journal publishing: A literature review and commentary," published in *Learned Publishing* (vol. 20, no. 2).

**Cal Lee** (assistant professor) and **Helen Tibbo** (professor) coedited a special edition of the *Journal of Digital Information* (vol. 8, no. 2). The issue's theme was "Digital Curation and Trusted Digital Repositories."



**Robert Losee** (professor) had two papers published in *Information Processing & Management* (vol 43, no. 4) recently: "Decisions in thesaurus construction and use" and "Percent perfect

performance (PPP).'



Gary Marchionini (Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor) launched the UNC-CH YouTube video channel and developed the "Information In Life" video series of lectures and

interviews at: *youtube.com/uncchapelbill*. Marchionini gave invited talks at the National Library of Medicine lecture series ("Toward personal health record usability"), the IBM Watson Lab's MMPIC Seminar ("Toward multimedia surrogation") and the University of Illinois' computer science department ("Beyond known-item search"). He attended and presented at the ACM SIGCHI Conference, the ACM/IEEE Joint Conference on Digital Libraries, the ACM SIGIR Conference and the ASIS&T Conference and served on review panels for the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health-National Library of Medicine. Marchionini was appointed chair of the ERIC steering committee and was awarded a Library of Congress NDIIP contract for the VidArch project with co-investigators Helen Tibbo (professor), Cal Lee (assistant professor) and Paul Jones (clinical associate professor).

**Paul Solomon** (Francis Carroll McColl Term professor and senior associate dean) co-chaired the 2007 ASIS&T Annual Meeting, "Joining Research and Practice: Social Computing and Information Science" held Oct. 19 - 24 in Milwaukee, WI. Solomon was also inducted into the Frank Porter Graham Honor Society, which reconizes exceptional service and dedication to the University and to their Schools.



**Brian Sturm** (associate professor) had two articles published recently: "Storytelling and Environmental Education for Teachers and School Media Librarians" on the Storytelling in Schools

Web site (*storynet-advocacy.org/*) and "Cyberbullying: from playground to computer" with Tara Anderson in *Young Adult Library Services* (vol. 5, no. 1). He also presented "Storytelling as a Means of Communicating in Business Settings" at a Durham County Public Library staff development meeting and "The Immersive Power of Created Worlds" for UNC's Games4Learning Conference. Sturm was the leader of the 2007 Oxford trip to the Bodleian Library.

**Helen Tibbo** (professor) was the organizer or co-organizer of a number of recent conferences and meetings, including DigC-Curr2007: International Conference on Digital Curation (for which she was also the chair of the program committee), the Society of American Archivists First Research Forum, the NHPRC Electronic Records Research Fel-



lowships Writing Retreat, the Developing Standardized Metrics Team Meeting, and the DigCCurr2007 Advisory Board Meeting. She presented "Managing the Digital

University Desktop" with **Timothy Pyatt** (Adjunct Assistant Professor of Practice) at the Society of American Archivists Preconference Workshop and "Digital curation and digital preservation: An introduction" with **Carolyn Hank** (Ph.D. student) at the Joint Conference on Digital Libraries (JCDL) Tutorial. Tibbo also served on the JCDL 2007 program committee.



**Rebecca Vargha** (SILS librarian) traveled to South Africa through the People to People Professionals Outreach Program. Vargha and 15 other members of the Spe-

cial Library Association met with librarians and information professionals in both Cape Town and Johannesburg.



Mark Winston (associate professor) presented a paper, "Public library management: The role of research in adding value to practice," at the International Conference on Public

Library Management and Services Trends in Taipei, Taiwan. He conducted a training session on "Leadership in Fostering Organizational Change," at the Lifelong Access Libraries Leadership Institute and presented a paper entitled "Diversity and Race: A Necessary and Complicated Relationship," at the American Library Association Annual Conference, for an Association of College and Research Libraries, Racial and Ethnic Diversity Committee panel program. He and **Allison Rainey** (MSLS student) have been awarded an American Library Association Diversity Research Grant, for a proposal entitled "The Complexity of Diversity in the Post 9/11 Era."

