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Message from the Chair

Pam Neumann

With the heat of summer here, and having already experienced the first tropical storm of this hurricane season, I am already looking forward to a cool autumn evening in Atlanta. The planners of the SC/MAC joint meeting in Atlanta have done a superb job of putting together a great program. Kudos goes to the Southern Chapter members of the Convention Steering Committee **Sandra Franklin, Cynthia Henderson** and **Jocelyn Rankin** and to **Priscilla Stephenson**, 2006 SC/MLA Program Chair. The meeting speakers include former U.S. Surgeon General David Satcher speaking on health disparities and a physician from the CDC speaking on the bird flu. This year, for the first time, we will have online registration for our meeting. You will be receiving an announcement soon that will provide the url for the online registration website. Once registration is open, I encourage you to register early for the best selection of available CE courses.

Your Southern Chapter Executive Board met during the annual MLA meeting in Phoenix, AZ. During this meeting, the Board approved a recommendation from the Bylaws Committee for revision of the Chapter bylaws to bring them in line with the Model Bylaws for Use by Chapters of the Medical Library Association. Most of the revisions are in Article IV, Section 3 that deals with elections of officers. The changes will allow for future online elections by the Chapter. A ballot containing these bylaws revisions will be mailed to you later this summer, along with the slate of officers recommended by the Nomination Committee and approved by the Board. The Board also approved automatic 2006 membership renewals for SC/MLA members affected by Hurricane Katrina. I am working with individuals in the affected areas to determine how hurricane relief funds received from the Midwest Chapter should be distributed. Also during the MLA annual meeting I attended the MLA Leadership and Management Section business meeting and, along with

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ALABAMA

Baugh Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama Mobile, AL

The article "Evaluating a Chat Reference Service at the University of South Alabama's Baugh Biomedical Library" by **Clista Clanton, Geneva Staggs** and **Tom Williams** was published in the April edition of Public Services Quarterly and will be published as a book chapter in Reference Assessment and Evaluation, edited by T. Diamond and M. Sanders, in August of 2006.

- From the left: Judy Burnham, Clista Clanton and Justin Robertson

During the first weekend in May, the University of South Alabama Biomedical Library hosted a CyberClinic at the annual meeting of the Medical Association of the State of Alabama (MASA) in Sandestin, Florida. The CyberClinic was located in the center of the exhibit hall and included laptops for the attendees to access their e-mail. Additionally, the Biomedical Librarians offered consultations to attendees on medical information topics, including PubMed, PDAs, and evidence-based medicine. This is the fifth year that the USA Biomedical Library has hosted this event for MASA. Staffing the CyberClinic were **Judy Burnham, Clista Clanton** and **Justin Robertson. Robbie Runderson** provided technical support.

Also at the 2006 meeting of the MASA, **Judy Burnham** presented a session on "Healthcare in the Palm of Your Hands: Using a PDA in Your Practice." Included in the presentation were tips on purchasing a PDA, health care applications, and PDA resources. The PowerPoint slides of the presentation can be found at: http://southmed.usouthal.edu/library/masasite/. Links to PDA resources including drug databases, medical calculators, references and other resources can also be found on this page.

Judy's publication "Scopus Database: A Review" (March 2006, 3:1) has been noted as a "Highly Accessed" article. A "Highly Accessed" article is one that has been frequently accessed, relative to its age, and the journal in which it was published. The article reviews the Scopus database, available at: www.scopus.com/scopus/home.url. With Scopus, the user can search citations by subject or by cited references.

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In February, **Judy Burnham** served as a guest "chatter" for the University of Southern Mississippi's Special Libraries distance education course. Using the Blackboard software, Burnham was able to communicate with the students about medical librarianship. Students asked her questions about how medical libraries ensure that their patrons have the latest information, what classes to take in preparation for a career in medical librarianship, about her interaction with patients, and about outreach programs and associations for medical librarians. The course director reported to Burnham that the students were enthusiastic about the session and the field of medical librarianship. This is the second time Burnham has participated in this class.

Diane Williams has announced her retirement effective May 31. Diane will be re-locating to Texas and plans to travel and settle in her new home. She has worked for the Biomedical Library for 23 years. In 1992, she received her MLS and joined the Biomedical Library faculty. Diane has worked most of those years in the Technical Services Department. Her experience and expertise will be missed and we at the Biomedical Library wish her the best!

With Diane's departure, **Ellen Sayed** will be moving into the position of Head of Collection Management and will supervise all aspects of the Technical Services area, including journals, collection development and bindery. **Justin Robertson** will assume supervision of the Interlibrary Loan Department and will oversee the Biomedical Library's outreach program, the SOUTHmed Information Network. He will retain his responsibilities as WebMaster. **Clista Clanton** will assume the responsibilities of Education Librarian and retain her supervision of the COM Computer Lab and the Multimedia Lab.

Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, UAB, Birmingham, AL

Pat Higginbottom, Associate Director of Public Services, is now chair of MLA's Leadership and Management Section

Susie Corbett, Systems Development Librarian, is Chair of MLA's By-Laws Committee

Liz Lorbeer, Associate Director for Collection Management, is Section Chair for MLA's Collection Development Section

Michael Fitts, Assistant Director for Access and Document Delivery Services, is an MLA Public Service Section Council representative

Scott Plutchak, Lister Hill Library Director, has now assumed his seat beginning his three-year term on MLA's Board of Directors.

Susie Corbett has announced her departure to become Library Director for the North Carolina Biotechnology Center effective July 12. We are sad to see Susie leave but are very happy for her new opportunity. We wish her all the very best!

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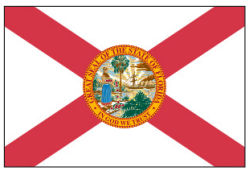

FLORIDA

Baptist Health South Florida

Diane Rourke, Director of Library Services, Baptist Health South Florida in Miami, FL gave a talk at MLA in Phoenix, AZ on May 22 as part of the section program sponsored by NAHRS (Nursing and Allied Health Section). The title of the talk was "The hospital library as "magnet force" for a research and evidence-based nursing culture: A case study of two Magnet hospitals in one health system." She has been invited to serve on the MLA Hospital Library Section's Standards Committee as the committee begins a liaison relationship with the ANCC (American Nursing Credentialing Center) regarding possible inclusion of standards for hospital libraries in Magnet hospitals in the future.

For National Library Week 2006, **Diane** also coordinated a successful "Writing for Publications" workshop for staff with CEUs for nursing and allied health, simultaneously honoring the staff authors for the year. Special guest and keynote speaker was local historical author Christine Ardalan who showed vintage photos of the early days of nursing in South Florida. Her most recent book is Warm Hearts and Caring Hands: South Florida Nursing from Frontier to Metropolis, 1880-2000.

In April, **Diane** was also honored for her thirty years of service at Baptist Health South Florida.

Miami Health Sciences Library Consortium

Devica Samsundar, Electronic Resources Librarian and Supervisor, Baptist Health South Florida, concluded an unprecedented four year "reign" as Chairperson of the Miami Health Sciences Library Consortium. At the spring meeting at Mercy Hospital, Devica was honored and gifted many times over by incoming chair, **Roumiana Katzarhkov**, Director of the Miami Children's Hospital Medical Library. Other officers for this year include: Vice Chairperson, **Sally Haff**, Memorial Healthcare System, Hollywood, FL; Secretary **Andre Peres**, Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach; and Treasurer **Carrie Figueredo**, Beckman Coulter Library, Miami, FL. The Miami Health Sciences Library Consortium begins its twenty-eighth year working together to serve the health information needs of South Florida's health care professionals and patients.

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University of South Florida Shimberg Health Sciences Library

Karen Keene, Reference/Systems Librarian, represented the Shimberg Health Sciences Library at the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Sophomore/Junior Access Day 2006 on April 7th. The event was sponsored by the USF location of the Florida AHEC (Area Health Education Centers) Network, an extensive, statewide system for health professional education and support. Spring Access Day introduces underrepresented sophomore and junior high school students to various health professional careers. Over 160 high school participants from nine counties attended this year's event. Karen was joined by graduate student Sandra Gilbert in presenting information on various career opportunities in medical librarianship. A steady stream of students visited their table during the three-hour outdoor event held at the USF Health courtyard. This was the second time the Library partnered with AHEC in support of their community outreach to high school students. Karen, Sandra and **John Orriola** participated in last year's AHEC Senior Access Day on November 18, 2005.

