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UPCOMING EVENTS

August 21, 2012
Fall Semester Begins
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Manning Hall

September 23, 2012
Lucile Kelling Henderson Lecture
Featuring: John Palfrey, head of School at Phillips Academy, Andover, and director, Berkman Center for Internet & Society
Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Library
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Free and open to the public

October 5, 2012
Health Information Technology Fair
Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Library
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Free and open to the public

November 2, 2012
Celebrating the life of Dr. Jerry D. Saye
1 p.m.
Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Library

December 16, 2012
Fall Commencement
10 a.m.
Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Library

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Greetings from the Dean

Dear Alumni and Friends:

It has been a remarkable year of accomplishment with many activities taking place in celebration of our 80th anniversary. From the extraordinary kickoff to the highly successful Information Professionals 2050 (IP2050) Symposium and Conference, SILS and its extended community were energized by ideas, friendship, fond memories and excitement about the future of our school. I’d like to take this opportunity to offer a special thank you to the members of the 80th Anniversary Planning Committee for their devotion to the School and the excellent programs they designed for our celebration.

This spring we hosted several lectures and activities, including our first Health Information Technology Fair that drew 15 businesses from the Triangle area and approximately 100 attendees. Manning Hall was buzzing with activity! The popular Health IT Fair provided information about SILS and the Clinical Information Science certificate program, products and services offered by local vendors and opportunities for practicums for our students. In April, OCLC president and CEO Jay Jordan presented an exceptional talk at the annual OCLC Frederick G. Kilgour Lecture titled, “The Web and the new world of bibliography.” If you were unable to attend this fascinating lecture, be sure to watch the video at vimeo.com/uncsils. The grand finale, IP2050 Symposium and Conference were great successes with impressive contributions from the 16 presenters who are leaders in the field. We were honored to have them participate in these important events as they shared their views of what lies ahead. Watch the Web site sils.unc.edu/about/conferences/ip2050 for presentations and additional information. A publication that will include the presenter’s white papers will be published and made available later this fall.

We now move into a new fiscal year that will be crucial to the future of SILS. In concert with the University’s recently published Academic Plan, we will begin developing a new strategic plan, creating our case statement for development efforts through 2020, and conducting our self-study for reaccreditation. It is timely that these efforts coincide as they will set the stage for our continued excellence in the years ahead.

This summer, Manning Hall began minor renovations to add much needed office spaces for faculty and visiting scholars. Some of our faculty members currently share offices, and no space is available to offer our visiting professors when they arrive. In addition to a smaller open spaced workroom, two new offices are being built on the second floor occupied by ibiblio and two extra cubicles are being added in the Library Work Room on the first floor. To meet fire code requirements, an atrium has been built in the computing lab area in room 117 that provides access to an exit, and fire doors have been added on the second floor and the ground floor level of the building. We expect all the work to be completed before we welcome our new and returning students this fall.

Along with our great news, we are saddened by the passing of two of our most loved faculty members. We mourned the deaths of Drs. Deborah Barreau who passed away February 10th and Jerry Saye who left us June 7th. Both Deborah and Jerry were masterful teachers whose contributions will be seen for many years to come. Information about their lives and the plan for a memorial service for Jerry can be viewed on pages 8 and 9.

As you will see in the following pages, the SILS community continues to reach new and creative levels with news of the many honors and awards and other accomplishments, and news of innovative and meaningful research. We appreciate your continued involvement and support and ask that you keep SILS in your thoughts and actions as we take the next steps into creating our future. Your success is our success.

Sincerely,

Gary Marchionini
Dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor
In the winter of 2007, a few days before she was scheduled to leave for a conference in Seattle (WA), Dr. Claudia Gollop, Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor, had an appointment with her physician during which she mentioned a small, dull pain in her back. It was the startling results of her visit that changed her life and sent her on a trajectory to new-found information about her heart, better health and a new research project about the importance of Cardiac Rehabilitation (CR) following a cardiac event.

Gollop was fortunate to have a doctor who understood the signs of heart problems in women, whose symptoms are not always the classic pain in the left arm and chest area men often experience during a heart attack. An echo cardiogram (EKG) was performed in the doctor's office before Gollop was sent to the hospital for more tests. After further observation and a struggle to gain clear and adequate information about her condition, it was strongly recommended that Gollop undergo angioplasty to open a blocked artery.

Needless to say, Gollop never made it to Seattle, but fortunately, she did have the procedure and made a full recovery which included a CR program. After this event, however, she remained curious, even disturbed about when and how she was given information that could have helped her decision-making process.

While Gollop quickly learned how fortunate she had been to see her doctor who initially suspected her heart problem and who recognized the uncommon symptoms, she also was soon to learn about the importance of cardiac rehabilitation for her complete recovery.

Even though cardiovascular disease remains the leading cause of death in the United States and CR has more than five decades of proven positive outcomes as a method of helping to prevent further heart problems and improve the quality of life, in many instances, CR referrals have yet to become a standardized procedure.

Gollop actively pursued her own cardiac rehabilitation recovery by joining the University of North Carolina (UNC) Hospital Wellness Cardiac Rehabilitation Center, but notes that others may not receive the appropriate referrals as they leave hospitals. In fact, Gollop was not formally referred or prescribed cardiac rehabilitation, a fact which eventually led her to investigate issues related to CR referral. This lack of information is a topic in which Gollop holds great passion.

With the help of an Eleanor and Frederick G. Kilgour Research grant, she is conducting a research study about cardiac rehabilitation referral.

Her project, “Closing the Information Gap in Cardiac Rehabilitation for Women,” seeks to address this problem and targets cardiac rehabilitation

What Is Cardiac Rehabilitation?

Cardiac rehabilitation (CR), which usually takes place over a twelve week period, is designed to help survivors of cardiovascular episodes improve the quality of their lives by improving the health of their hearts and is defined as:

Cardiac rehabilitation services are comprehensive, long-term programs involving medical evaluation, prescribed exercise, cardiac risk factor modification, education and counseling. These programs are designed to limit physiologic and psychological effects of cardiac illness, reduce the risk for sudden death or re-infarction, control cardiac symptoms, stabilize or reverse the atherosclerotic process, and enhance the psychosocial and vocational status of selected patients. (Thomas, et al., 2007, p. 264)

Dr. Gollop was presented with the “Golden Sneaker Award” in 2009, by staff at the UNC Cardiac Rehabilitation Center at Meadowmont for her involvement with the Center and with the America Heart Association.
Cardiac Rehabilitation for Women

referral practices, particularly as they may impact the heart health of women. “What appears to be ‘a missing link’ in the cardiac rehabilitation enterprise is a comprehensive information delivery system designed to help healthcare providers disseminate cardiac rehabilitation referrals as patients are discharged,” said Gollop. So far, “we have conducted two focus groups made up of participants recruited through a health-related facility in the North Carolina Triangle area,” she added.

Not surprisingly, one preliminary finding indicates that there was little consistency in the methods of CR referral among participants. Another angle of interest is to include subjects who have not participated in a cardiac rehabilitation program, but may have been eligible to do so, with a closer look at any possible related information issues involved. Two more focus groups will be conducted at different locations in the near future.

Gollop and Ph.D. students, Wan-Ching Wu and Annie Chen are analyzing the data collected thus far and plan to develop a grant proposal for further examination of the protocols for CR referral and the roles information dissemination plays in the heart health of women and men. The aim for a larger study will be to investigate the protocols for cardiac rehabilitation referral practices and technologies that may be used to enhance the process of referral/enrollment rates among various demographic strata.

Dr. Gollop specializes in consumer health information, health sciences librarianship and information and diverse user groups. In addition to her current research on CR referral information, Gollop is passionate about the public’s access to health information. As a member of the UNC Wellness Center, Gollop continues to practice lessons learned during her stint in CR. She is also active in the American Heart Association and participates in the annual Heart Walk to raise awareness and funds. This year (2012) marks her sixth year with the Triangle Heart Walk.
The School of Information and Library Science celebrated the ending of its 80th anniversary year by taking a forward look at the future of our field and its graduates during the Information Professionals 2050 (IP2050) Symposium and Conference.

“The debates about the roles, return on investments and future of higher education are rising to a feverish pitch,” said Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor. “It is clear that from the White House to our individual homes the discussion has begun to rival the level of health care concerns. The natures of higher education, libraries and information resources are affected by globalization, new technologies, multiculturalism and environmental constraints, and our responsibility to the information professionals of tomorrow require us to offer learning experiences that foster creative and adaptive thinking, cooperative problem solving, compassion and mutual respect, and devotion to learning and knowledge stewardship.”

Sixteen information and library science leaders were invited to participate in the symposium where they presented position statements and discussed each of their perceptions of how the changes on the horizon will impact how students are educated, institutions are designed and how we may prepare for emerging technologies. They each presented their ideas at the conference which was held the following day, June 5, 2012, at the William and Ida Friday Center in Chapel Hill.

The themes of the conference included 1) Information Industry, 2) Libraries and Archives, 3) Education and 4) Information Trends. Later this fall, the final version of the position papers from each contributor will be published as a monograph in both paper and e-book forms.
Special contributors were leaders of the profession and included:

- Marshall Breeding, director for Innovative Technologies and Research, Vanderbilt University Libraries
- Anne Caputo, executive director, Dow Jones’ Learning and Information Professional Programs
- Bonnie Carroll, president, International Information Associates
- Mary Chute, deputy director for Libraries, Institute for Museum and Library Services
- Lorcan Dempsey, vice president and chief strategist, OCLC
- Michael Eisenberg, professor and dean emeritus, University of Washington School of Information
- Buck Goldstein, University entrepreneur in residence and professor of practice, Department of Economics University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- William Graves, senior vice president for Academic Strategy, Ellucian
- Elizabeth Liddy, dean and trustee professor, Syracuse University School of Information Studies
- Charles Lowry (MSLS '74), executive director, Association for Research Libraries
- Cathy Marshall, senior research scientist, Microsoft
- Joanne Marshall, alumni distinguished professor, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Nancy Roderer, director, Johns Hopkins University Welch Medical Library
- Roger Schonfeld, director of research, Ithaka
- David Silver, associate professor, University of San Francisco
- Duncan Smith (MSLS '80), co-founder, Novelist (EBSCO Publishing)

Moderators included:

- Susan Nutter, vice provost and director of Libraries, North Carolina State University
- Sarah Michalak, university librarian and associate provost for libraries, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Reagan Moore, professor at SILS and director of the Data Intensive Cyber Environment group
- Derek Rodriguez (Ph.D. ‘12), program officer at the Triangle Research Libraries Network
On February 10, 2012, the School of Information and Library Science lost Dr. Deborah Barreau, a dear friend, colleague and beautiful spirit.

"Over the past 25 years it was my good fortune to know, work with, and learn from Deborah Barreau," said Gary Marchionini, SILS dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor. "I have never met anyone as selfless and devoted to others, especially to students. Deborah thought clearly and consistently about personal information in a way that puts people before systems. She put our School above her own ambitions and did many things to make us civil, effective and collaborative. She did this through her wisdom, warm smile and willingness to go the extra step to give us all her time, advice and a sympathetic ear. Deborah had a quote on her door that exemplified her beliefs and her life practice: ‘Everyone is indispensable.’ She believed this and lived her life accordingly. Her spirit and inspiration is truly indispensable and although we will miss her terribly, we are all better for having known her.”