### **Student News**

# Herzog's SILS skills help in tsunami recovery

Betsy Ronan Herzog, MSLS student, thought the Web skills she picked up in her Internet Applications class at SILS would serve her well during her 10-week internship last summer with UNC's Kenan Institute Asia in Khao Lak, Thailand.

As it turns out, her experience working the reference desk in campus libraries helped her more.

Herzog's duties originally consisted of redesigning the Phang Nga Tourist Association's Web site to help revitalize the area after the 2004 tsunami. When she arrived in Thailand, though, she found plans had changed. "When I arrived at the office in Thailand, I found out that the Association already had a Web design company," Herzog said. "All of a sudden my responsibilities changed. I had to get the leadership of the Association to communicate with the Web designers and come up with a plan that incorporated the needs of the Association and all of the local businesses and kept the site up to date."

Although Herzog's job changed from Web designer to liaison, she said the skills she had learned at SILS were still crucial to the job.

"My experience working reference in campus libraries the previous year gave me

the opportunity to hone my people skills, and this certainly came in handy in Thailand," she said.

Herzog said she learned lessons in Thailand that she could bring back to SILS as well. "The easiest lesson I learned was that Thailand is amazing," she said. "All of the cliches are true: friendly people, beautiful landscape, and delicious food. But maybe the most significant thing I learned was that I am interested in international development as a career."

More information on Herzog and Kenan Institute Asia is at: *http://www.kiasia.org/* 

# Two groups of SILS students travel to Washington, D.C.

Two groups of SILS students traveled to Washington, D.C., recently to see how library and information professionals work in the nation's Capital.

One group visited from Oct. 18–20 and was organized by the Information and Library Science Student Association (ILSSA), the organization for all SILS graduate students. The 15 students in this group toured Washington libraries and information agencies and met with professionals to learn more about their careers.

Stops on the ILSSA tour included the National Geographic Society, Dow Jones and Company, the National Archives, the Library of Congress and National Public Radio. Libby Gorman, ILSSA vice president and trip organizer, said the trip was a success. "It went very well," she said. "Everyone seemed to enjoy it and the weather was great."

The second group consisted of ARL Academy students from SILS, Simmons College and Catholic University of America.

During the Sept. 16–19 visit, the students and faculty liaison Professor Joanne Gard Marshall were hosted by the Association of Research Libraries (ARL), an association whose members include the top academic research libraries in North America. The Leadership Institute included presentations on scholarly communication as well as the current ARL initiatives and the latest trends in academic libraries. A highlight of the trip was an entire day "behind the scenes" at the Library of Congress. The students were paired with curators whose expertise related to the students' interests and background. Deanna Marcum, association director for Library Services at LC, met with the group and spoke about leadership in academic and research libraries which added to the special nature of the visit.

The ARL Academy has been funded by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Additional information, including biographies of the ARL fellows, maybe found on the SILS Web site at: *http://sils.unc. edu/research/projects/ARL\_bome.htm* 

### **Student Briefs**

**Devan Donaldson** (MSLS student) was awarded a scholarship from the Rare Book School, an independent non-profit educational institute supporting the study of the history of books and printing. Donaldson will use his scholarship to take a course at the Grolier Club in New York City, "The Printed Book in the West since 1800."

**Monte Evans** (MSIS student) accepted a Cisco Growing with Technology Award on behalf of Shodor, a Durham nonprofit serving educators and students. The awards recognize organizations for using the Internet and network technologies in innovative ways to grow. Evans has been involved with Shodor since he was in middle school and worked as Shodor's first intern.

**Michael Fitzgerald** (MSLS student) was awarded a travel grant to attend the annual Southeast Music Library Association conference in Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 18–20. He gave a presentation at the conference, "Researching the Rat Race: Gigi Gryce and jazz biography," based on his 2002 book *Rat Race Blues: The musical life of Gigi Gryce*.

Erik Mitchell (Ph.D. student) had his

paper, "Integrating library services: A proposal to enable federation of information and user services," published in *Internet Reference Services Quarterly* (vol. 12, no. 3/4). The volume is also being published as a monograph, *Federated Search: Solution or setback for online library services*.

"Informing Blog Appraisal through Bloggers' Perspectives on Selection and Preservation," a paper written by **Songphan Choemprayong, Carolyn Hank** and **Laura Sheble** (Ph.D. students), was presented at the Appraisal in the Digital World Conference in Rome, Italy by Hank on Nov. 15.