Karen presented "Medical Information for Health Professionals & Your Patients" at USF's Student Health Services (SHS) Medical Clinic on May 3, 2006. The class was attended by SHS physicians and nurse practitioners.

Karen represented the Shimberg Health Sciences Library at Senior Day in the Park in Tampa on May 5, 2006. This annual event is sponsored by the City of Tampa and the State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs in celebration of Older Americans Month. Hundreds of seniors attended this daylong, outdoor event held at Tampa's MacFarlane Park. Karen presented information on consumer health resources and the USF Health medical centers and clinics.

Florida State University Charlotte Edwards Maguire Medical Library

The faculty and staff of the Charlotte Edwards Maguire Medical Library were awarded the College of Medicine Faculty Council Award in recognition of outstanding service and support for the research and education programs of the College of Medicine. Award winners are nominated by faculty peers within the College and then selected by vote of the Faculty Council.

Other News Around the State

Susan McCullough, Manager, Medical Informatics and Library Services, Baptist Health, Jacksonville, attended the Medical Library Association conference held May 19-24, 2006, in Phoenix, Arizona. Susan participated as a member of the EBSCO Biomedical Advisory Board.

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GEORGIA

Robert B. Greenblatt Library, Medical College of Georgia

Mark Spasser, former Chair of Education and Information Services at the Robert B. Greenblatt Library at the Medical College of Georgia, assumed the position of Director of Health Sciences Libraries at Palmetto Health in Columbia, SC on June 19, 2006.

The Medical College of Georgia, Greenblatt Library is pleased to announce the appointment of a new faculty member. **Ms. Lindsay Haynes** joined the Greenblatt Library June 15th as Instructor, Information Services Coordinator for the Education & Information Services Department. Ms. Haynes received her MLS from the University of South Carolina in May of 2006. Ms. Haynes brings a strong education background with experience teaching science at the secondary education level and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Kansas.

Changing the Face of Medicine Exhibit

The **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**, **Emory Health Sciences Library** and **Morehouse School of Medicine Library**, sponsored the National Library of Medicine's traveling exhibit – Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians – from May 8, 2006 through June 16, 2006.

An opening reception to view the exhibit was held on May 10. A panel of prominent Morehouse School of Medicine, Emory University and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention women physicians discussed the barriers, issues, mentors, and opportunities they encountered as women physicians and medical students.

On June 8, 2006 a screening was held of "Hollywood and Women Doctors"--Dr. Peter Dans' tour of Hollywood's portrayals of women doctors, using film clips beginning with 1933's "Mary Stevens MD" through 2002's "Blood Work".

The exhibit and both events were held in the new Global Health Odyssey and Visitor's Center of CDC.

Both events were well attended and the exhibit itself is inspiring. Morehouse School of Medicine has three physicians on its faculty who are in the exhibit--**Dr. Virginia Floyd**, **Dr. Beatrice Gee**, and **Dr. Elizabeth Ofili**. Emory also has physicians who are in the exhibit. We look forward to other collaborations such as this to enhance our institutional relationships.

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MISSISSIPPI

Rowland Medical Library, University of Mississippi Medical Center

On May 21, 2006, **Helvi McCall Price** and **Ada Seltzer** presented a poster entitled Transformation of Library Orientation for First Year Medical Students at the MLA Annual Meeting held in Phoenix, AZ.

Connie Machado has rotated off her 3 years as MLA Section Council Representative for the Technical Services Section of MLA. She still serves as co-editor of the TSS electronic newsletter, Technical Trends, and is also serving as interim web editor for the TSS website until a new web editor is found.

Walter Morton, Associate Director for Systems & Tech Services, has stepped down after serving five years as co-editor of The Leading Edge, the newsletter of the Leadership & Management Section.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Daniel Library of The Citadel, Charleston, SC

Elizabeth Connor, AHIP, Science Liaison at The Daniel Library, recently attended a Case Studies in Science Workshop (http://ublib.buffalo.edu/libraries/projects/cases/case.html) from May 22-26, 2006 at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Elizabeth's participation was funded by the National Science Foundation, with additional funding from the Citadel Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching, Learning, and Evaluation (CASTLE). Elizabeth was one of more than fifty faculty (and the only librarian) chosen to participate in the May workshop. The first three days of the workshop focused on learning the case study method and writing a case. The final two days involved teaching the case to a group of paid honors students, receiving feedback from students and peers, and observing fellow participants teaching their cases. Elizabeth developed an interrupted, role-playing, dilemma case about egg donation that used a number of active learning techniques to engage and sustain student interest. Over the next year, participants are expected to finish polishing their cases, develop teaching notes, and submit these materials to the case study collection maintained by project directors Clyde Freeman Herreid and Nancy Schiller, Engineering Librarian at Buffalo.

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Medical University of South Carolina Library

On May 3, the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) 2010 Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition's Library Partnership won the 2006 Health Information Award for Libraries from the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS).

Chosen from entries across the United States, the REACH 2010 program was judged to be the best library program for encouraging healthy lifestyles and providing health information to citizens. The REACH 2010 library program was presented with a plaque and $20,000 for continuing and expanding its programs.

"Our library partnership brings together African American community leaders from the faith community, rural community centers, diabetes advocacy groups, IT companies, librarians, and the REACH 2010 team to work on the common concerns of diabetes disparities and digital divide issues. We talk, listen, plan, and take actions together," said **Barbara Carlson**, REACH 2010/Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) health sciences librarian and program director.

The program is the collaborative work of a community-campus-libraries partnership, which consists of the MUSC College of Nursing (CON), MUSC Department of Library Science and Informatics, Charleston County Public Libraries, Georgetown County Public Libraries, and community-based organizations. The group has received tremendous support from **Thomas G. Basler**, Ph.D., MUSC Library Director and Chairperson, MUSC Department of Library Science and Informatics.

The program expands Internet access at five community sites and uses libraries and the Internet to train African-Americans to locate high quality health information. J**. Edward Hill, M.D.**, president of the American Medical Association, made the award presentation to Carlson and a delegation of the library program's leadership at a reception following the 2006 Libraries and Health Information Forum at the National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, MD.

Other REACH delegates in attendance were **Florene Linnen**, REACH 2010 community health advisor; **Marlynn Lance-Robb**, Georgetown Carver Bay Library Branch library manager; **Joyce Linnen**, diabetes Internet trainer for Nazareth A.M.E. (African Methodist Episcopal) Church in Georgetown; and Pastor **Carl Grant** and wife, **Jacqueline**, diabetes Internet trainer for Greater St. Peters Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

"Receiving this award is vitally important to each of us involved in this project. It reminds us that such outreach is needed in the community, especially our church community," said Pastor Grant. "So many people in our congregation suffer from diabetes and

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hypertension. Most can't access or afford proper care, while others don't possess the knowledge to improve their lifestyles."

The REACH 2010 Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition, which guides the library program, aims to eliminate disparities for more than 12,000 African Americans diagnosed with diabetes by improving self-management and care. As a group of community organizations and leaders, the local coalition focuses on increasing community awareness, improving the quality of health care, and creating diabetes education opportunities. MUSC College of Nursing professor **Carolyn Jenkins**, Dr.PH., is principal investigator for the local REACH coalition. Based in the MUSC College of Nursing and under the direction of the Diabetes Initiative of South Carolina, the local REACH coalition is one of 40 REACH programs nationwide, each specializing in a particular health disparity. The coalition is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the library program has the support from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine.

This has been a banner year for the Charleston and Georgetown REACH Coalition. A month after the NCLIS award, the entire REACH 2010 Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition won the 2006 Community-Campus Partnerships Annual Award. For more information see: http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/awards2006-reach2010.html

The REACH library program supports Internet access and volunteer Internet instructors to help people find health information and learn technical skills. Program participants are encouraged to use the information to strengthen communication with their health care providers, and to learn more about health issues from high quality, reliable resources such as MedlinePlus (www.medlineplus.gov) from the National Library of Medicine and Hands-on-Health-SC (www.handsonhealth-sc.org/) for local resources. In less than a year, the program has educated over 2,000 individuals about health information resources.