Dr. Barreau, Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor, was a masterful teacher, winning the school’s Award for Teaching Excellence in both 2004 and 2008, and the Outstanding Information Science Teacher International award from the American Society for Information Science & Technology in 2002. She was highly respected and regarded by her colleagues and students, known for her dedication, commitment and kindness; exceptional mentoring skills - offering time and advice at all hours; and for creating a classroom environment that encouraged creativity and understanding.

She was an internationally known scholar in the areas of information systems, organizational behavior, organizational communication and personal information systems. A prolific researcher and writer, Dr. Barreau was principal investigator and collaborator on many research projects. She authored book chapters, numerous journal articles and papers, technical reports and book reviews on information systems, organizational behavior, organizational communication and personal information systems and regularly presented at national conferences and symposia. She served as a leader in professional associations including Director at Large for American Society for Information Science & Technology, the Association for Computing Management, Association for Library and Information Science Education and the Special Libraries Association. She had most recently joined the editorial board of the new digital publication, Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication. In addition, Dr. Barreau served on the UNC at Chapel Hill Faculty Council, Advisory Committee for Health Sciences Library Collaboratory, and a myriad of committees and boards— always offering her time, expertise and thoughtful opinions.

She earned her Ph.D. in library and information services from the University of Maryland at College Park, and a Master’s in Library and Information Science and a Master’s in Teaching and a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology from UNC at Chapel Hill. She was inducted into the international honorary society, Beta Phi Mu and received the Dean’s Achievement Award for Best Master’s Paper in 1987.

Prior to joining SILS, Dr. Barreau was assistant professor at the School of Library and Information Science, Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.; senior project manager and systems analyst at Aspen Systems Corporation in Rockville, MD; Systems Librarian at Manderino Library, California University in Pennsylvania; a graduate assistant at the UNC at Chapel Hill Health Sciences Library and computer services manager at the UNC at Chapel Hill SILS. She taught 10th and 11th grades for ten years at the Orange Senior High School in Hillsborough, N.C. where she also served as department chair.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Dr. Barreau’s family. In addition to her family and many friends, she leaves behind her best friend and companion, her Airedale Joy.

Because of her dedication and outstanding ability as a teacher, the School has renamed the “SILS Award for Teaching Excellence” to the “Deborah Barreau Award for Teaching Excellence.” The award is presented annually during the spring commencement ceremony to teachers (one full-time faculty and one adjunct faculty member) demonstrating the highest level of teaching excellence, commitment, innovation in teaching and effectiveness.

Several people have asked how they can make a donation to the teaching fund. Contributions may be made to the “Deborah Barreau Award for Teaching Excellence” fund (2954) online at https://secure.dev.unc.edu/gift/Default.aspx?es=348196775689267 or by sending your donation to the School (checks payable to Unc SILS with a note directing the donation to fund 2954).
In memory of Dr. Jerry D. Saye

“...It is with great sadness that I share that Dr. Jerry D. Saye, our friend, colleague and former faculty member at the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, passed away at his home yesterday, June 7, 2012,” said Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor in a message sent to the information and library science community.

Dr. Saye was an exceptional teacher, winning the School’s Outstanding Teaching Award twice, in 1998 and again in 2005, as well as the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Award for Teaching Excellence in 2002. He was the recipient of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Distinguished Teaching Award for Post Baccalaureate Instruction in 1999 and became a member of the Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars in 2000. In 2009, he received the Lifetime Teaching Award, a special award presented by SILS for exceptional teaching.

His primary subject areas included cataloging and classification, history of the book, library history and metadata. Jerry authored, Manheimer and Saye’s Cataloging and Classification, 5th edition. New York: Marcel Dekker, and from 1997 to 2002, he edited with Dr. Evelyn Daniel, the annual Library and Information Science Education Statistical Report. He published many papers, articles and reports, and presented broadly primarily on subjects related to cataloging. In addition, he conducted many workshops on subjects for which he had great passion to help educate colleagues and students. He was devoted to his teaching, but he was also a devoted leader at SILS. In 1990, he was appointed assistant dean and in 1994 he was promoted to associate dean.

Dr. Saye became involved with the country of Slovenia when he advised SILS doctoral student Alenka Šauperl (Ph.D. ’99), a SILS alumna and now a professor in the Department of Library and Information Science at the University of Ljubljana. In 2003, he received the prestigious title of Senior Fulbright Scholar to Slovenia, which deepened his affection for this area of the world. His connections there resulted in a long-standing exchange program between SILS and the University of Ljubljana, and a summer seminar that was in place at SILS for several years. In November of 2011, he was presented with the “Pro universitate labacensis” award “for special merit for advancing the development of the University of Ljubljana.”

Dr. Saye received his Ph.D. and Master’s degrees in Library Science from the University of Pittsburgh. He was inducted into the Beta Phi Mu International Honor Society in Library Science in 1971.

He had been an active member in several professional groups including: Zveza Bibliotekarskih Društves Slovenije. Društva Ljubljana. [Union of Associations of Slovene Librarians. Ljubljana Association]; Society for Slovene Studies; the American Library Association; American Society for Information Science and Technology; Association for Library and Information Science Education; and the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services.

In addition to a stellar academic career, Dr. Saye served in the U.S. Pacific Fleet of the United States Navy. He spent part of his time at the Pearl Harbor Naval Base Library as a Library Technical Assistant. He later rejoined the Naval Reserves and retired as a Lt. Commander with 27 years of service.

Our deepest condolences to his wife Terri Orsini Saye, his sisters, Sandra (Bob) Kord and Debra (Jan) Grunewald, mother and father-in-law Tony and Mary Louise Orsini and his nieces and nephews who he leaves behind.

A celebration of Jerry’s life will be held on November 2, 2012 at 1 p.m. in the Pleasants Family Assembly Room in the Wilson Library to honor the lifetime of teaching and leadership he gave to SILS and the many students who attended his classes.

The family has requested that memorial contributions be made in Dr. Saye’s honor to the School of Information and Library Science at UNC by accessing http://sils.unc.edu/giving/ways-to-give the Orange County Rescue Squad or another charity of your choice.
DigCCurr travels to Copenhagen

The successful Digital Curation Curriculum (DigCCurr) Professional Institute, traveled to Copenhagen for a week-long engagement on June 4, 2012.

Taught by international digital curation experts and led by Drs. Helen Tibbo, alumni distinguished professor and Christopher (Cal) Lee, associate professor, of the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the DigCCurr Institute fulfilled its goals of fostering skills, enhancing knowledge and building community among professionals responsible for the curation of digital materials.

"An increasing amount of the materials that the Royal Library collects are in digital form, and in order to curate these materials we are in the process of re-thinking all existing workflows and procedures," said Birgit Nordsmark Henriksen, deputy director for the National Library Division at the Royal Library. "This does not only mean implementation of new technologies, it is also crucial that our staff have contemporary competencies. Therefore, we looked at different educational courses and found that the Institute offered by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill seemed to be the best opportunity, given that it is research based and has an interactive form. The course proved to be successful and I think that one of the most important things that it brought to the Library is a common language around digital curation."

The DigCCurr Professional Institute in Copenhagen ran June 4-8, and in six-months a follow-up engagement is planned. The 31 attendees, who were from the Royal Library of Denmark in Copenhagen and the State and University Library in Aarhus, experienced lectures, discussion and hands-on "lab" projects. The session also included a course pack and a private, online discussion space to supplement learning and application of the material.

The team of instructors and doctoral fellows for the Institute in Copenhagen included:

- Carolyn Hank (Ph.D. ‘11), assistant professor, School of Information Studies, McGill University
- Cal Lee, associate professor, SILS, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Nancy McGovern, Head of Curation and Preservation Services, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Libraries
- Angela Murillo, DigCCurr Doctoral Fellow, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Alex Poole, DigCCurr Doctoral Fellow, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Helen Tibbo, alumni distinguished professor, SILS, UNC at Chapel Hill
- Timur Uckun, DigCCurr Doctoral Fellow, UNC at Chapel Hill

From 2009 to 2011, development and implementation of the Institute was supported through funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). It has been held in Chapel Hill each year, with two sessions: one week in May and a two-day follow-on event in January, in which participants share experiences and strategies related to applying what they have learned at the Institute in their own work contexts. In May 2012, the Institute in Chapel Hill was completely self-funded. For further information on the DigCCurr Professional Institute, please go to the Web site at:  http://ils.unc.edu/digccurr/institute.html


The School regularly provides our alumni with services such as information about networking, job opportunities, special events and professional news.

The best way to ensure you always get this information is to make sure we know how to contact you. We appreciate e-mail addresses as well as home/work information, name changes, life additions and other news.

Visit sils.unc.edu/alumni/alumni-directory to update your information.
An extravaganza featuring health information technology (IT) was held March 16, 2012 bringing in 15 businesses and organizations and approximately 100 students, faculty, staff and friends from the local community to learn more about the exciting field of health IT.

The Health IT Fair provided an opportunity to meet and greet professionals from local businesses and organizations, learn about current research and development and attend special presentations by experts in the health IT field.

A special panel discussion featuring representatives from Allscripts, EHR 2.0, Family Health Network, Infina Connect, Axial Exchange, Epic and RENCI took place along with presentations from RTI International.

SILS is the home of the Carolina Health Informatics Program (CHIP), a collaboration between the UNC at Chapel Hill School of Medicine, School of Nursing, School of Public Health and SILS (http://chip.unc.edu/). The goal of the program is to provide an Information Technology foundation to professionals interested in designing and implementing systems (both IT and organizational) to improve health care and services. The Clinical Information Science Certificate is offered by SILS for those interested in expanding their knowledge in the field of health information science.

Companies represented at the Health IT Fair included:
- Allscripts
- Axial Exchange
- Bioinformatics Core, Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center
- Carolina Center for Health Informatics, UNC Department of Emergency Medicine
- EHR 2.0
- Epic
- Family Health Network
- Infina Connect
- NC Health IT, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
- NC Immunization Registry, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
- Quintiles
- RENCI
- RTI International
- SAS Institute
- Thomson Reuters

“The Health IT Fair was a tremendous success in bringing together our students, faculty and staff with local industries in the health IT field,” said Dr. Javed Mostafa, professor at SILS and CHIP program director. “The fair brought awareness of our program in the developing field of health informatics to the local community that provide these important services. It also introduced them to talented students who are now working in practicum positions.”

Because of its success, another Health IT Fair is planned to take place on Oct. 5, 2012 in the Pleasants Family Assembly Room at Wilson Library. Be sure to watch the SILS Web site for more details as they become available.
Alumni Spotlight: Byron Sanders

By Aaron Dodson and Alecia Smith

On April 4th, 2005, when the North Carolina men’s basketball team won its first national title since 1993 and fourth overall in university history, the School of Information and Library Science (SILS) was proud to call one of its students a champion—six-foot-nine forward/center Byron Sanders.