# Wilkins Jordan honored at University Research Day

Mary Wilkins Jordan, a Ph.D. student at the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill (UNC-CH), earned top honors at the University's Third Annual University Research Day on March 6.

The poster Wilkins Jordan presented at the event, "What the Heck are we Supposed to Know? Competency Development for Public Librarians," won the Best Overall and Innovative Research awards.

University Research Day is an event that gathers graduate students from across UNC-CH in the University's student union and lets them present their research - in the form of posters and papers - to the University community. Awards are given to participants in several

categories, including Best Overall, Innovative Research, Best Poster and Best Presentation.

Wilkins Jordan and other University Research Day honorees were recognized at the Ninth Annual Graduate Student Recognition Celebration April 9.

Several other members of the SILS community also took part in the day. Ph.D. student Terrell Russell presented his poster, "claimID.com: Self-Representation via Controlled Online Identity." Assistant professor Diane Kelly, associate professor Mark Winston, student services manager Lara Bailey and former student services assistant manager Meg McKee were among the approximately 25 judges at the event.

# **Student Briefs**

**Lewis Church, Jr**. (Ph.D. student) successfully defended his dissertation proposal in March. His dissertation will focus on combinatoric models of several performance measures for centralized information retrieval.

### **Teri DeVoe** (MSLS) received the 2007 Special Libraries



Management Division's Student Award for her essay describing her student internship with the Environmental Protection Agency Research Triangle Park Library. The award recognizes a student who "is especially interested in pursuing a career as an information professional dealing with environment and resource management issues."

**Carolyn Hank** (Ph.D. student) won a Society for Scholarly Publishing (SSP) Travel Grant. The grant supported travel to and attendance at the 2007 SSP Annual Meeting June 6-8 in San Francisco. Hank was one of ten students and young professionals selected to receive the grant.

**Lovetta Jones** (Ph.D. student) successfully defended her dissertation proposal, "K12 Teachers and Technology Integration," in May.

**Greg Johnson** and **Rita Johnston** (MSLS students) won scholarships to attend the Managing Electronic Records Conference (MER) in Chicago May 21-23. The pair received the awards after submitting essays discussing why they wanted to attend MER, what they hoped to learn at the conference and how attending the event fit into their career goals.

Several students received awards during the School's 2007 commencement ceremony. Christie McDaniel, Cassidy Sugimoto and Larry Taylor won Outstanding Service to the School awards for their service to the SILS community. Laura Barwick, Phillip Binkowski and Megan Perez received Dean's Achievement Awards for producing superior quality master's papers.

**Sanghee Oh** (Ph.D. student) and her collaborators, Eun G. Park (McGill University, Montreal, Canada) and Youngjoon Nam (Chung-ang University, Seoul, South Korea) had their article "Integrated Framework for Electronic Theses and Dissertations in Korean Contexts" published in the May 2007 edition of the *Journal of Academic Librarianship* (vol. 33, no. 3).

**Michael Peper** (MSLS) won two travel awards to attend the Special Library Association's 2007 Annual Conference in June. Peper won both the Inspec Travel Stipend Award from the SLA's Engineering Division and the Marion E. Sparks Award for Professional Development.

**Fred Stutzman** and **Terrell Russell** (Ph.D. students) and their ClaimID project were profiled in the article "Your virtual identity: Who are you online?" in the Spring 2007 issue of *Endeavours*, a magazine that highlights research and creative activity at UNC-Chapel Hill. ClaimID (claimid.com) is a project that allows individuals to control their online identity.

**Fred Stutzman** attended the Oxford Internet Institute's Summer Doctoral Program July 16-27. The program "brings together students from around the world for up to three weeks of study with leading academics in the field of Internet Studies, and provides an academic framework in which to share and discuss students' current research."

### Students - faculty inducted into honor society

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Frank Porter Graham Honor Society inducted three members of the SILS community into its ranks. Xin Fu (Ph.D. student), Amy Thompson (MSLS '07) and Paul Solomon (Francis Carroll McColl Term Professor and senior associate dean) joined the society at an induction ceremony on April 10. Founded in 1990, the Frank Porter Graham Honor Society recognizes individuals in UNC-CH's graduate and professional schools for exceptional service and dedication to the University and their schools. The society is named after former UNC president and North Carolina senator Frank Porter Graham.