Community leaders, librarians, and REACH staff collaborate as a steering committee to provide Internet access and training, improve diabetes collections in public libraries, produce posters and bookmarks, and raise the awareness of the importance of good quality health information. Partners include Charleston County public librarians from the Johns Island Regional Library, Otranto Road Regional Library, Cooper River Branch, St. Paul's Branch, and Georgetown County's Main Library and its new Carvers Bay Library Branch. Representatives from the Wadmalaw Island Citizen Improvement Committee, Greater St. Peters Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Wiltown Community Center, Nazareth A.M.E. Church, and the Georgetown County Diabetes CORE Group engage local groups in these efforts.

The NCLIS Health Information Awards for Libraries are designed to encourage library programs that address one or more of the following: dietary choices; exercise; smoking cessation; alcohol and/or drug abuse prevention; immunizations and health screenings; and improved health literacy, that is the ability to understand and make use of health

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information. State winners were selected in each state, and from those, a panel of NCLIS commissioners selected 10 finalists. A panel of judges, including former Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan, M.D.; former Health Education and Welfare Secretary Joseph Califano; and J. Edward Hill, M.D., chose the South Carolina program as the best library program for health information distribution.

For information on REACH 2010 Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition and its library program, call 792-5872 or visit http://www.musc.edu/reach.

Laura Kreis Cousineau, MLS, has beennamed as Assistant Director for Program Development and ResourceIntegration at the Medical University of South Carolina's Library. She also serves as an Associate Professor in the Department of Library Scienceand Informatics.

This new position should allow for expanded capabilities in the delivery ofresources for clinical, research and educational support. It will also provide more focused leadership for evidence-based medicine collaborations, and college, department, and institute liaison initiatives.

Ms. Cousineau has served as a member of our Public Services and Education team as reference librarian, web developer, and evidence-based medicine specialist. She serves as a Presidential Scholar Faculty, as Advisory Board member to CME and the Apple Tree Society, as Faculty Senator, as EBM faculty in Pediatrics, as a Clinical Ethics preceptor. Before arriving at MUSC, as Head, Lilly Library and AT&T Information Literacy Program Director at Duke University. Further work at Duke included that of Philosophy Resource Specialist, Information Access Librarian, and member of the Public Documents and Maps Reference Team. Her MLS, Magna cum Laude is from North Carolina Central University, her BA, cum Laude, in Business Management from North Carolina State University.

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☙ University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library

Laura Townsend Kane, Assistant Director for Information Services, has been

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awarded an Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) Leadership Scholarship. Ms. Kane, Assistant Director for Information Services, will use the scholarship to attend the Summer Institute for Academic Library Leadership at Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, in July 2006. AAHSL Leadership Scholarships support the development of leadership skills for future academic health center library directors.

Ellen Reynolds, Cataloging Specialist, retired from the Library after 18 years of committed service on May 19.

Roz McConnaughy, Assistant Director for Education & Outreach, and **Steve Wilson**, Coordinator for the Center for Disability Resources Library, published the article, "Using Geographic Information Systems to Identify Prospective Marketing Areas for a Special Library," in Biomedical Digital Libraries 3(4) May 2006. The article can be accessed at http://www.bio-diglib.com/content/3/1/4.

Briget Livingston, Head of Access Services, **Roz McConnaughy**, **Steve Wilson**, and **Felicia Yeh**, Assistant Director for Collections Management, attended the MLA annual meeting in Phoenix. Roz presented the poster "Talk Radio: Advocating and Celebrating Health Information Resources Over the Airwaves." She also attended the Southern Chapter Executive Board meeting.

The library's radio show project won first place in the MLA Swap N Shop publicity competition in Phoenix in the category Academic Libraries: Ongoing Consumer Campaigns!

Ellen Reynolds traveled to Washington, DC with other members of the South Carolina Library Association to participate in National Legislative Day April 30-May 3.

Felicia Yeh attended attend the North American Serials Interest Group meeting in Denver May 4-7.

Soumitra Kayal, Systems Librarian, attended the Innovative Interfaces Users Group meeting in Denver May 18-23.

The Library hosted a two day visit for **Rachel Gyore**, NLM Associate Fellow, Virginia Commonwealth University Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences, June 19-20.

The Library's 2006-2007 strategic plan has been finalized and is available at http://uscm.med.sc.edu/0607StrategicPlan.pdf

Around the South (continued pg. 14)

Message From the Chair (continued from page 1)

Melanie Norton, 2006 MAC Program Chair, received a check for $2,500 for the Chapter-Level Leadership Education Challenge Grant. This grant will help support a nationally recognized management seminar, lead by **Lynne Waymon**, at the joint meeting in Atlanta.

I am pleased to report that the transition has been completed for the following Appointed Officials:

•This issue of Southern Expressions is the inaugural issue under the editorship of **Jason Baker** and **Nicole Mitchell**. They worked with **Clista Clanton** and **Justin Robertson**, the previous co-editors, on the Spring issue to ensure a smooth transition.

•The chapter archives have been moved to the library of the University of Alabama—Birmingham. **Lisa Ennis**, our new archivist, is hard at work getting everything organized and settled in to the new location.

•**Sandra Canham** trained with **Linda Flavin**, our past Membership Database Manager, and has now assumed the duties of that position.

Please be sure to direct any correspondence to the new individuals in these positions.

Plans are already being made for our 2007 annual meeting in Charleston, SC. It has been many years since we last met in Charleston, and I, for one, am anxious to return. **Tom Basler** from the Medical University of South Carolina and **Ruth Riley** from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine are the co-hosts for this meeting. The meeting will be November 12-16, 2007 at the Francis Marion Hotel located in the heart of historic Charleston. This meeting will take place during the week as opposed to over a weekend to take advantage of lower room rates--$149 per night!

On a personal note, I have recently announced my plans to retire at the end of July. While my official retirement date is August 24, 2006, I plan to take vacation the month of August. Thus, during the last 2 ½ months of my term as Chapter Chair, I will be able to devote more time to the business of the Chapter--without my real job getting in the way! Even though I will be retired, I plan to stay active in the Chapter. I am looking forward to seeing you all in Atlanta and hopefully at many more chapter meetings.

Looking towards Atlanta in Song Contest!
See page 20 for details.

TENNESSEE

University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center Library

Five of the UTHSC librarians presented at the MLA annual meeting in Phoenix:

Brenda F. Green and **Lin Wu** - "Transforming Pharmacy Student Workshops: Program Overview and Evaluation"

Richard Nollan - "Gloom Impenetrable: The Letters of William J. Armstrong"

Tom Singarella and **Lois Bellamy** - "An Overview of Institutional Repositories: Issues and Questions for Medical Libraries"

Priscilla Stephenson and **Lin Wu** presented "Tips for a Successful Computer Training Program for Seniors" at the Tennessee Library Association annual meeting on April 6. Others presenting included their co-trainers for the WebHealth for Seniors project, **Jan Orick** and **Gloria Hayden** (St. Jude Children's Research Hospital), **Mary Virginia Taylor** (VA Medical Center, Memphis), and **Mary Freilich** (University of Memphis).

New Web Design for UTHSC Health Sciences Library

The University of Tennessee Health Sciences Library and Biocommunications Center unveiled their newly redesigned web site at http://library.utmem.edu/. The culmination of nearly a year of work, the new web site features an entirely new design, easy access to the library's most popular resources, and a simplified site structure that makes locating information within the site easier and more intuitive.

Retirements from the Library - Colleagues We Will Miss

UTHSC is losing three longtime library faculty members this June. Each has been here many years and will be sorely missed.

Lois Bellamy, MS, MS or MS^2 is retiring from the Health Sciences Library after 20 years of service. She joined the UT faculty in 1985 as a librarian in Stollerman Library, the clinical branch library in the Coleman Building. Two years later she moved to the main library in order to manage the library's automation projects and to convert the library to the electronic era.