Sanders was one of the Tarheel players on the team that took the 75-70 championship game victory over the University of Illinois. He was also the only member of the team to have received academic honors while playing at Carolina.

The athlete from Gulfport, Mississippi was named to the All-ACC Academic Basketball Team as a sophomore in the SILS Bachelor of Science in Information Science (BSIS) undergraduate program during the 2003-2004 season—the first school year that the major was offered. And according to Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, professor and associate dean for academic affairs at SILS, Byron had no trouble balancing his time on the court with his time in the classroom.

"As his academic advisor and teacher, I really enjoyed working with Byron because even though he was a basketball player and had to have a lot of time committed to that effort, he also was really serious about his studies," Wildemuth said. "He took a lot of initiative and did a lot of work to make sure that he could be a successful information science major as well as a successful basketball player."

After playing 89 games, making 12 starts, scoring 102 points, grabbing 137 rebounds, and blocking 16 shots in a Tarheel uniform, Sanders graduated from UNC in 2006 with a bachelor’s degree in information science. Since then, he has played professional basketball in Germany, Sweden, Portugal, Bulgaria, and most recently Switzerland for the Lugano Tigers.

Even though Sanders, in the past several years, has focused on furthering his career in basketball while adapting to European culture, he continues to utilize the knowledge he gained during his time at SILS on a regular basis.

"I’ve used the skills that I learned in the SILS program to research, gather, store and apply information to projects and events that I’m involved in," he said. "From social networking to scouting a team using their statistical information to researching stocks to buy or sell, I use my degree every day."

Sanders also used these tools to begin the THINK Success Foundation—a non-profit organization committed to connecting with the youth of the Gulf Coast in the state of Mississippi through educational, life skills and basketball instruction programs.

"A year after I graduated, I started the THINK Basketball camp under my non-profit organization and have hosted as well as directed it almost every summer since," he said. "The skills that I acquired from the SILS program have really helped my camps become more successful over the years."

Since marrying his college sweetheart in 2011, former UNC women’s basketball player LaToya Pringle, and being sidelined from playing with the Tigers this year due to injury, Sanders has begun planning for his life after basketball. More specifically, in order to put his technical skills to use while remaining in the field of sports, Byron applied to and has been accepted to the sports administration graduate program within UNC’s Department of Exercise and Sports Science. With these new plans in mind, he as well as Dr. Wildemuth believe that his bachelor’s degree in information science and a master’s degree in sports administration are a great match for his future success.

“I think it’s a good choice for him from my view,” said Wildemuth. “In the class I had him in, we talked about how information comes into an organization, how an organization can gather information that would be useful to it, and how an organization distributes information so it can be used effectively. I believe that having this knowledge would be useful to sports administration in which one thinks about the same types of things.”

As SILS alumnus Byron Sanders prepares to continue his education by diving into the field of sports administration at UNC at Chapel Hill, the most important skill that he will take with him is an overall familiarity with the importance of information.

“Technology and information are linked to almost everything and are evolving everyday,” he said. “The world is connected through information technology. I believe studying information science has helped me reach many goals in my personal and professional life and will help society as a whole become more united.”
BSIS Grad/Tarheel Basketball Champion
“The University of North Carolina’s library science program provided me with so many possibilities,” Roper said. “I could never give back to UNC what it has given to me, not only professionally, but also personally. My love of Tarheel sports is well known by all my friends and colleagues.”

~Dr. Fred W. Roper

It was his mother’s and stepfather’s never-ending support and continued belief in him at each step of his educational experience that helped Dr. Fred W. Roper (A.B. ’60 and M.S.L.S. ’62) choose librarianship as his profession. And spending much of his work life in medical librarianship led him down a career path that combined his specialty with high-level administration. His many successes and the gratitude he continues to demonstrate through contributions of time, energy and funds all began at home and in the library.

Growing up in Hendersonville, North Carolina, Fred became an avid library user in second grade.

"Back then there weren't a lot of children's activities," said Fred. "The local librarian gave me free reign of the library where I had access to the books I loved. It was a wonderful place to grow up, small enough to know many of the people in the community and close to Asheville."

In high school, Fred worked in the library and established a relationship with the school librarian who considered him a second son. He learned many of the aspects of good librarianship from her.

It was an easy decision for Fred when it came to selecting a college - the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill was his first choice - he had always been a fan of the Tar Heels when it came to sports and with support from his mother and step-father, he applied and was accepted in the English Department. While working toward his undergraduate degree, Fred worked as a page in the Circulation Department at Wilson Library.

"At that time, the stacks were closed," said Fred. "People would come to the desk with their requests, and I would run and get the book they wanted. I was also there when they opened up the stacks, which was a huge change in library operations."

The week after graduating in June 1960, Fred began working toward his Master’s in Library Science at what is now SILS. He met many influential people including Dr. Myrl Ebert, who Fred describes as "personable and energetic" with a focus on medical librarianship. Ebert had much to do with Fred applying for and receiving a post master’s fellowship at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). Following that, he accepted a position as biomedical machine methods librarian.

"I was interested in machine methods in librarianship during the 60s," said Fred. "That was the early days when the photo copier was the major new development in the world. I spent three happy years working on a special project related to the computerization of biomedical serials records at UCLA."

Because of his teaching experience at UNC at Chapel Hill, he wanted to enter a doctoral program. Since UCLA didn’t have a doctoral program, he decided to leave Los Angeles for Indiana University Bloomington doctoral program in library science for which he had a federal fellowship.

"Living in Bloomington was a happy time, reminding me a lot of Chapel Hill, both the town and the university," said Fred.

With his Ph.D. in hand and Chapel Hill on his mind, he received a call from Dr. Bob Miller, his advisor and mentor from the SILS Master’s program. Miller had decided to leave teaching and recommended Fred as his replacement. Fred interviewed and was hired, returning to Chapel Hill in 1971.

"Bob was my advisor in library school, the reason I ended up in teaching," said Fred. "I co-taught with him during summers while at UCLA and it changed my focus. It was Bob who gave me my first opportunity to teach, and he helped pave the way to teach again. Fred stayed for 15 years on the SILS faculty in Chapel Hill where he also was named assistant dean in 1977 and then associate dean in 1981.

In 1986, Fred was appointed dean of the University of South Carolina’s (USC) School of Library and Information Science where he served for 17 years. Even as a busy dean handling myriad administrative tasks, Fred still found time to...
teach medical librarianship, co-author a textbook about medical librarianship titled, *Introduction to Reference Sources in the Health Sciences* now in its sixth edition — and serve as president of the Medical Library Association.

“I learned a lot about being a dean from Ed Holley,” said Fred. “Former dean Barbara Moran and I share a lot of Dr. Holley’s leadership characteristics, such as being inclusive of staff and faculty, developing people and generating an enthusiastic work climate. We owe a debt of gratitude to Ed and what he instilled in us. He was a wonderful person with a kind spirit.”

Fred is a SILS distinguished alumnus. He credits UNC and SILS with giving him a stellar education and opportunities to expand in ways that he never imagined.

“The University of North Carolina’s library science program provided me with so many possibilities,” Fred said. “I could never give back to UNC what it has given to me; not only professionally, but also personally. My love of Tarheel sports is well known by all my friends and colleagues.” He frequently travels from South Carolina to Chapel Hill to football and basketball games.

To honor the memory of his mother and stepfather for their belief in him and the longstanding support they provided, and to acknowledge the educational experience he received at SILS, Fred has established the Mary Alice and George Jones Fund. Through this generous bequest, he will provide support for the School’s medical librarianship and health informatics programs.

“We are grateful for the bequest Fred has provided to SILS that honors his mother and step-father,” said Gary Marchionini, SILS dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor. “With this thoughtful and generous gift, we will be able to offer fellowships, scholarships, internships, stipends, travel, equipment and research funding to outstanding students and our award-winning faculty. This gift will offer opportunities that students in particular may not have had previously. It is clear that medical librarianship, bioinformatics and health informatics are rising fields that will only grow larger and Fred’s gift will enable SILS to continue to lead in this area."

Throughout his years at SILS as a student and later as a faculty member and administrator, and even after he became dean at USC, Fred has been a loyal and generous friend, giving of his time, talents and energy to contribute to the school’s ongoing efforts. In addition to participating in many activities offered through the school, he has served for several years on the SILS Board of Visitors and was recently appointed to the UNC Board of Visitors. He served as co-chair of SILS’s 80th Anniversary Planning Committee along with Sarah Snow (M.S.I.S. ’04). Fred is also celebrating a significant anniversary— his 50th as a graduate of SILS.

During his years as a student, faculty member and administrator, Fred has had the rare privilege of meeting and knowing every dean or director of the School, and has worked for six of the 13 deans in some capacity.

“When members of the planning committee were discussing possible presenters who understood the history of SILS and could tell our story for the kick-off of our 80th anniversary, Fred Roper immediately came to mind for the Lucile Kelling Henderson Lecture,” Marchionini said. “We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated leader and knowledgeable alumnus and friend who continues to demonstrate his devotion to the school. We wish him a happy 50th anniversary and thank him for all he does for SILS and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.”

Dr. Roper has included SILS in his estate plan, in gratitude for and appreciation of all this School did to prepare him for a successful career, life and friendships. Many of the School’s alumni and friends have done or are currently considering such a gift, and we invite you to join this growing list of special supporters.

Beginning in fall 2012, SILS will publish a roster of planned giving donors, and we would very much like your name on the list too. This listing will be a new feature of our annual honor roll of donors.

We believe your name, like Fred’s, belongs on this list, and we invite you to include SILS in your estate plan — or let us know that you already have.

What is a planned gift? Two of the most common are these— naming the School as a beneficiary in your retirement plan and/or naming the School in your will. With either of these planned gifts, the steps are these.

Step 1: Choose the type of gift you would like to make for SILS. Do you want to support a special fund, academics, general activities, infrastructure or student support?

Step 2: Talk to one of our gift planners, then meet with your estate planning attorney. Whether you need to create a will or simply update an older document, you’ll want to seek the help of a professional.

Step 3: Contact SILS for bequest and/or retirement beneficiary language.

A planned gift to SILS include the satisfaction of providing for the University’s future, the potential for estate tax savings and a lasting Carolina legacy that can carry your name.

Contact us for more information.

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Dual Bachelor’s/Master’s Degree program now offered

A program intended to enable Information Science majors to obtain both bachelor’s and master’s degree in an accelerated timeframe is now available through SILS.

The dual bachelor’s and master’s program is a unique offering in higher education. Of the 24 information schools (iSchools) in North America, only four offer an accelerated bachelor’s - master’s program of any sort; and other than these four iSchools, only one of the 58 programs accredited by the American Library Association offers an accelerated bachelor’s - master’s degree program.

The dual bachelor’s - master’s program is expected to help those majoring in Information Science (IS) to obtain both their BS and MS degree by early planning of an undergraduate program that integrates well with the graduate degree requirements for either a master’s in Information Science (MSIS) or a master’s in Library Science (MSLS). While the BSIS provides sound preparation for entry into the information professions, the master’s degree provides a distinct advantage to those who aim to advance to managerial or leadership positions.