### Spring Commencement

### Spring 2007 Distinguished Alumna Award



Patricia Harris (MSLS, '70) received a 2007 School of Information and Library Science Distinguished Alumna

Award at the School's spring commencement on May 13. Mark Sanders, president of the SILS Alumni Association, presented Harris with the award.

Harris is Technical Information Specialist of the Global Standards and Information Group at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). NIST supports the National Center for Standards and Certification Information and the U.S. Inquiry Point for the WTO Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement.

Harris has had an interesting career since earning her degree from SILS. She has worked as an assistant reference librarian at Princeton University with special responsibilities for the development and management of the Afro-American Collection.

She then joined the staff of the American Library Association—first in the Office for Intellectual Freedom and then as Assistant to the Executive Director in the Association's Executive Offices.

She returned to Washington D.C. in 1979, working at the Library of Congress and the U.S. Department of Education managing the major federal funding program serving research libraries. Harris served as the Executive Director of the National Information Standards Organization for 20 years, developing the organization's program and services on behalf of the library, information services and publishing communities to international recognition and prominence.

She has also served as a consultant to the American National Standards Institute and to various associations involved in standards development work focusing primarily on education, training, standards processes and methods and human resource development.



School of Information and Library Science May 2007 graduates and faculty pose on the steps of Manning Hall before the commencement ceremony on May 13, 2007.

### **Doctor of Philosophy**

W. John MacMullen

### Bachelor of Science of Information Science

Justin David Alberti Jonathan Allen Beam Jesse Lee Carter Robert Lee Cooper Philip Fulcher Martina Patrice Gargard Sagar Harwani Lawrence Tweh Keah Jr. Sherief Khaki Holly Franklin Mabry Ronald Peyton Maddox Travis Reid Mason James Dixon Mormando Cristobal Palmer Lucas Rowe

### Master of Science in Information Science

Kaye Marie Balke Phillip John Binkowski Daphne Jenifer Childres Noel Reed Fiser Gary J. Hausman Thomas Matthew Howell Bin Jia

### Outstanding Service to the School Award

Christie Lynne McDaniel Cassidy Rose Sugimoto Arthur Lawrence Taylor Julia Kulla-Mader Kevin Edward Lanning Trisha Lynn Long Heather A. McCullough Christie Lynne McDaniel Arthur Lawrence Taylor Lisa M. Thursby

### Master of Science in Library Science

Thea Suzanne Allen **Elizabeth Ann Appleton** Stephen Michael Bahnaman **April Star Brewer** Kathryn Elizabeth Champion **Rachel Elaine Click** Teresa Ann DeVoe Margaret Elizabeth Dickson Agatha Susan Donkar Leslee Farish Megan Alayne Griffin **Ellen Miriam Hampton** Jessica Suzanne Harvey **Megan Ruth Hendershot** Sarah Ziegler Hodkinson **Emily Sarah Jack Gregory P. Johnson** Margaret Simpson Keller **Beth Ann Koelsch** 

### Dean's Achievement Award

Laura Elizabeth Barwick Phillip John Binkowski Megan Zoe Perez

Kari April Kozak LaTisha Deneene Lankford Eben Lehman Sara Gault LoreeJenny **Elizabeth McCraw** Lynne Anne Mohrfeld Megan Zoe Perez **Rebecca** Anne Pierson Kelly A. Potter Meredith Elizabeth Rendall **Emily Ann Riley** Michelle Ann Rubino James Lawrence Ruth **Gillian Rae Sciacca** Alison Anastasia Shahan **Aperna Merie Sherman Ashley Martin Smith Cassidy Rose Sugimoto** Amy Jo Thompson Joshua Johnson Vossler Jennifer Andréa Waldman **Dina Florence Waxman Angela Jones Wilder Baasil Toussaint Wilder** Danielle Marie Zynda

### **Certificate of Advanced Study** Dorothy M. Wilder

Outstanding Teacher of the Year Diane Kelly Ronald Bergquist

# SILS Alumni Association kicks off a new year

#### by Jean Ferguson

Greetings fellow alumni! As the President of the SILS Alumni Association, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your involvement in our activities to date. Our mission is to provide opportunities for alumni to give back to current SILS students, maintain contact with SILS classmates, develop new contacts within the library and information professions and recognize distinguished achievement within the SILS family.