During her first 10 years, she coordinated the implementation of Georgetown University's library information system (LIS), installed networked versions of bibliographic databases, installed the Ariel document delivery system, helped create and maintain

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an electronic classroom for use in library instruction, and helped develop and maintain the library's first Web pages.

The last 10 years of her tenure at UT have been dominated by the rise of the World Wide Web. During this period, she migrated various library systems to web-based systems accessible through a web browser. She also managed the library's migration from print to online journals. Growth in online resources also resulted in growth in her department. She leaves the department managing three FTE, two working with electronic resources, and one managing the library's web site.

Lois' background in the Stollerman Library has kept her focused on meeting library consumers' needs for information resources in the simplest, quickest possible manner. To that end, she has always searched for better ways to improve the delivery of electronic information and to expedite the processing of library materials.

Lois holds two M.S. degrees, a degree in biology from the University of Delaware (1972) and the other in library and information science from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana (1984). She previously worked in biological research laboratories carrying out experiments and monitoring the current scientific literature. As a true scientist, she has been our library go-to person for all our basic science questions. Lois was honored by the local Sigma Xi Society in 1996 for her outstanding service in support of research scientists. In retirement, she and her husband, John Silver, will be moving to Washington state to live on the Olympic Peninsula where they are in the last stages of building a house. She plans to be gardening, quilting, writing, and working as a volunteer with a Peninsula wild flower group.

John Silver, DVM, MCS, has also been at UT for some 20 years. A veterinarian by training, John returned to graduate school for computer science training and shifted his career to instructional media. He came to the library in 1992 as Coordinator of the Multimedia Laboratory. The Media Lab was designed to assist students using non-print media, such as videotapes placed on reserve by faculty members. He designed carrels for computers so that students could use computer-based instruction and digitize printed material.

John has worked closely with various teaching faculty to create new digitized instruction. He developed a new area of the lab in 2001 to serve as a Digital Media Workshop, where faculty and researchers can digitize slides and video. With John's expertise and assistance, there are now videos of medical residency programs on the Internet, old PowerPoint presentations have been recreated as DVDs, and dated videos have been given new life on the Web. John is especially pleased of the work he accomplished with **Ann Bell** to digitize the photomicrographs used in the sixth and seventh editions of Dr. Diggs' work, *The Morphology of Human Blood Cells*.

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Anne Carroll Bunting, MSLS, is retiring from the library after 40 years of service. She came to UT's Mooney Library in 1966 with her new Master of Science in Library Science degree from UNC-Chapel Hill. She had previously received the Medical Library Association's Medical Librarianship Certification and was later named a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals.

While Anne Carroll has had a distinguished career at UT, she may be most missed for her incredible memory of people and events! She originally was a part of the library's medical bibliography teaching team for students in medicine, pharmacy, and dentistry. She also taught for the National Library of Medicine Post-Graduate Training Program for Science Librarians hosted at UT between 1968 and 1970. In this program, a library trainee was assigned to a campus faculty member to handle all the bibliographic research in his area. Several of these trainees are now library directors and leaders in our professional association.

Anne Carroll was Acting Head Librarian in 1971 and then Head of Technical and Public Services. From 1972 to the present, she has been the Head of Technical Services, or Collection Management Coordinator as the title has evolved. She recalls that librarians received faculty status in 1972. Since July 1987, her academic title has been Associate Professor of Library Science.

Anne Carroll notes that it was former Head Librarian **Irene Jones** who supervised the beginning of automation when the first serials holdings list was prepared using key punch cards. Paper print outs of those cards were later condensed into books for easy handling. She says, "We thought we were really automated when we got a TWX machine to order and receive interlibrary loan requests."

Both Anne Carroll and Lois have been active in the Southern Chapter and John taught continuing education classes at the Greenville meeting in 1999 and at MLA in 2000.

Alumni Board Recognizes Martha Earl as 2006 Distinguished Alumni

The School of Information Sciences Alumni Board honored Martha Earl with the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award. SIS Alumni Board President Margaret Casado announced the award at the SIS Alumni & Friends Day, March 11, at the university's McClung Museum. Earl, a 1985 graduate, is Reference Coordinator at the UT Preston Medical Library in Knoxville. To read more about it, go to:
http://www.sis.utk.edu/alumni/news/marthaearl

UTHSC Library Survey Draws 1311 Responses

A total of 1311 people responded to the library's survey, which was conducted December 5-19, 2005. The survey asked 28 questions about respondents' use of the library and how

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they felt about the library's facility, collection, services, and communications. The majority of patrons reported visiting the library's online resources once a week, with many faculty visiting daily. Summary data is available online at: http://library.utmem.edu/survey/summary.html The new issue of INFOnews, the library's newsletter, features a preliminary report on results of the library's survey: http://library.utmem.edu/HSLBC/News/INFOnews11_3_2006.pdf.

New Student Break Room and Library Conference Room Inaugurated

In response to student requests, UTHSC Library Director Tom Singarella led the effort to carve out space for a student lounge area in the library. Richard Nollan chaired a student committee to transform the library's former conference room with comfortable seating, a coffee pot, and a small refrigerator – all supplied with funds from the campus student organization. The library's main floor photocopy room was refitted as a conference room, and the copiers from that area have been relocated to the library's current journal display area. The conference room will now provide a larger space for meetings and small classes where our wireless laptops can be used for instruction.

Short News Bits

- **Lin Wu** served as a table facilitator for Shaping America's Youth Town Meeting, January 21, 2006, an event attended by some 1000 Memphians concerned about the childhood obesity epidemic.
- **Brenda Green, Lin Wu,** and **Richard Nollan** have written about the development of the library's web tutorial. "Web Tutorials: Bibliographic Instruction in a New Medium" appeared in Medical References Services Quarterly 2006; 25(1):81-89.
- **Lin Wu, Laura Blalock, Kay Cunningham, Matt Grayson,** and **Priscilla Stephenson** published a report on development of the web site to accompany the WebHealth for Seniors project. "Wiring Seniors to Quality Health Information," appears in the Journal of Consumer Health Information, 2006;10(2):11-24.
- **Lin Wu** was a co-presenter with **Ping Li** at the ALISE conference January 17, 2006, in San Antonio. Their poster, "Evidence-Based Medicine and the Expected Roles of Health Sciences Librarians," reported on research aided by the Southern Chapter's 2005 Research Project Grant.

PDA Symposium and Exhibit Fair

The University of Tennessee Health Science Center library recently hosted the 2006 PDA Symposium and Exhibit Fair using funds from a Technology Award from the National Network/Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern/Atlantic Region.

The four-hour event included a keynote address, two concurrent sessions, and exhib-

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its fair. **Scott Strayer, MD, MPH**, Department of Family Medicine, University of Virginia Health System, delivered the keynote address, "Clinical Decision Making in Three Minutes or Less: Using PDAs to Practice Information Mastery at the Point of Care." Dr. Strayer is an internationally recognized expert in handheld technology applications in clinical care.

In addition to clinicians and other health professionals, members of the local fire, police, and emergency management agencies also registered to attend a concurrent session on WISER, the National Library of Medicine's Wireless Information System for Emergency Responders. WISER is a comprehensive database system specifically designed for operational use during emergency incidents involving hazardous materials.
Rounding out the symposium was a second concurrent session presented by S. Andrew (Andy) Spooner, MD, MS, FAAP, that addressed clinical applications accessible by using handheld computers. His interactive session, "Palmtop Patient Care," included demonstrations of many of the applications discussed in his presentation.

An exhibits fair was a special feature of the symposium. In addition to the NN/LM SE/A, other vendors included J.W. Wiley and Sons, Unbound Medicine, and Elsevier.
The symposium was well attended, and evaluations showed the presentations and vendors were very well received. A symposium booklet, available for loan, can serve as a resource guide to libraries that are considering planning a similar event. To request the booklet, send an e-mail to the planning committee chair, Brenda F. Green, at bfgreen@utmem.edu. In addition to Brenda, the following library staff served on the planning committee: **David Armbruster, Jasmine Bagay, Steve Golanka, Matt Grayson, Gwen Jackson, Richard Nollan, Priscilla Stephenson and Maggie White**. **Tom Singarella**, library director, provided oversight and added special touches such as preparing several baked items including a loaf of homemade bread and by providing exquisite serving pieces.