The BSIS and Master’s programs prepare students for careers in public, private and governmental institutions of all kinds as information system analysts, designers and developers, data managers, Web designers, librarians, archivists and similar careers. The SILS curricula offer students a sound foundation of coursework, augmented by projects, internships (field experience) and research opportunities that contribute to making SILS graduates highly sought after by employers. To learn more about the new dual degree program, please visit the SILS Web site.

SILS Juvenile Historical Collection goes digital

The pre-1923 titles in the School of Information and Library Science Juvenile Historical Collection are now available in digital form.

“Over the past two years, we collaborated extensively with other UNC Library Staff, especially the CDLA Staff in Wilson Library and the Preservation Staff in Davis to preserve, catalog and digitize this significant historical collection,” said Rebecca Vargha, librarian at the SILS Library. “Thanks to all our partners for this new digital access.”

The link to the Juvenile Historical Collection may be accessed through the Internet Archive at: http://archive.org/details/unclibraries

Vargha reports that some of the most popular titles accessed via the digital archive to date are Bengal Fairy Tales (53 downloads), The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus (Baum, L. Frank) with 80 downloads and Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland (97 downloads).

Video about the SILS LifeTime Library now available

Have you asked yourself, “What did I do with that report I presented as a UNC student? Did I save it on my laptop, a CD, my phone or on a computer I no longer have?” Or after graduating, did you realize that you saved a special photo on a UNC server, and it’s now gone forever? Or after graduating, did you realize that you saved a special photo on a UNC server, and it’s now gone forever?

A new service offered to students at Carolina’s School of Information and Library Science allows them to organize and keep papers, photos, class projects and more long after they graduate.

A YouTube video is now available that explains the LifeTime Library and its functionality. View the video at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=8uBm7J2ryrl &feature=youtu.be
Metadata Research Center celebrates five year anniversary with Metadata Marathon

On December 7th, 2011 the SILS Metadata Research Center celebrated its 5th year anniversary with the first ever Metadata Marathon; and the metadata celebration linked with the 80th anniversary for the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Metadata experts gave lightning talks, research challenges relating to next generation discovery systems, social media, digital humanities, born-digital archives, linked data and the future of metadata. The lightning talks were followed by breakout group discussions moderated by the metadata experts, and each group addressed a series of questions about research needs and approaches.

The Metadata Research Center sponsored the marathon in the context of Greenberg’s annual open metadata class; and 16 SILS graduate students, enrolled in the Metadata Architectures and Applications class (INLS 720) showcased individual and collaborative research they had undertaken as part of their final assignment. The celebration closed with a special report from Thomas Baker, chief information officer, Dublin Core Metadata Initiative (DCMI), and co-chair of the W3C Library Linked Data Incubator Group.

The event drew over 70 participants joining SILS graduate students and information professionals from UNC as well as area universities and scientific research centers. Professor Greenberg said it was a “stimulating day and amazing to see so many people passionate about metadata research.” She noted that one of the most exciting outcomes for her, and with her annual open class, is the opportunity for SILS students to meet and engage with information professionals on the front-line. Professor Greenberg acknowledged Sarah and Claude Snow Jr., noting that it was a little over five years ago that she shared her idea of the Metadata Research Center, and their enthusiasm for her work back then helped motivate her to launch the center. The Snows joined the group for an anniversary celebration dinner to close the enthusiastic day.
A SILS Welcome to...  

Dr. Fred Stutzman appointed visiting assistant professor

A familiar face will once again be seen in Manning Hall when Dr. Fred Stutzman (Ph.D. ’11) returns to SILS. Stutzman has been appointed visiting assistant professor effective July 1, 2012. Stutzman comes to SILS from Carnegie Mellon University’s H. John Heinz III College where he was a post-doctoral fellow. His research efforts have been on the economic, behavioral-economic, policy and design implications of privacy in social media. Recent work explores disclosure patterns in social network sites over time, “nudges” that affect privacy attitudes and behaviors, and the rise of “personally predictable” information.

Prior to his time at Carnegie Mellon, Stutzman served as a research assistant at SILS, working with Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor. He was project manager for the LifeTime Library, the perpetual digital library and archive for UNC students. He was also a teaching fellow while pursuing his Ph.D. Stutzman is also an inventor, developing with colleague Dr. Terrell Russell (Ph.D. ’11) ClaimID, an online identity management service, with over 125,000 users. He founded Eighty Percent Solutions in Pittsburgh, PA, a company to distribute the software he develops such as: Freedom and Anti-Social.

Stutzman’s former positions include director of technology and programmer at ibiblio.org, one of the world’s first Web-based public digital library and one of the oldest repositories of free software on the Internet. He also worked as a programmer for The Motley Fool, a respected source for financial information.

Because of his expertise in social media, Stutzman is frequently contacted by the press. He has been quoted in publications such as the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, The Economist, The Chronicle of Higher Education, “All Things Considered” on National Public Radio, USA Today and many more.

Stutzman will be teaching “First Year Seminar: Social Media and New Movements;” and “Social Media and Society: A Theoretical and Empirical Overview.”

Ericka Patillo appointed lecturer

Ericka Patillo joined the School’s faculty as lecturer on July 1, 2012.

Patillo is a doctoral student at SILS with research interests of organizational behavior, academic libraries, professionalism in librarianship, middle management and a phenomenon she refers to as “incidental outreach,” which explores the benefits of librarians participating in performing arts groups. Prior to her admission to the doctoral program, Patillo worked as the coordinator of Public Services at Radford University in Radford, VA where she provided administrative oversight, direction and leadership of four public services units including Circulation, Reference/Instruction, InterLibrary Loan and Media Services. She previously held positions at the University of Houston including six years as a music librarian. Patillo has been published in Library Trends, Notes (Quarterly Journal of the Music Library Association), Texas Library Journal and others.

Patillo studied harp performance at Peabody Conservatory, earned a B.A. in Music History at Old Dominon University and received her M.S.L.S. in 1999 from SILS at UNC at Chapel Hill. She is a fellow of the National Science Foundation’s Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate; a member of Phi Kappa Phi, the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society and the Golden Key Honor Society. She was recently nominated by her students for the Deborah Barreau Award for Teaching Excellence for adjunct faculty.

For the fall semester, she will teach “Resource Selection and Evaluation;” “History of Libraries;” and “Information Use for Organizational Effectiveness.”

Sarah Powell is library assistant in SILS Library

SILS welcomed Sarah Powell, who joined the SILS Library as university library assistant on June 4, 2012.

Powell comes to the SILS Library from the Perkins Library at Duke University where she worked as a library assistant, senior for Access and Delivery Services. She was responsible for hiring and supervising all service desk student employees, assisting faculty, students and staff for specialized technical questions related to library services; and administered library study carrels and lockers and coordinated the senior thesis program. She also has worked at the Chapell Hill Public Library.

“Sarah has comprehensive work experience in both academic and public libraries,” said Rebecca B. Vargha, SILS librarian. “Her skills and experience will enhance our library team while continuing our high standards of library service to students, faculty and staff at UNC.”

Powell holds a Master’s in Social Work from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She earned a B.A. degree in Psychology from UNC at Asheville where she graduated cum laude.

Powell replaces Kate Barnhart who recently retired from the SILS Library after six years of exceptional service.
New Faculty and Staff

Lori Haight joins SILS as first career services coordinator

On January 23, 2012, Lori Haight joined SILS as the School’s first career services coordinator.

Haight is responsible for educating students on employment issues, fellowships and provides counseling on all aspects of internships and the job search process, helping students and alumni determine successful job search strategies. She is the primary point of contact for employers recruiting SILS students, and she engages in various outreach efforts to market SILS students to potential employers. In addition, she identifies internship and field experience opportunities and works with students on post-graduate employment.

“We are very pleased to welcome Lori to SILS,” said Tammy L. Cox, assistant dean of Administration. “This is an important position for SILS—one that students have been requesting for a number of years. We are fortunate to find a person with Lori’s talents and experiences. She will be an exceptional fit for what is needed to locate employers who are looking for skilled professionals, and help prepare our students for their future careers.”

Haight comes to SILS from the UNC School of Journalism and Mass Communications where she served as a development and alumni affairs assistant. Prior to her work there, she assisted the Academic and Career Planning unit at Meredith College in Raleigh, N.C. where she worked with students and alumni on their career goals, guiding them through the process of creating successful job search strategies. Haight received her Ed.D. in Higher Education Administration from North Carolina State University, a Master’s degree in higher education and student affairs from Ohio State University and a Bachelor’s degree in English from University of Richmond, Richmond, VA.

Health informatics expert to build on SILS and RTI International partnership

A recent partnership between SILS and RTI International’s Center for the Advancement of Health Information Technology (CAHIT) has been strengthened with the joint appointment of Tom Caruso, an expert in the area of health informatics.

Caruso, who joined SILS and RTI International as health informatics liaison research associate on Jan. 3, 2012, has an extensive background in biomedical informatics, health information management and technology. He comes to North Carolina from T.P. Caruso and Associates, LLP where he built partnerships for government contractors in the Federal health technology sector, founded Quantal Semantics, Inc. to develop a Universal [Health Information] Exchange Language called QuantalUEL and created the Biomedical Informatics Think Tank™, an organization of experts at major academic medical institutions who have been working in the fields of health information management, clinical informatics, public health informatics, clinical research informatics, bioinformatics, data mining, health informatics technology training and high performance computing for the last 30 years.

“We are delighted to expand our partnership with RTI International an institution that has such a rich history in scientific development and research, especially in the field of bioinformatics and health information,” said Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer distinguished professor. “We are especially pleased to welcome a professional like Tom with broad expertise in biomedical and health sciences, as well as partnership development between academic organizations and government contractors, as we expand our efforts into the health informatics field.”

“RTI’s Center for the Advancement of Health IT is very committed to the partnership with SILS and we firmly believe that the complementary expertise of the faculty and staff of these two world class institutions creates a very unique set of capabilities that will allow us to conduct very exciting, cutting edge research,” said Linda Dimitropoulos, senior director of the Center for the Advancement of Health IT at RTI.

“Our recent joint appointment of Dr. Tom Caruso has served to cement our commitment to this partnership and he will serve as a dedicated resource that will help us to move this partnership forward.”

Dr. Caruso worked as a project manager at NIH Center for Information Technology and built partnerships for 12 years at Virginia Tech. He received his Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Minnesota, his MBA from Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and his bachelor’s of science degree in biochemistry/biology from the University of Pittsburgh. He is certified as a Project Management Professional. He is a member of the American Medical Informatics Association, Health Information and Management Systems Society, the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the International Society for Computational Biology and the Association for Computing Machinery.
Dr. Joanne Gard Marshall selected for prestigious Janet Doe Lectureship

Dr. Joanne Gard Marshall, alumni distinguished professor, has been selected by the Board of Directors of the Medical Library Association (MLA) for the 2013 Janet Doe Lectureship. The Janet Doe Lectureship is one of the highest honors offered by MLA with the person selected “a distinguished member of the profession who offers a unique perspective on either the history of philosophy of medical librarianship.”