I'm proud to be working with an excellent board this year:

• Mark Sanders serves as the past president. He has been the vice president/president of SILSAA since 2005. Mark is currently the interim head of Reference at Joyner Library at East Carolina University in Greenville.

• Cassidy Sugimoto is the incoming vice president/president-elect. She is currently a doctoral student at SILS.

• Suchi Mohanty is our new secretary. Suchi is the reference and instruction librarian at House Undergraduate Library at UNC at Chapel Hill. Suchi also serves as adjunct instructor at SILS.

• Angela Bardeen has taken over the treasurer responsibilities from Joan Petit, mid-term. Angela has recently joined Davis Library at UNC as the social sciences reference librarian after having worked at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

We've also had the pleasure of having the Information and Library Science Student Association (ILSSA) vice president, Libby Gorman, serving on our board since January 2007. Libby will be leaving us at the end of the year to be replaced by an incoming ILSSA board member, soon to be elected.

I'd like to thank our board members who have recently completed their terms. Thank you to Amy Gresko who served as vice president / president / past president from 2004-2007. We will miss her organization and institutional memory. Thank you to Charles Cobine who served as Secretary from 2005-2007. Soon after ending his term, Charles left Davis Library at UNC for the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia where he is the new Research and Instructional Services librarian and coordinator for Digital Outreach Services. And thank you to Joan Petit, our former treasurer, who has moved to Egypt with her family to work in Reference and Instruction at the libraries at



The SILS Alumni Association Board for 2007/2008 includes (from left to right, front row) Libby Gorman, ILSSA representative; Suchi Mohanty, secretary; Cassidy Sugimoto, vice president/president-elect; Angela Bardeen, treasurer; (back row) Mark Sanders, immediate past president; and Jean Ferguson, president.

American University in Cairo.

We've planned a full calendar for this year with much alumni involvement. One of the most successful activities held last year was our Speed Networking event. Based on the concept of Speed Dating, alumni and current students had three minutes to chat with each other about their positions and interests. At the end of each three minute segment, the students would rotate to the next alum. We hope to repeat this activity this spring and would appreciate your participation.

We're always looking for new ways that we can connect the alumni with the school, the alumni with current students or the alumni with each other. Look for more information in your mailbox in the upcoming year soliciting feedback on how we can provide these connections to you.

In order to help us keep you informed of our activities, I encourage you to join the sils-alumni listserv. The traffic is extremely light and the list provides an invaluable communication tool. Visit our Web site at *http://sils.unc.edu/alumni/* and click the "Alumni Listserv" link on the right side of the screen to add your name to our e-mail list.

### SILS Alumni Association Executive Board, 2007-2008

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### Alumni News

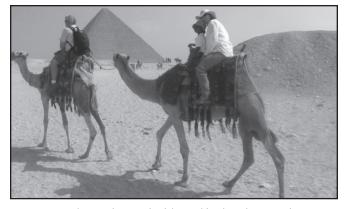
# Joan Petit at home at American University in Cairo

When Joan Petit (MSLS '06) was a little girl, she knew she would probably live overseas someday. After all, her parents were global travelers and her father ran a hospital ship called Project Hope in the 70s that sailed from San Francisco to Tunisia and other parts of Indonesia. But it wasn't until she adopted her two sons, Solomon and Fiseha from Ethiopia that Joan became increasingly interested in northeastern Africa—especially the areas around the Nile River.

Last spring, a position for an instruction and reference librarian was posted for the American University in Cairo (AUC). Joan applied. When the job was offered, she was in the middle of processing adoption paperwork, and decided to "go for it." She and her husband, Kurt, moved to Cairo, Egypt.