More News from Tennessee

THeSLA Meets in Memphis

The Tennessee Health Science Librarians (THeSLA) met in Memphis on April 5 for a dinner event following a half-day workshop: "Searching CINAHL via EBSCOhost," taught by Ellen Westling. At the Tennessee Library Association meeting on April 6-7, several members presented papers, including Virginia Cairns (formerly with Erlanger Medical Center, Chattanooga), Jan Haley (St.Thomas Hospital, Nashville), Jan Orick and Gloria Hayden (St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis), Mary Virginia Taylor (VA Medical Center Library, Memphis), and Priscilla Stephenson and Lin Wu (UTHSC, Memphis).

Tennessee library leaders participated in two meetings designed to assess and improve access to health information for citizens of Tennessee. The NNLM funded project: "Tennessee Outreach State Planning Team" accomplished the development, distribution and analysis of a statewide needs assessment on health information. This was accomplished

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using separate surveys for health consumers, health care providers and librarians. The goal of the surveys and the subsequent meeting was to identify existing resources/services and key stakeholders in the state for future partnerships and collaborations. Based on the needs assessment, the team developed a plan, which included more marketing of Medline Plus and PubMed, offering training to public librarians through the regional library system on finding health information, encouraging TennShare to include workshops on health information, stronger affiliation with health care professionals' associations, and seeking additional funding to enable libraries to offer free full text article to health professionals. The team will seek funding in order to continue to meet to move forward on these initiatives. Team members include **Sandy Oelschlegel, Project Leader; Martha Earl, Priscilla Stephenson, Jan Haley, Rick Wallace, Suresh Ponnappa, Susan Earl, Willa Reister, Linda Phillips, John Chapman,** and **Kay Due.**

NCLIS Announces 2006 Health Awards State Winners

On March 24, the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) announced the state winners for the 2006 NCLIS Health Information Awards for Libraries. The Awards are designed to encourage library programs that address one or more of the following: dietary choices; exercise; smoking cessation; alcohol and/or drug abuse prevention or cessation; immunizations and health screenings; and improved health literacy, that is, the ability to understand and make use of health information. In each state, a panel of judges selected the state winners based on how well the program encouraged lifestyle improvement among the target population, the program's adaptability, collaboration with other community organizations, and how successfully the program was able to reach out to people with low information literacy skills.

Most of the winning programs have partners and collaborators who contribute significantly to fulfilling their mission. The names of the primary libraries/information delivery programs and organizations from the Southern Chapter are:

- Florida Healthy Connections, Orange County Library System
- Mississippi Consumer Health Education Center, Rowland Medical Library, University of Mississippi Medical Center
- South Carolina REACH 2010 Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition's Library Partnership
- Tennessee Health Information Center, Memphis Public Library

On behalf of the Commission, **Dr. Beth Fitzsimmons**, Chairman, extends her hearty congratulations to every one of these state winners!

The NCLIS Health Information Task Force has chosen Memphis Health Information Center

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(HIC) as one of the ten finalists in the 2006 Health Awards competition. Staff from Memphis Public Library traveled to Bethesda, Maryland to participate in the Health Information Forum at the National Library of Medicine (NLM) on May 3, 2006. **Martha Earl** chaired the state committee that judged the 2006 entries. UT Preston Medical Library was the 2005 NCLIS Blue Ribbon Consumer Health Library winner.

- Gateway Medical Center to Open in Clarksville

Gateway Health System and Triad Hospitals, Inc. announced that they have signed a definitive agreement to form a joint venture (JV) to own and operate Gateway Medical Center in Clarksville, Tennessee. The transaction calls for an affiliate of Triad to oversee operations at the hospital's current location on Madison Street and obligates the JV to build a new 270-bed medical facility in Clarksville within five years. **Marty Pedigo** is the librarian at Gateway. Marty also reports that one of the Gateway pet therapy dogs has just been inducted into the Tennessee Animal Hall of Fame.

- CHIPS

Jan Haley, **Martha Pedigo**, **Amy Gideon,** and **Marilyn Teolis** presented during the poster session at the 2006 Tennessee Library Association annual conference held in April in Memphis. The title of their session was "CHIPS: Helping Our Communities Make Informed Health Choices." CHIPS is a six-member Middle Tennessee Health Sciences Library consortium whose first project involved developing consumer health information training programs and resources. The group's use of creative marketing, resource sharing, and partnership development produced positive results toward its goal of empowering Middle Tennesseans to make better health choices.

- St. Jude Children's Reseach Hospital

Jan Orick, St. Jude Children's Reseach Hospital, has a busy year ahead. She was re-elected to another 2-year term as Treasurer of the MLA Hospital Libraries Section and was selected to serve on MLA's The Vital Pathways Document Task Force. Jan was also invited to participate in a Publisher's Focus Group at MLA sponsored by MLA, the MLA Scholarly Publishing Task Force, and the Society for Scholarly Publishing. In Tennessee,

Looking towards Atlanta in Song Contest:
The first person to email the correct Song, Artist/Performer, Album, and Year of release for the following three lyrics wins the Big Prize package:

1."The boys are thirsty in Atlanta and there's beer in Texarkana..."

2. "Oh Atlanta, I hear you calling, I'm coming back to you one fine day"

3. "Well you can drop me off on Peachtree, I got to feel that Georgia sun"

Email answers to: jbb42@uab.edu

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she is representing the interests of special libraries as a member of the Tennessee Advisory Council for Libraries and has been appointed to the committee that will work on the new RFP for the contract for the Tennessee Electronic Library.

UTHSC Honors Retirees

On June 28, the UT Health Sciences Library and Biocommunications Center held a reception for Lois Bellamy, Coordinator of Library Electronic Services (>20 years of service), Anne Carroll Bunting, Coordinator of Library Collection Development (40 years of service), and Dr. John Silver, Coordinator of the Library Multimedia Lab (>20 years of service).

New Member Spotlight: Amanda Bayer

Amanda Bayer is one of the newest members of the Southern Chapter Medical Librarian Association (SC/MLA). She grew up all over the country; her father was a project manager for power plants, which caused them to move.

Mandy has lived in Virginia Beach, Colorado, Bay City, Texas, and Roxboro, North Carolina. She went to school at the University of South Carolina (USC) in Columbia where she received a Masters In Comparative Literature (MA) and a Masters in Library and Information Sciences (MLIS). Amanda works for Northeast Georgia Health System (NGHS) and Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC). She says that the librarians at USC influenced her to become a librarian. Her new job entails managing the NGHS library and educating people about resources that the library offers. She is also the Webmaster at Foothills AHEC. Mandy says that if she were not at her current job, she would either be a nurse practitioner or a certified nurse midwife. Mandy said that working with and teaching people about the resources at the library is the best part of her job. When asked if she would change anything about her job, she said that she wishes she had a couple of library assistants to help so that she could conduct more outreach programs. Please join us in welcoming another new member to the chapter.

Submitted by:
Ashley Howard, rising junior at Central High School, Memphis City Schools.
2006 Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Summer Intern
UTHSC Health Sciences Library

News from Chapter Council

MLA in Phoenix was a hot bed (a dry heat) of Transformation. Committee meetings, vendors, CEs, papers and posters, plenary speakers, and the chance to see old friends, make new ones, and enjoy life in the great southwest, made it a memorable conference. Here are some of the Chapter Council highlights from our meeting, held on Saturday, May 20.

The Chapter Council Committee meeting was attended by both of us as well as **Sarah Gable**, the current Chapter Council Chair, and **Jan LaBeause**, the out-going (in oh so many ways) Chapter Council Representative. Reports were given by MLA President **M.J.Tooey**, new President **Jean Shipman** (2006-7), President Elect **Mark Funk**, and MLA Executive Director **Carla Funk**.

Dates for future MLA meetings:

2007 – Philadelphia, PA, May 18-23, 2007
2008 – Chicago, IL
2009 – Honolulu, HI
2010 – Washington, DC

Chapter Council Presents Sharing Roundtables was once again a huge success! Chaired by **Jan LaBeause**, 53 tables were set to accommodate 379 attendees engaged in lively discussions of 30 topics.