Marshall was nominated by Carol Jenkins, director of the UNC Health Sciences Library. Jenkins noted in her nomination letter that Marshall is “an acclaimed leader in our field, including serving as MLA President in 2004-05.”

Marshall’s research interests focus on consumer health; evidence based practice and communicating our value; defining the workforce needs of the profession.

The international program will take place May 3–8, 2013, in Boston, MA. The Janet Doe Lecture is scheduled for 9 a.m. on May 6, 2013.

Dr. Sandra Hughes-Hassell receives ALISE Award for Teaching Excellence

Dr. Sandra Hughes-Hassell (Ph.D. ’98), SILS professor, is the recipient of the prestigious 2012 Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Award for Teaching Excellence.

The competitive award is presented to a faculty member who has an “evidence of regular and sustained excellence in teaching library and information science, makes contributions to curriculum design which demonstrate subject expertise and the ability to integrate new developments in library and information science; provides evidence of mentoring students, alumni and/or practicing professionals outside the classroom; and demonstrates use of effective and innovative teaching methods.”

“This award is going to an exceptional and deserving professor,” said Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer distinguished professor at SILS. “Sandra involves her students in the classroom, provides support for those she educates and has educated, creates an exceptional curriculum and participates in providing educational experiences to those outside the classroom through her outstanding teaching capabilities. She is a model of what a teacher should be.”

Students of Hughes-Hassell have demonstrated their support by nominating her for a number of teaching awards. She received the SILS 2010 Award for Teaching Excellence and was most recently named a finalist for the 2010-2011 campus-wide University of North Carolina Distinguished Teaching Award for Post-Baccalaureate Instruction.

SILS has had three recipients of this prestigious award. Along with Dr. Hughes-Hassell, previous winners were Dr. Jerry D. Saye in 2002 and Dr. David W. Carr in 1994.

SILS Staff Excellence Awards go to Aaron Brubaker and Susan Sylvester

SILS staff members Aaron Brubaker (MSIS ’06), director of information technology (IT), and Susan Sylvester (MSLS ’05), executive assistant to the dean, have received 2011 SILS Staff Excellence Awards.

The award is presented to SILS staff members who have demonstrated excellence, commitment, teamwork and outstanding service to the School.

Brubaker’s responsibilities are to direct SILS’ information technology needs, which includes negotiating licensing agreements for software and hardware; installing security patches; overseeing the management of the Help Desk and IT areas; resolving technical difficulties with servers, computers, e-mail, printing and a myriad of other IT services. He answers technical questions on a daily basis, and according to one staff member who recommended him for the award, “Aaron is always helpful, no matter what I’ve asked.”

Sylvester is responsible for ensuring the operation of the Dean’s office is continuously well-represented. She is knowledgeable of office processes and addresses policy questions, works closely with the dean on a variety of tasks, makes travel arrangements for special guests and takes on special projects without hesitation. One of the major projects she undertook prior to the beginning of fall semester was to move approximately a dozen faculty, directors, managers and staff when new space was acquired. In just a couple of weeks, she had coordinated the entire move, which included not only moving people, but ordering furniture, working with UNC Facilities on phone reassignments, moving printers, copiers and other equipment into new spaces, requesting cleaning and painting crews among other challenges. One nominator described Sylvester as “extremely thorough and detail-oriented,” “a reliable and dedicated team player,” and “a joy to work with.”

Brubaker and Sylvester received framed certificates and $500, which were presented during a special ceremony on Dec. 16, 2011 by Dean Gary Marchionini. They each received three additional paid days of leave. They have also been nominated for the 2012 Chancellor’s Award.
**Dr. Claudia Gollop appointed McColl Term Professor**

Dr. Claudia Gollop has been appointed as the next Frances Carroll McColl Term Professor effective July 1, 2012.

“The Administrative Board of SILS noted the many contributions Dr. Gollop has made to the doctoral program and to link SILS to professional communities beyond the school, as well as her ongoing work in community health information services,” said Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor in a message to the SILS community.

In addition to full-time teaching, Gollop is also the current director of the SILS Summer School program and coordinator of the SILS WISE (Web-based Information Science Education) program. Her current research interests include consumer health information and diverse user groups specifically pertaining to cardiac rehabilitation issues.

Hugh McColl, Jr. established the McColl Professorship in memory of his mother, Frances Carroll McColl, and sister, Frances McColl Covington. Hugh McColl said he was inspired to create the professorship by the school’s needs and his mother’s love of literature.

“My mother taught everyone in the family to love books, and we have prospered from having access to them and, perhaps more important, knowing where to turn to find the information we need,” McColl said.

A second McColl Term Professorship was made possible in 2005 thanks to support from Bill (BSBA ’55) and Sara McCoy and Duncan Smith (MSLS ’80).


**Tammy Cox elected treasurer of UNC Employee Forum - gains status of Certified Research Administrator**

Tammy Cox, assistant dean of administration, has been elected treasurer of the UNC at Chapel Hill Employee Forum. The vision of “the Employee Forum seeks to continually improve the quality of life at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for its Students, Faculty, and Employees through mutual understanding, recognition of Employee contributions, and respect for the worth of the individual.”

Cox also achieved the status of Certified Research Administrator (CRA) from the Research Administrators Certification Council. The Certification is valid for five years.

**Dr. Jane Greenberg awarded Margaret Mann Citation**

The Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) awarded Dr. Jane Greenberg, SILS professor, the 2012 Margaret Mann Citation presented by its Cataloging and Metadata Management Section. The Mann Citation was presented at the ALCTS Awards Ceremony on June 24, 2012 during the American Library Association Annual Conference in Anaheim, Calif.

The Mann Citation, recognizes outstanding professional achievement in cataloging or classification, includes a $2,000 scholarship donated in the recipient’s honor by OCLC, Inc. to the library school of the winner’s choice. Greenberg has chosen SILS to be the recipient of this year’s scholarship award.

Greenberg is recognized for her outstanding record of publication, her dedication to research and her influence on current and future librarians. Greenberg is a highly sought after author. Her works include the well-received monograph Knitting the Semantic Web, which was co-authored by Dr. Eva M. Méndez Rodríguez, associate vice-rector of Infrastructures and Environment University Carlos III of Madrid. Greenberg is also recognized for her editing of a special issue of the Journal of Library Metadata. In recent years, she has published as author or co-author 16 scholarly articles and 26 presentations covering such diverse topics as automatic metadata creation, metadata best practices, ontology research, the Semantic Web, data repositories and thesauri.

Dr. Greenberg follows in the footsteps of some impressive recipients including Lucia Rather, (MSLS ’57), who received the award in 1985; Fred Kilgour, former distinguished professor at SILS who was a recipient in 1974; Doralyn Hickey, 1973 recipient and former professor; S.R. Ranganathan who won the award in 1970; Susan Grey Akers, former SILS dean who received the award in 1956; and most recently Arlene G. Taylor (Ph.D. ’81) who received the Mann Citation in 1996.

**Shaundria Williams elected president of SHRM**

Shaundria Williams, human resources manager, has been elected president of the North Carolina Central University Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) student chapter. Williams was elected and then officially inducted on March 8, 2012.

“As president, it is my role to act as a liaison for the community and human resources organizations,” Williams said. “It is important for me to keep the members informed about current events and credentialing and encouraging them to get involved with our campus and community.”

Williams is working toward her Master’s degree in Public Administration at NCCU. She has been involved with the Society since Oct. 2011.


Brad Hemminger, associate professor, and Sarah Ramdeen, doctoral student, published “A tale of two interfaces: How facets affect the library catalog search experience” which appears in JASIST 63(4).

Paul Jones, clinical associate professor, was featured in the May/June issue of Carolina Alumni Review in an article titled, “The Geek Poet Strikes Back.” The seven page article discusses how after 30 years of starting e-mail at UNC at Chapel Hill, he no longer answers it, but uses other means to communicate. View the article online at: http://www.carolinaalumnireview.com/carolinaalumni review/20120506#pg2 Paul’s blog post is included in the recently released book, How to Build an Android: The True Story of Philip K. Dick’s Robotic Resurrection. by David Dufty (Henry Holt, 2012). He is also quoted in the publication, Imagining the Internet, A history and forecast.


Zeynep Tufekci, associate professor, co-edited the book, Inequality in the Technopolis: Race, Class, Gender, and the Digital Divide in Austin. She was also interviewed on March 15, 2012 on National Public Radio’s The World. She spoke to host Marco Werman about the news released in the United Kingdom’s Guardian newspaper that had obtained e-mails written by Syrian leader Bashar Al-Assad and members of his inner circle during the year-long uprising in that country. Tufekci also recently contributed to a debate on the New York Times website about the viral “Kony 2012” video, and is an active presence on Twitter. http://sils.unc.edu/news/2012/tufekci-npr-the-world

Rebecca Vargha, SILS librarian and former president of the Special Libraries Association, spoke at the Maryland/Delaware Library Conference on May 10, 2012 in Ocean City, Maryland. Her presentation was titled “Conducting Environmental Scans: Assessing User Needs and Library Functions.” The session highlighted the process of conducting environmental scans in academic libraries and the interesting yet sometimes surprising results.

Honorary Faculty at SILS

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s School of Information and Library Science has recently appointed honorary faculty including:

Deborah Balsamo (MSLS ’97), professor of practice. She is the National Program Manager, Environmental Protection Agency National Library Network

Laura N. Gasaway, adjunct professor, Paul B. Eaton Distinguished Professor of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law

Carol Jenkins, professor of practice, director, UNC Health Sciences Library

Jennifer Morgan, adjunct assistant professor, associate director for Research, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Institute on Aging

Davenport (Dav) Robertson (MSLS ’75) professor of practice, chief, Library and Information Services Branch, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences/National Institutes of Health, Research Triangle Park (retired)

Arlene Taylor (Ph.D. ’81) distinguished adjunct professor, Professor Emerita, School of Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh

For more about our faculty, please visit the website: sils.unc.edu/people/faculty
Dr. Ryan Shaw receives IMLS grant for “Contours of the Past” project

Dr. Ryan Shaw, assistant professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s School of Information and Library Science (SILS), has been awarded a $218,063 Laura Bush 21st Century Librarians Program - Research in Early Careers Development grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to invent tools for understanding collections of histories through computational text processing techniques. The project, titled “Contours of the Past” will focus on techniques for identifying individual events and their participants within narrative histories related to the Civil Rights Movement. These events will be used as basic units for building up larger-scale models of narrative structure that can be used to link and compare related histories. The specific histories to be used for this project are 80 scholarly monographs and 350 oral histories.

The three-year project will initially focus on the technical side of building and evaluating tools for text analysis. During the later stages of the project, Shaw hopes to collaborate with the UNC at Chapel Hill’s Southern Oral History Program, the Southern Historical Collection, the UNC Press and others to design innovative forms of scholarly communication, educational materials and public exhibits that build upon computational models of historical events and narratives.