Joan says that the library at AUC runs much like a typical American academic library. "I teach two sections of IAIT 101, the required information literacy course," said Joan. "I work at the reference desk. I help administrate IAIT 101, and right now I've spent time working on a curriculum revision." She says that the lifestyle in Cairo is great with incredible benefits including paid, furnished housing; six weeks of annual leave; plane tickets to the US for her and her family; good salary; several paid holidays and a seven hour workday. The downside is feeling somewhat isolated professionally; however she keeps up with blogs and listservs and connecting with colleagues she met at SILS.

While at SILS, Joan was president of ILSSA in 2005 and she was awarded the Service to the School Award by the SILS Alumni Association in 2006. In addition, she was involved in the Carolina Academic Library Associates (CALA) internship at UNC Libraries, which she says



Joan Petit and son Solomon (right), and husband Kurt with son Fiseha (left), explore the pyramids in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt.

was incredibly valuable for her professionally. After graduation, she worked at the Duke University Library and was treasurer of the SILS Alumni Association until her move. Joan says that the relationships she formed with faculty, her classmates at SILS and colleagues at CALA are what she values most.

For those interested in moving overseas, Joan assures that it's not as scary as it seems and that her move has been "totally worth it." "I suspect that whether I stay here for two years or many years, this is the experience of a lifetime," she said.

Joan invites alumni and students who are interested in international librarianship to be in contact (e-mail jpetit@aucegypt.edu).

### **David Goble appointed state librarian of South Carolina**

David Goble, (MSLS '89) has been appointed State Librarian of South Carolina. His appointment began on March 19, 2007 in Columbia, SC.

According to the *South Carolina Legislative Manual*, Goble is responsible for, among many other duties, providing reference services to the state government, administering state and federal aid to South Carolina libraries, operating the South Carolina Library network and developing cooperative programs in the state's public library system.

Goble spent four years as dean of Library Services at Central Piedmont Community College (CPCC) Libraries in Charlotte, NC. According to his colleagues, he made many improvements and contributions to library services at CPCC, as well as on local and state levels.

Goble served two terms as Chair of the North Carolina Council of Community College Library Administrators (CCCLA), where he spearheaded the 2006 North Carolina Community College LibQUAL+ endeavor, resulting in many positive changes for community college libraries.

He also chaired the North Carolina Library Association's Endowment Committee assisting in the development of the Barbara Beebe Memorial Fund in Support of Leadership Development.

In addition to chairing the Board of Visitors and the 75th Anniversary Planning Committee for SILS, Goble has demonstrated his commitment and dedication to the School by serving terms as treasurer and as president of the School's Alumni Association.

Goble is a 1969 Graduate of the Citadel in Charleston and holds a MA in American Literature from the University of South Carolina. He is a former Marine Officer and a Vietnam veteran.

Martha Anderson, BSLS '49 Robert Burke Atkinson, MSLS '73 Anthony Roane Dees, MSLS, '64 Wilmoth Peairs Hammersley, MSLS '74 Beatrice Montgomery, MSLS '57

### In Memoriam

Carol Boardman Myers, MSLS '73 Barbara Oldt, BSLS '55 Sandra Dew Perry, MSLS '67 Mary Eunice Query, ABLS '39 Janice Bolte Shotwell, MSLS '72 Alva W. Stewart, MSLS '60 Dolores Holland Swindell, MSLS '70 Maud Virginia Talley, "BSLS '54 Doris Hanner Waugh, MSLS '56

### Alumni News

### 2007

John McMullen (Ph.D.) won the American Society for Information Science and Technology's ProQuest Doctoral Dissertation award for his dissertation "Contextual Analysis of Variation and Quality in Human-curated Gene Ontology Annotations."

**Trisha Long** (MSIS) became the first student to complete the Master's of Information Science/Master's of Public Health dual degree program offered jointly by SILS and UNC-Chapel Hill's School of Public Health.

Heather McCullough (MSIS) was named interim managing co-editor for the *International Association of Language Learning Technology Journal.* 

**Lili Luo** (Ph.D.) and her Second Life avatar were featured on KQED, a California public television station, in a piece about teaching in the virtual world. Luo is a lecturer at San Jose State University's School of Library and Information Science.

### 2006



Jennifer Lohmann (MSIS) received the Trustee's Award from the Durham (NC) County Library during Staff Development Day in October. She was presented with the check, the plaque, and a witch's hat, since she is a selfproclaimed "wiki-witch."