Again this year, 'free seats' were donated by many chapters and MLA (29 in all) and made available on a first come, first serve basis to all new members who registered online. 'Free seaters' were in attendance at all but one roundtable topic. **Sarah Gable** has again encouraged all chapters to sponsor free tickets at next year's roundtables.

Southern Chapter contributed $50.00 toward supporting the free seats for first-time attendees, which actually paid for more than 2 seats.

This was Jan's last year as Chair of the Roundtable event. Jan has served on the committee for 6 years and has been chair or co-chair for the past 3 years. Next year's Roundtable Committee for 2007 will be chaired by **Marie Reidelbach**, from Midcontinental Chapter.

Diane Rourke was elected as one of the Chapter Council's nominees for the MLA Nominating Committee.

Sarah is beginning her last year as Chapter Council Chair. The new chair-elect is **Paula Raimondo**, from the Mid-Atlantic Chapter.

Jan rotated off as Chapter Council Representative. **Danny O'Neal** will become the new rep and **Jane Bridges** will assume duties as the alternate.

Danny served on the Elections/Nominating Committee and substituted at the Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee (ad hoc) meeting.

Plans are finalized for our joint meeting with MAC in Atlanta, October 12-16, 2006. Together: New Horizons, New Opportunities. A site link is available from the SC/MLA homepage or go to http://www.hsl.ecu.edu/2006/.

The Southern Chapter cookbook is still available for purchase, but stocks are getting very low. Time is running out to get your copy!

- Submitted by Danny O'Neal and Jane Bridges

Research Spotlight

Report on Articles in JMLA by Authors in the SC/MLA States

According to the Medical Library Association website, the Journal of the Medical Library Association is "an international, peer-reviewed journal published quarterly that aims to advance the practice and research knowledgebase of health sciences librarianship" (http://www.mlanet.org/publications/jmla/index.html).

In 1922, the Medical Library Association began publishing its own journal, the Bulletin of the Medical Library Association, and in 2002, the name of the journal was changed to the Journal of the Medical Library Association (JMLA).

How many articles or papers have been published in JMLA by authors in the SC/MLA states? In order to answer this question, a search was conducted of JMLA in the PubMed Central Archives (http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/) for articles, symposia, and brief communications produced by authors from the geographic area covered by the SC/MLA for the years 2002-2006. Items in Comment and Opinion, Letters to the Editor, and Reviews were not included, and it was assumed that the JMLA contents listed in PMC were accurate and complete. Of the 257 relevant items listed in PMC during this timeframe, 28 (11%) were produced by 47 writers from SC/MLA states.

It is noteworthy to mention two regular contributors to JMLA from SC/MLA states that are not included in the list below: "Editorials" by T. Scott Plutchak, University of Alabama at Birmingham and a regular feature, "Historical Notes," by History Editor Carolyn E. Lipscomb of Atlanta, Georgia.

Most of the articles were collaborative: only five of the articles (18%) were produced by a single author, while 23 (82%) were produced by two or more authors. By state, authors in Florida contributed 9 articles (32%); authors in Tennessee, 7 articles (25%); Georgia, 6 articles (21%); Alabama, 4 articles (14%); South Carolina, 1 article (4%), and one collaborative article that included authors in South Florida and Tennessee.

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South Carolina

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2. Andrews, James E., PhD, Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Science, University of South Florida
3. Arriaga, Joaquin, M.L.S., Director for Reference and Education Services, Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami School of Medicine
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5. Burrows, Suzetta, MS, Deputy Director, Louis Calder Memorial Library, Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami
6. Bush, Amy, MS, Communications Services, Y-12 National Security Complex, Oak Ridge, Tennessee
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8. Casey, Michael A., Ph.D., Associate Professor of Anatomy, Course Director, Medical Gross Anatomy School of Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham
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10. Dee, Cheryl, PhD, Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Science, University of South Florida
11. Druss, Benjamin G., MD, MPH, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

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13. Flannery, Michael A., M.L.S., M.A., Associate Director for Historical Collections, Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham
14. Giuse, Nunzia Bettinsoli, MD, MLS, Library Director, Professor of Biomedical Informatics, Eskind Biomedical Library, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville
15. Grady, Jenifer L., M.L.I.S., Special Projects Librarian, Eskind Biomedical Library, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville
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25. Miyamoto, Michael M., Ph.D., Professor and Associate Chair, Department of Zoology, University of Florida, Gainesville
26. Moore, Kelly, M.A.M.S., M.B.A., Coordinator for Health Informatics Education, Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami School of Medicine
27. Nagy, Suzanne P., M.S.L.S., AHIP, Technical Services Librarian, Medical Library College of Medicine, Florida State University, Tallahassee
28. Nelson, Roxanne M., R.N., M.S.L.I.S., AHIP, Assistant Director for Public Services, Medical Library & Peyton Anderson Learning Resources Center, Mercer University School of Medicine, Macon, Georgia
29. Ottoson, Judith M., EdD, Associate Professor, Institute of Public Health, Georgia State University, Atlanta
30. Parker, Ruth, MD, FACP, Professor, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia
31. Paulaitis, Gediminas, B.S.N., M.B.A., Systems Specialist, Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami
32. Roper, Fred W., AHIP, FMLA, Dean Emeritus, School of Library and Information Science, University of South Carolina, Columbia
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"A library is the delivery room for the birth of ideas, a place where history comes to life." Norman Cousins

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Research Spotlight:
Current Research in the Chapter

Karen Roth of Morton Plant Mease Health Care in Clearwater, FL and **Thomas Hill** of Self Regional Healthcare in Greenwood, SC are collaborating on a three-phase project. They presented phase one at SC/MLA in San Juan and have now completed phase two. Phase two validates the information in the first phase of their research, i.e., that it takes about 24 hours to receive an electronic ILL. Karen reports that she and Thomas plan to begin phase three this summer/fall. During phase three, they plan to determine whether the 24-hour turnaround time is useful to library customers and useful for patient care. Karen adds, "In phase three we want to put a URL tag for a survey (using software like Survey Monkey) to ask the library customer three or four questions on the speed and usefulness of the information the customer receives." Karen and Thomas will then compile and analyze their information.

Cathy Schell of Earleton, FL reports that her company, Medical Decisions Software, Inc., completed its SBIR (Small Business Innovation Research) on triage documentation and that a brief report based on that SBIR has been accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of American Journal of Emergency Medicine.

Kay Hogan Smith, Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, reports that an article by UAB authors **T. Scott Plutchak, Sondra Pfeiffer, Michael Fitts** and herself along with University of Texas HSC at San Antonio authors **Rajia Tobia** and **Lynda Howell** is currently in press by Serials Review. The article is titled, "Copyright Knowledge of Faculty at Two Academic Health Science Campuses: Results of a Survey."

Jennifer Watson, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, TN, is writing a book chapter tentatively titled: "Preservation Concerns in the E-resource Environment." The chapter is an expansion of the journal article she wrote in 2005, "You get what you pay for? Archival access to electronic journals" for Serials Review, 31(3). Her book chapter will be published in Haworth Series in Serials and Continuing Resources: Making the Transition from Paper to Electronic Journals and Resources by Maria Collins, Serials Librarian, North Carolina State University Libraries and Patrick Carr, Assistant Professor/Serials Librarian, Mississippi State University Libraries.

In addition, as a Special Libraries representative to TENN-SHARE, a library resource sharing group in Tennessee, Jennifer facilitated a "Table Talk" discussion at the Tennessee Library Association conference on April 7. Librarians serving non-profit, for-profit, and academic libraries were invited to attend Jennifer's session addressing the marketing of library services.

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"The city of Atlanta has always had a good spirit."
Ivan Allen

Epistulary Issues: Retirement Words

Dear Southern Chapter,

I will be retiring from the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Library on June 30, 2006 after 40 years, primarily in the technical services area.