The project is a continuation of Shaw’s research on “The Event Directory: A Semantic Tool for Events and Periods,” which was funded with one of the first 2011/2012 Eleanor M. and Frederick G. Kilgour Research Grant Awards. Inventor, researcher, librarian and educator, Dr. Frederick G. Kilgour was a member of the SILS faculty serving as a Distinguished Research professor in 1990, teaching seminars in applications of technology for libraries. While a professor here, Kilgour saw the critical need for faculty support and he and Mrs. Kilgour created the Eleanor M. and Frederick G. Kilgour Faculty Development Fund in 1993.

Dr. Richard Marciano’s CI-BER project included in White House “Big Data” announcement

On March 29, 2012 the United States White House announced the “Big Data Research and Development Initiative.” According to news sources quoting Tom Kalil, deputy director for Policy at the Office of Science and Technology Policy, “Six Federal departments and agencies will announce more than $200 million in new commitments that, together, promise to greatly improve the tools and techniques needed to access, organize and glean discoveries from huge volumes of digital data.”

The Cyberinfrastructure for Billions of Electronic Records (CI-BER) project was included in the White House fact sheet titled, “Big Data Across the Federal Government,” which was distributed in conjunction with the announcement. CI-BER was listed as one of the leading projects in the country “that address the challenges of, and tap the opportunities afforded by, the big data revolution.”

The research and the underlying infrastructure of CI-BER are sponsored by multiple agencies of the Federal Government. The fact sheet also noted that the testbed will evaluate technologies and approaches to support sustainable access to ultra-large data collections.

The CI-BER project is led by principal investigator, Dr. Richard Marciano, professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s School of Information and Library Science. It aims to further the understanding of infrastructure that scales and provides insights into the management of “big data” in general. Researchers associated with the project look at ultra-high scale collections and visual analytics techniques in order to enhance the value of government records that can lead to generalizable infrastructure and technology.
David S. Ferriero, archivist of the United States, honored with Doctor of Laws Degree from UNC at Chapel Hill

David S. Ferriero, archivist of the United States, received a doctor of laws degree during the UNC at Chapel Hill's commencement ceremony Sunday morning, May 13, 2012.

Ferriero is the first professional librarian to become archivist of the United States. He is charged with preserving the nation's official permanent records, now estimated at about 9 billion pages of text, as well as many millions of maps, charts, drawings, photographs, digital data sets, films and videos. Before accepting the post in 2009, Ferriero was the Andrew W. Mellon Director of the New York Public Libraries, where he integrated the four research libraries and 87 branch libraries to create the largest public library system in the United States. He began his career at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Library, where he remained for 31 years, rising to the position of acting co-director of libraries. In 1996, he was recruited to Duke University to be university librarian and vice provost for library affairs.

A former member of the SILS Board of Visitors, Ferriero was nominated for the honorary degree by the School of Information and Library Science. He attended the SILS commencement ceremony where he was recognized by Dean Gary Marchionini during introductory remarks.

Marjorie M. K. Hlava receives Ann Marie Cunningham Award

Marjorie M. K. Hlava, member of the SILS Board of Visitors and chief executive officer of Access Innovations is the recipient of the prestigious Ann Marie Cunningham Award from the National Federation of Advance Information Services (NFAIS).

“This year Marjorie Hlava is being recognized for her years of hard work as chair of the NFAIS Standards Committee,” said Keith MacGregor, president of NFAIS. “It is rare that a week goes by without an e-mail alert from Margie regarding activities in the global standards community and she handles the NFAIS voting process related to NISO (National Information Standards Organization). She has served NFAIS in many capacities - on the board of directors, as a former president and on the annual conference planning committee. She is now in her third year as the editor of our annual collection of NFAIS meeting papers published in Information Systems and Use. We are very grateful to Margie for all that she has done and continues to do.”

Hlava, a pioneer in the information management industry, founded Access Innovations in 1978. She holds 21 patents for a number of technological processes including automatic text processing and management and software-based methods for searching chemical names in text-containing documents.
Maryellen Tinsley wins award at University Research Day

Graduate student, Maryellen Tinsley, received an award for presenting her research at the 8th annual University Research Day.

Tinsley gave an oral presentation based on research she conducted for her Master’s paper. Entitled “Kress Fellows for Applied Research at the Ackland Art Museum: A Case Study of Collaboration,” the project was a collaborative effort carried out at the campus museum.

Her talk placed third in the Social Sciences Oral Presentation category at University Research Day, which took place on March 26, 2012. Tinsley was one of only six social science researchers campus-wide to be given an award.

Sponsored by the Graduate and Professional Student Federation, University Research Day provides a venue for undergraduate and graduate students, faculty and staff from all disciplines to share their research with the campus community with the mission of making research conducted at UNC more accessible to a general audience and to encourage undergraduate involvement in the culture of research on campus.

Kristen Bowen, Receives Public Service Award

Service projects in North Carolina and in faraway Uganda and Bosnia received awards from UNC at Chapel Hill at an annual ceremony on March 28.

SILS undergraduate student, Kristen Bowen, was one of the recipients of the Robert E. Bryan Social Innovation Fellowship for her work on “Healthy Girls Save the World” project. The project focuses on reducing childhood obesity by promoting healthy bodies, healthy minds and healthy relationships for girls ages 8-15 in North Carolina’s fourth district. Bowen worked on the project along with Camille McGirt ’13, Jillian Griffith ’14 and Reena Gupta ’15.

The Carolina Center for Public Service honored 20 individuals and organizations. Awards went to students, faculty and staff members from eight of Carolina’s 13 schools and more than 30 different departments.

Casey H. Rawson, wins YALSA writing competition

Casey H. Rawson, doctoral student, is a winner of the Young Adult Library Service Association (YALSA) annual writing competition. The purpose of the writing competition is to honor the writers of the best articles and posts submitted to YALSA’s journals and blogs.

Rawson was awarded for having the best article published in the spring issue of The Journal of Research on Libraries and Young Adults Vol. 1, Number 3. Her article is titled “Are All Lists Created Equal? Diversity in Award-Winning and Bestselling Young Adult Fiction.”

Doctoral student and ELIME-21 fellow, Amanda B. Click, named 2012 ALA Emerging Leader

Amanda Click, doctoral student, was named one of 67 selected for the 2012 class of Emerging Leaders by the American Library Association (ALA).

According to ALA’s press release, “the Emerging Leaders program is designed to enable library staff and information workers from across the country to participate in project planning workgroups; network with peers; gain an inside look into ALA structure; and have an opportunity to serve the profession in a leadership capacity early in their careers.”

Click participated in the daylong orientation session held for the Emerging Leader program at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Dallas. She and her fellow Emerging Leaders continued project planning via an online environment, culminating with a poster session at the ALA 2012 Annual Conference in Anaheim.

Amanda was named an Emerging Leader in part because of her work as a fellow of the “Educating Librarians in the Middle East: Building Bridges for the 21st Century” (ELIME-21) program.

Master’s Student Billy Cook receives 2012 Baker & Taylor Award to Morocco

Master’s student Billy Cook was the recipient of the Baker & Taylor Award to Morocco. The $4800 award covered airfare and other costs associated with the 4-6 week program at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco.

Cook joined a delegation from SILS that traveled to AUI in late May for a UNC Educating Librarians in the Middle East: Building Bridges for the 21st Century (ELIME-21) workshop on metadata. SILS faculty members Dr. Jane Greenberg and Dr. Evelyn Daniel also presented at the workshop. Dr. Javed Mostafa and Ph.D. student Sarah Ramdeen and Sumaya Ahmed participated and helped Cook plan his project.

Cook spent the remainder of his 4-6 week stint strengthening the AUI Library’s digital archives. “I’d like to thank Baker & Taylor and the ELIME program for sponsoring this internship,” said Cook. “I’m excited to be a part of ‘Team Morocco’ and grateful for the opportunity to help strengthen the relationship between SILS and Al Akhawayn University.”

The Baker & Taylor scholarship to Morocco is new this year and is an addition to the company’s sponsorship of the summer seminars to London and Prague. Baker & Taylor is a leading worldwide distributor of books, video, music and games.
Doctrinal student and SILS alumna awarded 2012 Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships

Doctoral student Laura Christopherson and Xi Niu (Ph.D. ’12) have been awarded 2012 Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships from Beta Phi Mu, the International Library and Information Studies Honor Society.

The competitive fellowship, which is awarded annually to up to six recipients, is selected from all library and information science doctoral students across the nation, was officially announced at the Beta Phi Mu General Assembly, in conjunction with the ALA Annual Meeting held in Anaheim, California in June 2012. The amount awarded for each fellowship is $3,000.

Christopherson’s dissertation proposal is titled, “Understanding Online Communication: Developing a Lexicon to Support Search, Capture, and Use.” Dr. Stephanie Haas, professor, is her advisor and dissertation committee chair. Members of her dissertation committee include, Dr. Brian Sturm, associate professor; Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, associate dean for Academic Affairs; Dr. Jeff Pomerantz, associate professor; and Dr. Connie Eble, professor, UNC at Chapel Hill’s English Department.

Xi Niu’s dissertation is titled, “Beyond Text Queries and Ranked Lists: Faceted Search in Library Catalogs.” Dr. Brad Hemminger, associate professor, was her advisor and committee chair. Members of her committee included, Dr. Gary Marchionini, dean and Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor; Dr. Barbara Wildemuth, associate dean for Academic Affairs; Dr. Jane Greenberg, professor; Bill Kules, professor, Catholic University.

Students present at 13th Annual Celebration of Undergraduate Research

Three SILS students recently presented at the 13th Annual Celebration of Undergraduate Research. Information Science majors Marla Sullivan, Brittany Hayes and Ching-Ching (Sunshine) Chen presented their studies at the event on Monday, April 16th. Sullivan did a poster presentation, while Chen and Hayes did a platform presentation of their research. According to the UNC Office for Undergraduate Research, “The goal of the celebration is to showcase and encourage meaningful research in all disciplines by undergraduates at the UNC at Chapel Hill.”

Sullivan’s research was a poster presentation titled, “Building a Memory Palace in the Cloud: Instructional Technologies and the Method of Loci.”

Hayes titled her research, “The social hashtag: An analysis of Twitter use during sporting events.” Hayes is a recent inductee in the national honor society, Phi Beta Kappa.

Chen conducted research titled, “Time Management Practices of Student Users of Facebook.”

This year’s Celebration was the largest thus far with 139 posters displayed and 56 platform presentations given. The undergraduate population at UNC at Chapel Hill is approximately 18,000 students.

Lori E. Harris, receives Spectrum Scholarship

Graduate student Lori E. Harris has been awarded a 2012 Spectrum Scholarship. The Spectrum Scholarship Program, through the American Library Association’s (ALA) Office for Diversity, provides scholarships to American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino and Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander students pursuing graduate degrees in library and information studies. Its mission is to improve service at the local level through the development of a representative workforce that reflects the communities served by all libraries. Since 1997, the ALA has awarded more than 800 Spectrum Scholarships.

Established in 1997, the ALA committed resources for 50 annual scholarships of $5,000 a year for Spectrum’s first four years. The Spectrum program continues to fund scholarships through the initial endowment and the generous contributions of individuals and organizations whose donations support named scholarships in the Spectrum Family of Funds.