She won the award for her efforts in helping the library staff understand the value of technology in the strategic planning process.

#### 2005

**Maureen Berry** (MSLS) was appointed librarian for first-year and distance learning services at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

#### 2003

**Anthony Bull** (MSIS), formerly of Vienna, Austria, recently relocated to California and accepted a job as a front-end engineer with Yahoo! In the position, Bull is blending design and technology skills to create dynamic interfaces for tools used to monitor high-traffic Yahoo! Web sites.

### 2001

**Lokman Meho** (Ph.D.) was named Indiana University's School of Library and Information Science's teacher of the year for the second year in a row. Meho is an assistant professor at the school.

#### 2000



Heidi (Dressler) Butler (MSLS) and husband Rodney had their first child, daughter Maeve, in April of 2006. Heidi is currently the col-

lege archivist at Kalamazoo College.

**Susan Erickson** (MSLS) was recently promoted to the position of director of systemwide public services for the Vanderbilt University library, where she also continues to work as the data services librarian. In the spring of 2007 Erickson was appointed as a fellow of the newly established Vanderbilt Center for Nashville Studies and served on a task force that designed a survey of Nashvillians.

#### **1998**

**Ralph Kaplan** (MSLS) has been elected to the position of Director at Large of the North Carolina Library Association for 2007-2009. Kaplan works at NC LIVE.

#### 1995

**Susan Murray** (MSLS) and her husband, Jim, had their first baby, Adelia Rose, on March 24. "Addie" was 21.5 inches long and weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz.

**Mary Martin** (MSLS) became director of Long Hill Township Library, a small public library in New Jersey, in April 2007. She is interested in the use of technology in libraries and extremely focused on effective marketing and PR for libraries. Martin writes a blog about the books she reads (http://whatmaryisreading.blogspot.com/) and she is co-author of another blog, "Pimp My Library," with a fellow librarian (*http://pimp-my-library. blogspot.com/*).

#### 1990

**Deborah Lee** (Ph.D.) was invited to serve as a Fellow at the 2007 Fry Leadership Institute. The institute is a two-week residential program for faculty, librarians and university information technology professionals who aspire to more significant leadership roles.

### **1989**

**Daren Callahan's** (MSIS) book, *Yoga: An Annotated Bibliography of Works in English*, 1981-2005, was published recently by McFarland & Co. Publishers.

#### 1988

**Dr. Robert S. Martin** (Ph.D.), professor and Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in the Texas Woman<sup>1</sup>s University School of Library and Information Studies, was named Fellow of the Society of American Archivists. Fellow is the highest recognition bestowed by the Society of American Archivists.

### 1979

**Stuart M. Basefsky** (MSLS) had his article, "Mis-Information at the heart of the university: Why administrators should take libraries more seriously," published in *Information Outlook* (vol. 10, no. 8). The article is freely available at: *http://digitalcommons.ilr.cornell.edu/articles/87/* 

### **1978**

**Mary Jane Petrowski** (MSLS) won the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Instruction Section's Miriam Dudley Instruction Librarian Award. The award recognizes a librarian who has "made a significant contribution to the advancement of instruction in a college or research library environment." Petrowski also serves as the associate director of the ACRL.

### 1977

The previous issue of the SILS newsletter reported that **Becky Kornegay** (MSLS, 1977) had a piece, "Amazing, Magical Searches!: Subdivisions Combine the Precision of the Cataloger with the Freewheeling Style of a Googler," published in the *Library Journal*, but omitted the fact that one of the piece's coauthors is **Heidi Buchanan** (MSLS, 2000).

#### **1972**

**Lesley Johnson Farmer** (MSLS) received California State University-Long Beach's Distinguished Faculty Scholarly and Creative Achievement Award.

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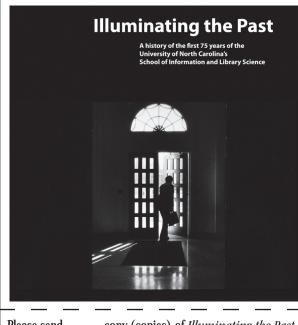
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