Looking back through the Southern Chapter history and earlier, I notice that most of my meetings were during the early years and I have a memory from each one. My first meeting was in Winston-Salem, NC in 1966. Others were Augusta, GA in 1967, Houston, 1970, Nashville, 1971, Charleston, SC, 1972, Memphis, 1973, Atlanta, 1974, Shreveport, 1976, Jackson, MS, 1978, Memphis, 1979, New Orleans, 1980, Jackson, MS, 1991, Birmingham, 1993, Mobile, 2000, and Biloxi, 2004. These were fun meetings but you learned a lot. I am glad I got to know the old guard, William Postell, Sr., M. Irene Jones, Myrl Ebert, John Ische, Al Brandon, Marie Harvin, Mayo Drake, Dorothy Long, Mary Trammell, Irene Graham, Sadie Rainsford, Rose Hogan, Omer Hamlin, Jr., Mildred Crowe Langner, Sarah Brown, Leonard Eddy, Martha Jane Zachert, Dot Mueller, Blondell Strong, Ann Macomber, Miriam Libbey, Eloise Foster, Mark Hodges, John and Bill Majors and Al McClendon, Sr. I think most of these are gone now, but they did know how to have fun. I think the philosophy was "Work Hard—Play Hard." To those of you who never met them, you missed a great group. I've enjoyed meeting my contemporaries and participating in committee work over the years. Keep up the good work.

I am looking forwarding to being able to go to water exercise three mornings a week, gardening at my condo, traveling and working as a volunteer.

Sincerely,

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Dear Nancy,

On behalf of the members of the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association, it is with great pleasure that I write to offer congratulations and best wishes for your retirement on June 30, 2006.

Your contributions in the 25+ years you have been a member of Southern Chapter have greatly contributed to our success. In this time, you have held every elected office possible, which is a true testament of the high esteem to which the members of the chapter hold you. When not holding an elected office, you have been involved with many committees, often serving as committee chair. The chapter has truly benefited from your leadership.

Most recently the chapter is indebted to you for your help in finding a new home for the Chapter archives. Your understanding of the importance of preserving the history of the chapter has been a real asset.

In addition to your direct service to the chapter, you have also been a voice for us through your service to the Medical Library Association, serving on the MLA Board of Directors, MLA Chapter Council, and chairing many MLA committees. Through your professional service, you have been a great role model and mentor for many librarians.

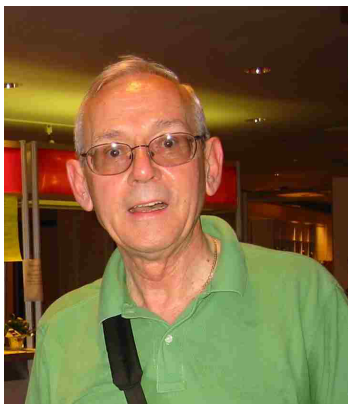
Nancy, we offer you our most heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for the future. While we will miss you, we know that you and Ron will certainly enjoy your leisure time together.

Sincerely,

Pam Neumann
Chair, Southern Chapter/MLA

Special Tribute: Remembering Mark Hodges

by The Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association



Mark at one of many MLA meetings

Many thanks to those who submitted their stories about Mark Hodges. His presence made any occasion more genteel, and possibly challenging, and any group simultaneously more jovial and serious. Marcia Epelbaum submitted the link to the lovely biography provided by the Eskind Biomedical Library to honor T. Mark Hodges: http://www.mc.vanderbilt.edu/sc_diglib/hodges.html
--Martha Earl, compiler

1,000 TIMES RIGHT and 1 MISTAKE

Mark was almost always drafted into the role of guru of Bylaws, author of documents of proclamation, and master of getting things right. We are always relived that he'd tackle the tough jobs and he was pleased to lend his expertise.

However, there was a note of comic relief during a very jumbled November 1987 Annual Meeting of Consortium of Southern Biomedical Libraries (CONBLS) in Tampa, a day or two after a near miss by a Tropical Depression/Hurricane that crossed the Florida Keys and went up the West Coast. When Ted Srygley, CONBLS President handed the meeting, and the Presidency, over to Mark Hodges the Vice President. Mark smiled, made a few closing remarks, and concluded the meeting. It was pointed out directly afterwards, after nearly all were gone, that the Vice President, according to our By-Laws, was NOT President Elect. Mark, of course, was horrified. It was one of a very few times in 30 years of librarianship that Mark wasn't right-on-target with how things were to be done. He was one of the authors of the Bylaws! And he always helped us get it right, through years of bungling around in CONBLS, SC/MLA and MLA. So, he realized that he wasn't really the President.

He simply didn't know what to do. I pointed out; however, from a practical point of view, we the members didn't know it was wrong. And, we were all delighted when he took the gavel.
Fabricated Minutes (to save the Monarchy) indicated that the since the membership, knew the Vice President wasn't the President Elect, the "group immediately 'elected' Mark by acclamation. And we certainly would have done that had anyone remained in the room other than Mark and I. Anyway thanks for serving Mark. You were always a good guy and you were certainly a great President of CONBLS.
--Tom Basler

Mark was so important to me throughout my career, but never more so than when I first became director at Emory. Not only did he welcome me into CONBLS, but he was always available for a consultation on matters large or small. Nothing chapter-wise scared me more than serving as Parliamentarian when Mark was in the audience, as his parliamentary expertise was untouchable. And nothing gave me more pleasure than participating in the "roast" in his honor at the Puerto Rico meeting in 1995. Dressed in a raincoat, I hoped to trick him into thinking I would do a "strip-tease" as Ada had done for Ted Srygley a few years earlier. I don't think he was fooled, and I didn't strip, but we had a lot of fun anyway!
--Carol Burns

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My comments will certainly not be unique.... but to me Mark Hodges was the quintessential gentleman of our Association. I did not really know him as well as others did - we were more acquaintances. However, I respected him greatly as a leader, appreciated his knowledge and diplomacy, and most of all - loved to hear his hearty laugh. The profession has lost a kind soul with a very generous heart who always stepped forward without being asked.
--Pat Clark

My memories of the roast in PR focus on that photographic moment of Mark trying to fit into the jacket that was so much too small for him!
--Nedra Cook

When my son was young, I took him to most of the Chapter meetings that I attended and even to MLA a couple of times. Some people think you are just not quite right if you bring your children.

On two different occasions, Mark & Judith made it their business to hike with us, once on Tybee Island and once up in Nashville. Mark just took Joey under his wing. Ever after, whenever I saw or communicated with them, Judith always asked after him, which was kind.
--Marilee Creelan

Actually,it was Judith I met first when we were on the NY Hosp. Assn. Library Board. Judith was at the MA Hosp Assn Library and Mark was at the RMLP at the Countway in the late 60's. Our paths crossed again when we both moved South to be involved in the RMLP at Emory,AAHSLD,and Irwin Pizer's SUNY Biomedical Communications Network's Boards.The latter for which we braved Northern Winters to attend the meetings!

When doting grandfather Mark visited Estonia, he returned with some coins for me! Not only did Mark dote on Seth and Fiona but was also a doting parent to Sarah and Thomas. Miriam Libbey used to tell us of Mark's delight in the telling of their antics. He also served in the British Army Occupation Force in Egypt and when an Egyptian Librarian came to Atlanta for a Southern Chapter Meeting, Mark was, as always, willing to "pitch in". Mark always kept me in the information "loop" and corrected my English and punctuation with his usual British grace ,charm and sense of humor .
--Marcia Davidoff

Mark has been a friend and mentor throughout my career. Mark was always the first or one of the first to congratulate those in Southern Chapter who distinguished themselves with awards, offices, etc. I remember with such fondness his wonderful hospitality whenever I was in Nashville, whether that was teaching a consortium workshop for SERMLP (Southeastern Regional Medical Library Program) or simply coming to Vanderbilt for a visit. I also remember with such admiration

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Mark's amazing command of the English language. Whenever there was a question about the proper manner in which to express a thought or concept, Mark was the one to whom we took the question. His beautiful and distinguished English accent was always such a treat to hear. He had a wonderful sense of humor and at the same time was one of the most gracious Southern gentlemen born in England one could ever meet.
--Linda Garr

Mark Hodges was a thoroughly British transplant who brought all the best of the Mother Country to his new country, and made our lives better in the process. In addition to his many professional contributions, Mark will also be remembered for his inimitable readings of "A Christmas Carol" for the Nashville Public Library's Radio Reading Service. His voice, his demeanor, his unimpeachable character--we will miss them all. Our sympathy to Judith and the children, no longer children, who happened to attend the University School of Nashville with my two children, who will also be saddened by this news.
--Ed Gleaves

Mark was my oldest friend in MLA. I originally met him when I worked at the Countway Library at Harvard in Boston in 1965. He was circulation librarian and I was a student working for the summer in between getting my BA and going to library school. There were three of us working there - the staff called us the girls from Syracuse (the University we all attended). We kept touch over the years and always remember our contacts as having a language or grammatical context. When I took the position at the World Health Organization Mark sent me a card that said "Congratulations. Enjoy your Helvetian Holiday" It was my first introduction to the word helvetian/ helvetic which means Swiss.