Harris is one of two recipients of the scholarships supported by the Medical Library Association/National Library of Medicine (MLA/NLM). The MLA/NLM Spectrum Scholarships support students of color with an interest in the field of medical or health sciences librarianship.

Jason Priem and co-PI Heather Piwowar, receive $125K grant to track the impact of scholarly work on the Web

Jason Priem, a third-year doctoral student at SILS, and Heather Piwowar, a postdoctoral research associate at the National Evolutionary Synthesis Center (NESCent) in Durham, have been awarded a grant totaling $125,000 from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for their Total-Impact Web application.

Total-Impact is a project that allows users to view the impact of a wide range of research output via its Web site. According to the site, Total-Impact “goes beyond traditional measurements of research output - citations to papers - to embrace a much broader evidence of use across a wide range of scholarly output types. The system aggregates impact data from many sources and displays it in a single report.” The goal of the project is to track the impact of scholarly work using altmetrics, new metrics Priem, Piwowar and others are developing to track the impact of scholarly work on the Web, which sometimes includes social media such as blogs, Twitter feeds and Facebook posts.

Total-Impact relates to Priem’s wider research in altmetrics, or alternative metrics that measure things other than journal citations or other academic measures.
Greetings Everyone!

It has been an incredible year and such a delight to serve as your SILSAA president. The School’s 80th anniversary celebration and the special events that have been offered throughout the year have happily brought many of us together again. Reuniting with you and connecting with those who will soon be our alumni is what our SILS Alumni Association is all about.

One way we continue to unite alumni with current students is through our incredibly popular “Speed Networking” event. Similar to speed dating, we invite professionals from the local community to come to campus and meet with students who are about to enter the field. What’s really great are the many alumni who are willing to give up their time to attend this event to help students who enjoy meeting local professionals. Sometimes these alumni are from organizations that may be looking for exceptional individuals to fill open positions or internships. The event is noisy and fun with information and library professionals on one side of a u-shaped table set-up and students on the other side. With just three minutes to meet and learn about one-another, the bell rings and students move to speak with the next professional - until everyone has met. The events are always well-attended with even more students interested in attending. After the formal event, this year we decided to set up “birds of a feather” areas where students and professionals could interact informally. Everyone was so engaged, they didn’t want to leave! The results of these events have been terrific! Former students have found mentors, jobs and internships through speed networking, and alumni have hired talented and educated employees for their open positions.

The SILS graduation is always a happy day. In addition to happy students, happy parents, happy faculty and staff, it was a happy day for SILSAA as we welcomed the graduating class as new members of the SILS Alumni Association. During the program, I had the pleasure of presenting the Outstanding Service to the School award to undergraduate, Benito Luciano. Benito is a mover and shaker who excels in what he does and demonstrated his abilities by going over and above for the School during his time at SILS. He’ll be an alumnus to watch! I was also excited to present the certificate to our newest Distinguished Alumnus, Peter McCracken. When it comes to Peter, it was easy for the SILSAA Executive Board to select him from the nominations submitted since most of us have used Serials Solutions, the product he developed. We were pleased he could join us as we celebrated his many accomplishments with this distinguished honor.

As shared earlier this year, SILSAA transitioned to a non-dues membership model. In addition to the framed listing of the SILSAA Lifetime Members that now hangs in a place of honor in Manning Hall, the listing also resides on the SILS “Alumni” Web site. These important alums are also acknowledged on the following pages. We thank you and we want you to know we appreciate your involvement and continued support of your Alumni Association.

Please welcome the new SILSAA president, Jill Sexton (MSLS ’99). We’d like to invite you to visit the SILS Web site and our “Alumni” section in particular at sils.unc.edu/alumni. Please take a look at the alumni profiles that are there, and consider contributing your information as well. It’s a great way to keep up with your fellow classmates while showing future students see how far a degree can take you.

Have a fantastic year!

Kim Duckett (MSLS ’01), SILSAA President
Special recognition was conveyed on September 17, 2011, the School’s 80th anniversary, to these alumni, parents and former deans who purchased or were awarded lifetime membership in the UNC School of Information and Library Science Alumni Association until 2011.
SILSAA Lifetime Members

Mark Preder Hirsch
Arthur Daniel Hlavaty
Dorothy Davis Hodder
Elizabeth Jerome Holder
Edward Gallow Holley
Mary Robson Holley
Sidney Holmes
James Edgar Hooper
Peggy Campbell Horney
Mary Colt Horton
Miles Christopher Horton Jr.
Mihoko Hosoi
Katsuko T. Hotelling
Janet Elizabeth Houck
Gloria Whetstone House
Lee Ann Howard
Dorothy M. Hoyman
Edythe Simmons Huffman
Robert Byrd Humphreys Jr.
David Lee Hunsucker
Carolyn Paul Hunter
Alma Ormond Husketh
Gray Gilliam Huston
Andy Ingham
October Roy Ivins
Nancy Gertrude Jackson
Susan McNally Jackson
Mary Evelyn Jefferson
Mary Gilbert Johnson
William Stevens Powell
Mary P. Garvin Potter
Barbara Kelly Post
Alice Wright Porter
Mary Elizabeth Poole
Rebekah Hash Poller
William Robert Pollard
L. Frederick Pohl Jr.
Karen McEntyre Perry
Catherine A. Pellegrino
Jean Howard Pellegrin
John Grove Peck Jr.
Lennart Pearson
Helen Miller Peacock
Mary Brundage Schmidt
Nancy Higgins Seamans
Barry William Seaver
Walter A. Sedlak Jr.
Barbara Smith Selby
Donna Temple Seymour
Alice Louise Shank
Donna M. Shannon
James Timothy Shaw
Edward James Sheary
Carolyn Corner Sherayko
Stephen Craig Sharman
Mid-Yuh Shih
Beverley Jane Simmons
On Wilber Simons
W. Christian Sizemore
Ann Lewis Smith
Bernie Todd Smith
Dorothy Caroline Smith
Duncan Franklin Smith
Eleanor M. Smith
Eleanor Pearce Smith
Elizabeth H. Smith
Eric Jensen Smith
Linda L. Smith
Laura Westmoreland Gariepy appointed assistant head of Instructional Services

Laura Westmoreland Gariepy (MSLS’09) has been appointed assistant head of Instructional Services at Virginia Commonwealth University’s (VCU) James Branch Cabell Library.

In her new position, Gariepy leads efforts to create an integrated program that teaches research skills to undergraduates and graduate students, promotes information literacy and enhances the student experience at VCU. Gariepy supervises a team of five to lead the design, delivery and assessment of teaching activities within the library. The Research and Instructional Services Division creates educational experiences, coaches individuals working on specific projects, advises students on research methods and best practices and answers thousands of questions each year.

“University and college faculty increasingly expect librarians to deliver top-tier teaching programs that advance student success in the classroom,” said John Ulmschneider (MSLS ’82), University Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University and SILS distinguished alumni. “Laura has developed just such first-in-class programs at VCU, distinguished by both high levels of student engagement and by strong relationships with University faculty. We are delighted that she has accepted this new role at VCU, where her talented, informed and energetic leadership will further advance our instructional program and help VCU students succeed in their academic work.”

Shari Laster, takes on national leadership role

The expertise of The University of Akron’s University Libraries’ Shari Laster (MSLS ’07) in government information access and preservation has been recognized by peers throughout her field. She has also been selected as chair of the Depostory Library Council to the Public Printer. Laster, an assistant professor of bibliography and government documents and reference librarian in Research and Learning Services, was appointed to a three-year term on the 15-member council in 2010 by the U.S. Government Printing Office. The council advises the Public Printer of the United States on policy matters relating to the Federal Depository Library Program.

Joshua Vossler, wins ACRL Innovation Award

Joshua Vossler (MSLS ’07) information literacy and reference librarian at Coastal Carolina University and his colleague John Watts, instruction and liaison services librarian at Webster University, have been selected to receive the 2012 Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Instruction Section Innovation Award for their work on a series of five videos, which were created in cooperation with Coastal Carolina University’s First Year Experience Program and were designed to introduce first-year students to fundamental information literacy concepts.

Sponsored by ProQuest, the annual award recognizes a project that demonstrates creative, innovative or unique approaches to information literacy instruction or programming. An honorarium of $3,000 and a plaque were presented to Vossler and Watts during the 2012 ALA Annual Conference in Anaheim, CA.
Suchi Mohanty, appointed head of UNC’s Undergraduate Library

Suchi Mohanty (M.S.L.S. '02) began her duties as the new head of the R.B. House Undergraduate Library at the UNC at Chapel Hill on June 4, 2012.

In this role, Mohanty provides vision and leadership for services that support information, learning and teaching. She directs development of the Undergraduate Library’s collections and oversees provision of services. She manages the overall administration of the library, including planning, assessment, program development, facilities and budget.

Valerie Gillispie is Duke University Archivist

Valerie Gillispie (MSLS '05) has been named university archivist at Duke University. Gillispie returns to North Carolina after having worked for the last five years as assistant university archivist in the Special Collections and Archives department at Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Though originally from North Dakota, Gillispie’s connection to the Research Triangle runs deep. She earned a Master’s degree in public history from North Carolina State University before completing her MSLS at SILS. She is also already familiar with Duke’s archives, having worked there as an intern during graduate school.

SILS Alumna Meredith Weiss and doctoral candidate Dana Hanson-Baldauf receive research grants

Dr. Meredith Weiss (Ph.D. ’09), associate dean for Administration, Finance and Information Technology UNC School of Law and Dana Hanson-Baldauf, doctoral candidate at SILS, are collaborating on a research project titled, “Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities: Strategies for Human Resource Managers Interested in Expanding Integrated Employment Practices.”

Weiss and Hanson-Baldauf received $41,672 from the Strategies for Human Resource Managers Interests in Expanding Integrated Employment Practices (SHRMIEP) to study the ways in which individuals with identification are successfully employed in integrated work settings. This includes the identification of job tasks, factors that support integrated work practices, and the observed and perceived impact on the organization. Semi-structured interviews of supervisors from five small to medium enterprises and five Fortune 500 corporations will be conducted. Findings will be summarized into strategies for human resource managers interested in expanding integrated practices.

In addition, Weiss and her co-PI Shannon Tufts, Ph.D., assistant professor and director of the UNC Center for Public Technology UNC at Chapel Hill School of Government were awarded a $20,000 research stipend from the IBM Center for The Business of Government for the research proposal on contracting for the cloud titled, “Cloudy with a Chance of Success? A Comparison of Best Practices and the Practical Reality of Contracting for the Cloud in the Public Sector.”

State Librarian of North Carolina - Cal Shepard

Caroline (Cal) Shepard (MSLS ’77) is the new State librarian of North Carolina replacing former State librarian Mary Boone (MSLS ’73), also a SILS alumna, who retired in January.

Shepard began her career in public library children’s services, first in the Nantahala Regional Library System in western North Carolina, then at the Forsyth County Public Library in Winston-Salem. Shepard worked at the State Library of North Carolina supervising statewide library services and overseeing state and federal grant programs for North Carolina’s libraries.