When I returned to the United States five years later, I took the position of Executive Director of the Regional Medical Library Services (now NN/LM) at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. It came to pass that I had to write a letter to all the directors of resource libraries in Region 2. Mark was one of them. Imagine my horror when he returned my letter with red marks all over it where I had made grammatical or typographic errors. There was also a lengthy exposition on the proper use of "e.g. or IE". Somewhere I still have that letter so I won't forget. I miss Mark, his wit and his passion for libraries and librarians. We are all richer for having known him.
--Faith Meakin

L-R, Judith Hodges, Ada Seltzer, Pat Higginbottom, and Mark Hodges relax at an annual SC/MLA meeting.

My first memory of Mark was when he was the RML Director and I was a graduate assistant at Emory's AW Calhoun Library. One evening, I was doing my reference homework while manning the Circulation Desk. Mark walked through as I was reshelving the heavy tomes of Cumulated Index Medicus and praised me for my for cleaning up after myself; he said it was an indicator that I would do well in our profession. One did not have to be a VIP to be noticed by Mark, a trait that endeared him to many.
--Mary Fran Prottsman

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Mark was one of a kind, with that signature handshake and gracious greeting, always the gentleman, knowledgeable, kind, and generous. That wonderful British accent of his might have made him seem officious and omniscient, and certainly on many levels he was! I first met him at a Southern Chapter meeting in Houston, 1970, and we realized this was the first Southern chapter meeting for us both. He had recently relocated to Emory, and I was beginning my career at MUSC in Charleston. I got to know him better over the next couple of years while he was presiding over the Southeastern Regional Medical Library Program's meetings, prior to his moving to Vanderbilt. I always enjoyed our interaction, and felt like I learned something of value from him each time we talked. More than a mentor, he became a good friend over the years. When the Southern Chapter/MLA meeting was hosted by Vanderbilt in 1986, the banquet entertainment was provided by "Riders in the Sky" and held in the Country Music Hall of Fame. Mark took to the dance floor, drawn by that western rhythm, and we decided then and there that the "T" in "T. Mark" stood for "Tumbleweed." He had hidden talents!

Before Ken and I were married in 1990, Mark mailed us a card with an English sixpence coin to fulfill the traditional wedding phrase: "Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue, and a sixpence in her shoe..." Needless to say, this was a unique gift, and I did indeed put the lucky sixpence in my shoe!

I, too, appreciated the opportunity to participate in Mark's "roast" in Puerto Rico in 1995. I think he enjoyed the stories and humor from the "Mark-ettes," all of us in Oxford cloth shirts buttoned to the neck, ties, trousers.... With his remarkable memory, knowledge, and attention to detail, Mark gave the Chapter its Fifty Year History. We'll remember him for that, and much, much more. Thank you, Mark!
-- Anne Robichaux

Mark Hodges and I shared the same birthdate June 18th (along with another famous Brit, Sir Paul McCartney). It was an "accidental finding" during my interview for a position at Vanderbilt in the early 90s. I didn't get the job but I always got special birthday wishes from Mark almost every year, as well as encouragement for my choral activities which took me to England, singing in many cathedrals. It was always so nice to have his encouragement and support as well as his charming, witty, literate emails. Most of all, I just miss him.
--Diane Rourke

Mark Hodges: Thanks for the Memories

Mark Hodges was one of the first and finest people I met when I entered the medical library field in earnest as a new library director. Susan Selig introduced me to Mark at a Southern Chapter meeting, and he took me under his wing and proceeded to introduce me to just about everyone in the room at the time. He went out of his way to make me feel welcome, and over the years I came to know him and his lovely wife, Judith. Mark was the consummate gentleman, always wearing a nicely tailored jacket and tie, as his sense of propriety would never allow him to appear underdressed for a SC/MLA or MLA function. I recall meetings of SC/MLA that I attended, hosting an annual meeting in Memphis, and then chairing the association. Mark could always be counted on in the annual business meeting to shoot his hand up when parliamentary

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procedure wasn't being followed, and he did so with tongue in cheek, as he realized this was expected of him. He enjoyed the sense of history of SC/MLA and MLA and contributed in many meaningful ways to that history.

I had the honor of being included in a couple of his dinner outings and enjoyed in particular a dinner with him, Bob Braude, spouses, and others during which Bob's wit drew loud chuckles from Mark. He had a fabulous sense of humor and enjoyed the humor of others, and loved to revel in the camaraderie of his colleagues and friends. He loved his wife and children and would often tell stories about them, how he met Judith, what his kids were doing. He defined an era during his time as director of the Vanderbilt medical library, and I believe, had a positive influence on most of the people in our profession.

It struck my heart a blow when I learned of Mark's passing. Visions of him in coat and tie and smile continue to raise images in my mind, and I still hear his crisp British accent. As yet another e-message comes across my screen about Mark, I find myself reflecting. I could go on, and on, but there's only so much space.

Here's looking at you, Mark.
--Tom Singarella

A favorite is the one in front of the lake. It reminds me of a hiking adventure, "The Radnor Lake Ramble," for which he was our fearless leader. I seem to remember that a few of the group wandered from the approved path and were "lost" temporarily. But, in the end, we all had a wonderful time because we were with Mark and finally ended up together again! Pam Neumann and Sandra Canham and others will also remember the day.
--Nancy W. Clemmons

Nancy Clemmons and Mark at the Radnor Lake hike in Nashville, October 2002

In my early memories of Mark, we attended meetings of the old Southeastern Region Medical Library Program, usually held at an Atlanta Airport hotel. This group existed when the Southeastern Region was separate from the Mid-Atlantic Region. Mark had recently been diagnosed with diabetes and was very careful to eat frequently and nutritiously. Thus, his large briefcase always contained tasty treats. I would always arrange to sit by Mark because he was generous with the treats, and I was always hungry.

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In Nashville, Mark, as part of his fitness program, made regular walking trips to the bookstore to pick up the New York Times and perhaps international newspapers. Since Nashville was the city where many state library meetings and conferences were held, I enjoyed browsing in the same bookstore after meetings, occasionally running into Mark.

My last memories of Mark occurred in April, 2005, when he treated me to lunch at the Vanderbilt Faculty Club, and I learned of his work with the Dismas House for recently released prisoners; and in June, 2006, when he drove to Johnson City to surprise me at my retirement party and to represent MLA. Imagine my delight when, surrounded by well wishers, I saw Mark come into the room. He will always have a special place in my heart for his thoughtful gesture.

And lastly, Mark was THE SOURCE for MLA news and gossip. The phone would ring, and Mark would say, "I don't suppose that you have heard about…..". I think he enjoyed his role of "you heard it here first".

Mark's passing continues to sadden me, but I will always have happy memories of his zest for life, delightful British accent, devotion to librarianship and family, his wonderful stories, and his friendship.

--Janet S. Fisher

The Final Word... Here we are at the end of my first editorial efforts for Southern Expressions. Nicole and I have learned a thing or two about workflow, timing and bookmarks. We have inherited a great publication and will do our best to provide the chapter with a useful and enjoyable quarterly newsletter, which is what you have come to expect.

I hope you enjoy this issue; try the bookmarks and please do send in your answers to the contest. I look forward to seeing you in Atlanta this October.

Jason