Beginning in 1999, Shepard worked with SOLINET, the regional library consortium as educational services manager. She developed and implemented strategic and operational plans including marketing, service and project development, financial management, performance appraisal and salary administration. She created and managed training programs and presentations that were delivered to national and international audiences and established SOLINET’s first distance education program.

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Aaron Brubaker appointed Director of Information Technology

Aaron Brubaker (MSIS ’06) has been appointed director of Information Technology at the School of Information and Library Science at UNC.

Brubaker is a familiar face at SILS, being an alumnus of the MSIS program and having worked at SILS since 2007 when he was appointed director of Instructional Technology Services and most recently as interim director of IT. As a student, he worked first as an assistant and then as a student manager in Instructional Technology at the School of Information and Library Science.

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Laurie Hunter receives SLA travel award

The Special Libraries Association/PAM Professional Development Committee and IOP Publishing, Inc. have selected Laurie Hunter (MSLS ’11) as a 2012 PAM Travel Stipend winner. Hunter received a $1,000 check to support her attendance to the 2012 SLA Annual Conference in Chicago.

Rachel Lerner appointed Director of Information Technology

Rachel Lerner (MSLS ’11) has been appointed UNC TraCS Institute Knowledge Management Librarian in the Health Sciences Library. In this one-year position, Lerner assists Translational and Clinical Sciences (TraCS) Institute team members by identifying large, interdisciplinary team grants and providing grant-seeking and matching services to the TraCS community. She also assists with data collection and analysis for the TraCS evaluation team and works with the REACH NC database for the Health Affairs faculty.
Michael L. Richmond named Attorney of the Year

Professor Michael L. Richmond (MSLS '74), Law Center Professor and SILS alumnus, has been named "2012 Attorney of the Year" by Broward Lawyers Care, the pro bono project of the Legal Aid Service (LAS) of Broward County and Coast to Coast Legal Aid (CCLA) of South Florida.

"As the state of the economy has worsened over the past few years, there is an increasing need for volunteer legal assistance to the poor and disadvantaged. These awards honor attorneys who recognize that need and have committed themselves to serving the community."

Richmond teaches at Nova Southeastern University and has served on the faculty at the Law Center since 1978. He is the faculty advisor to the Public Interest Law Society, raising funds to support stipends for NONA Southeastern University students to intern at LAS and CCLA. His pro bono work for Broward Lawyers Care includes working extensively on diverse cases over the years, including family law/domestic cases, and unfair collections practices and public benefits resulting in hundreds of donated pro bono hours.

The award will be presented at the 11th Annual FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD gala on Sept. 28, 2012 at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Marina. FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD is an annual fundraiser for LAS of Broward County and CCLA of South Florida. Proceeds benefit families and individuals in gaining access to equal justice.

Richard Murray's new book describes what employers want


The book, published in June 2012 by Libraries Unlimited, is a step-by-step guide for students, recent graduates and others looking for employment through the process of planning a job search.

Topics included are: choosing classes, gaining practical experience while in school, establishing a professional image, gaining skills that make applicants more marketable, writing effective resumes and cover letters, interviewing and negotiating a job offer.

Ed Sheary named North Carolina Library Director of the Year

Ed Sheary (MSLS '77) was recently named Library Director of the Year for 2011 by the North Carolina Public Libraries Directors Association.

Sheary is the director of public libraries in Buncombe County in western North Carolina, which encompasses Asheville and its surroundings. Having been a director of public libraries in North Carolina since 1981, Sheary has been Buncombe County Library Director since 1990.

The award from the NCPLDA particularly recognizes his management of the $3.3 million renovation of the Pack Memorial Library in downtown Asheville. The main library in the Buncombe County system, the Pack Memorial Library renovation was completed at the end of 2010.

Epsilon Chapter of Beta Phi Mu Inductees Honored - Dr. Carolyn Hank receives achievement award

The Epsilon Chapter of Beta Phi Mu, the honor society of SILS held its annual dinner meeting and induction ceremony on Tuesday, May 1st, at Maggiano’s Little Italy restaurant in Durham, N.C.

This year’s program included a welcome from Epsilon Beta Phi Mu president and SILS alumna, Donna Nixon (MSLS ‘01), an update on the School by Dean Gary Marchionini, a special remembrance of Dr. Deborah Barreau by Dr. Brian Sturm, SILS associate professor, who said Dr. Barreau was representative of the motto of Beta Phi Mu: “consumed in the service of others.” The meeting included remarks from event speaker, Gina Powell, outreach and volunteer services librarian at the North Carolina Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, who discussed her work that provides services for the blind and physically handicapped.

Along with the 16 inductees, Carolyn Hank (Ph.D. ’11) was announced as the recipient of the annual achievement award. The inductees include: Brooks J. Breece (MSLS ’11), Mildred Elizabeth Davidson (MSLS ’11), Elizabeth Sarah Dorner (MSLS ’11), Tyler Andrew Dzuba (MSLS ’11), Ryan M. Greenway (MSLS ’11), Carolyn Hank (Ph.D. ’11), Kimberly Anne Lancaster Hirsh (MSLS ’11), Jeffery Lawrence Loo (Ph.D. ’09), Adam Thomas Mack (MSIS ’11), Adam J. Martin (MSIS ’10), Pamela Herrington Mayer (MSLS ’11), Michael Robert Nutt (MSIS ’11), Thomas Sheffield Richey (MSLS ’11), Terrell G. Russell (Ph.D. ’11), Ann McKay Skaggs (MSLS ’11) and Frederic D Stutzman (Ph.D. ’11).

Emily Jack, Appointed Digital Projects and Outreach Librarian

The University Library at the UNC at Chapel Hill, has appointed Emily Jack (MSLS ’07) as Digital Projects and Outreach Librarian in the North Carolina Collection Gallery of the Wilson Special Collections Library.

Jack works under the supervision of the keeper of the Gallery to raise the Gallery’s public profile. She manages Web pages and creates online exhibits and Web-based social media. She also organizes promotional and outreach activities such as tours and educational programs. In addition, Jack is responsible for record-keeping and management of the Gallery’s 22,000 historic objects.
Joshua Boyer heads up new User Experience Department

Joshua Boyer (MSLS ’99) has been named the head of the newly established User Experience Department at North Carolina State University (NCSU) Libraries. The establishment of the User Experience Department is a part of the wider transition to the new Hunt Library on NCSU’s Centennial Campus in Raleigh, which is expected to open in early 2013. The new department will focus on how users experience digital and physical spaces at the new Hunt Library and across the NCSU Libraries.

Elizabeth Morris named assistant librarian at Yale Center

Elizabeth Morris (MSLS ’10) has been named assistant librarian at the Yale Center for British Art, a public art museum and research institute in New Haven, Connecticut.

Morris’s new position has kept her quite busy since she began at this prestigious art museum library last November. In addition to providing instructional and reference services to students and faculty at Yale University as well as visiting scholars, Morris is also charged with heading up the Publication Exchange Program and the Field Librarian Program. She is currently involved in establishing an internship program for the Reference Library and Archives.

Peter McCracken selected as SILS Distinguished Alumnus

Peter McCracken (MSLS ’95), co-founder and publisher of ShipIndex.org and co-founder of Serials Solutions, Inc., has been selected as a 2012 SILS Distinguished Alumnus. McCracken, who will receive the award during the SILS Spring commencement ceremony on May 13th, was nominated by his fellow alumni and selected for the award by the Executive Board of the SILS Alumni Association (SILSA).

"I’m thrilled and honored to be named SILS Distinguished Alumnus for 2012,” said McCracken. “My two years in SILS laid the groundwork for my entire professional career so far, from learning the intricacies of reference services, to creating a mock information services company through courses with Dr. Daniel. Web development classes showed me how to apply my interest in maritime history to make it available to all, via the then-new World Wide Web. And I learned just enough cataloging to make me dangerous when it came to working with real catalogers and serials librarians through Serials Solutions. All of these experiences, combined, prepared me to develop the skills and confidence to create ShipIndex.org, which is the service that matters most to me. Sharing maritime history with the world is what I want most to do, and SILS made that possible.”

Adam Rogers receives ACRL CLS ProQuest Award

Adam Rogers (MSLS ’10), emerging technology services librarian, and two of his colleagues at North Carolina State University (NCSU) Libraries - Anne Burke and Adrienne Lai, have been named the 2012 recipients of the Association of College and Research Libraries College Libraries Section ProQuest Innovation in College Librarianship Award for their work on the NCSU Mobile Scavenger Hunt.

The annual award honors an American Library Association member who has demonstrated a capacity for innovation in their work with undergraduates, instructors and/or the library community.
Karen Sobel’s new book provides basics for students

Imagine this: it’s your first day of library instruction. You have one hour, one academic library full of millions of resources, one classroom packed with instructional technologies and 25 18-year-old students who want to write their research papers using only Google. Are you ready? This is the beginning of a description of Information Basics for College Students, a new book written by Karen Sobel (MSLS ’07). In this book, Sobel, research and instruction librarian in the University of Colorado at Denver’s Auraria Library, provides a resource for anyone in need of guidance in the field of information.

“[My book] is a primer and a reference for librarians and MLS candidates who are learning to perform library instruction,” said Sobel. “I aimed to provide a fairly comprehensive overview of issues surrounding library instruction – working with academic faculty to plan instruction, assessing student learning, diverse needs among students, what actually happens in the classroom and so on.”

Jodi Berkowitz appointed to Animal Welfare and Animal Rights project

Jodi Berkowitz (MSLS ’06) has been appointed project librarian for the Animal Welfare and Animal Rights Collection Project, Special Collections Research Center, at North Carolina State University Libraries effective June 4, 2012.

Rosemary Green celebrates 30 years and her article making “Top Twenty” list

Dr. Rosemary Green (MSLS ’77) is the Graduate Programs Librarian at Shenandoah University in Winchester, VA, where she is completing her 30th year with the university. Her article “Information illiteracy: Examining our assumptions,” in the Journal of Academic Librarianship, was named one of “Top Twenty” instruction articles of 2010 by the Library Instruction Round Table of ALA. She has co-authored an invited chapter titled “Doctorates for professionals through distance education,” which will appear in the forthcoming Handbook of Distance Education, 3rd ed.

Welcome Baby Tar Heels

Chirag Shah (Ph.D. ’10), assistant professor at Rutgers University, and wife Lori welcomed Sophie Anne Shah on May 7, 2012. Baby Sophie weighed 7lb 4oz and was 20 inches long.

Sarah Snow (MSIS ’04) and husband Claude are the proud grandparents of triplets! From left to right: Joshua, Gabriella and Logan Place whose parents are Catharine (daughter) and Steve Place. They were born August 22, 2011 and their birth weights averaged 4 lbs, 7 oz. The boys are identical twins.

Michael Peper (MSLS ’08), librarian for Mathematics, Physics and Digital Services, Perkins Library, Duke University, and wife Tandy Wolters, welcomed Henry Edward Peper on June 1, 2012. Baby Henry was 7 lbs 15 oz and 20 3/4 inches long.
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