Happy Spring!

April is finally here. March certainly went “out like a lion” with snow, morning frosts, bitter winds, and cold rains. We can all look with envy to our colleagues in Puerto Rico. They are enjoying temperatures in the high 80’s. And, how do I know this? The Conrado F. Asenjo Library, Medical Sciences Campus, University of Puerto Rico, has a link to weather information. What a novel idea for a library’s website! Now if you really want to get spring fever . . . check out the link! Just out of curiosity I clicked the San Juan temperature link on their website and was immediately ready to skip spring and go straight to summer.

While you are on the site, take a look at the tutorial link. You will appreciate its user-friendly format. Besides that, it was really creative and held my interest! I took a brief look at Charles Segui Caballero’s RefWork’s tutorial. It was nicely done, creative, and held my interest—even though my Spanish is very rusty. If you visit these web links, I hope you will find them as interesting as I did.

And, I know many of you are interested in learning more about our upcoming chapter meeting. I am happy to announce Sandra Bandy has assembled a dynamite team to plan programming for the annual conference. Susan Clark and her Local Arrangements team began their conference work last year. This year’s conference theme is, “The Art of Information: Design. Delivery. Display.” We have a lot to look forward to when the meeting takes place in Ridgeland, Mississippi, from October 17-20, 2013, at the Embassy Suites. Make plans now to attend.

Now for a complete change of scenery and ambiance, I hope you plan to attend One Health, May 3-8, 2013, in Boston, MA. It incorporates this year’s MLA Annual Meeting, the 11th International Congress on Medical Librarianship, the 7th International Conference of Animal Health Information Specialist, and the 6th International Clinical Librarian Conference. While at the meeting, I encourage you to help perpetuate the profession by volunteering your time to two worthy activities—the Colleague Connection and the One Health Resume Clinic. Speaking from personal experience, I can offer assurances that you will gain as much, or more, than you give to each conference activity. Attend the conference for programming, continuing education, networking, and the awards luncheon. Chapter members receiving awards includes Priscilla Stephenson (Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship), T. Scott Plutchak (MLA Fellowship), and Richard Nollan (Murray Gottlieb Prize). Congratulations to all chapter members for this well-deserved recognition.

Finally, in words used by many—last but certainly not least, I want to roll out the red carpet to welcome the chapter’s new newsletter editors—Roz McNerney and Steve Wilson. Hot off the press! They bring us a new perspective on the design and delivery of the chapter’s newsletter.

Enjoy the issue and share your feedback with Roz and Steve.

-Brenda
**Around the South: Florida**

**Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Library, Florida International University**

**The Big News!** Florida International University’s Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine was awarded full accreditation from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). The HWCOM is the first public medical school created in South Florida. The school, which opened with 43 students in 2009, now admits 120 students per entering class. It will graduate its first group of medical doctors in May, 2013.

**Bohyun Kim,** Digital Access Librarian, has been awarded a 2013 ACRL Scholarship from the Association of College and Research Libraries. The funds will be used to attend its annual meeting.

**Black History Month Display:** Florida International University Medical Library is hosting a traveling exhibit “Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons.” It was developed and produced by the National Library of Medicine and the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture. The exhibit is comprised of six colorful posters and is coordinated by Hector Perez-Gilbe, Head of Information and Instruction Services.

**Kindle Ebook project:** The Medical Library began circulating Kindle e-book readers as a project being managed by Bohyun Kim, Digital Services Librarian. The project offers 30 medical books and will gather input from students on Kindle functionality. Funding for the project was provided by the Southeastern/Atlantic Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine.

**Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, College of Medicine, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL**

**UCF College of Medicine Earns Full Accreditation:** On February 7, 2013, Dr. Deborah German, Dean of the University of Central Florida’s new College of Medicine, announced that the college received its full accreditation! The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), which completed its site visit at UCF COM in October 2012, granted the accreditation. UCF COM opened its doors in 2009 with its charter class of 41 medical students, all of who received full scholarships from generous community donors. These pioneering students are set to graduate this May and will be looking forward to Match Day on March 15, 2013. Since 2009, UCF COM has taken in 240 new students, and will reach full enrollment by 2017, starting with this year’s incoming class of 120 students.

**iPads or iPad minis for Medical Students:** In December 2012, the Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, the center of mobile technology deployment at
UCF COM, began a study to determine if Apple’s new 7.9 inch iPad mini is a better choice than a larger tablet for use in a clinical setting. UCF COM clinical faculty and students from each class were given the iPad mini, and the group has been meeting regularly to discuss their experiences with the smaller device. The library team hopes to publish its findings at the end of the study, and is also looking forward to using the study results to determine which device to provide to the new incoming class of medical students in August.

The Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, FL

DOCS Community Health Fairs: From early October 2012 through mid-March 2013, librarians and staff of the Calder Library participated in seven health fairs held at nine locations in South Florida. The Miller School’s Department of Community Service (DOCS) holds the health fairs annually with medical students and faculty providing examinations and tests, and librarians providing information about MedlinePlus and answering patient and provider questions. For many patients, it is the only time they will visit a healthcare provider during the entire year. The health fair sites were Hialeah, Little Haiti (Miami), South Dade (Homestead), Upper Keys (Tavernier), Lower Keys (Big Pine Key, Key West, Marathon), Jack & Jill Community Center (Fort Lauderdale), and Liberty City (Miami). Participating librarians and staff were Carmen Bou-Crick, MSLS, Jenny Garcia-Barcena, MSLS, David Goolabsingh, MLS, Kim Loper, MLIS, Mary Moore, PhD, Geddy Paulaitis, MLS, AHIP, Erica Powell, MLS, JoAnn Van Schaik, MLS, Ed Vinson, and Barbara Wood, MLIS. About 1,500 consumers of health services and family members attended the DOCS Community Health Fairs.

Resident Scholarly Activity Program (RSAP): On January 11, 2013, Calder librarian faculty received awards during the annual UMMSM’s Resident Scholarly Activity Program’s (RSAP) research and awards presentation. RSAP is a three phase curriculum aimed to improve the quality of research projects pursued by residents and increase the number of projects submitted for publication in peer reviewed journals. Dr. Mary Moore, Chair, Department of Health Informatics and Executive Director, Medical Libraries and Biomedical Communications, received an “Executive Board Leadership Award” for committed service as Vice Chair on the RSAP Board as well as an “Outstanding Service Award” for her commitment in providing quality lectures to the RSAP residents and for her dedicated years of service. Barbara A. Wood, MLIS, Librarian Assistant Professor, received an “Outstanding Service Award” for “Voted Best Lecture by RSAP Residents.”

Collaboration with Medical Faculty: Through the years, Calder librarian faculty have been involved in research with medical faculty and submitting papers for con-
ference presentations and/or journal publications. Recently, Barbara A. Wood, MLIS, Librarian Assistant Professor, with authors Drs. Irene Kirolos and Leonardo J. Tamariz, submitted an abstract for a poster which was accepted for presentation at the Society of General Internal Medicine Annual Meeting, to take place in Denver, CO, on April 24-27, 2013. The poster is entitled “A systematic review of interventions to improve palliative care referral.”

**NLM Training--PubMed for Trainers:** Carmen Bou-Crick, MSLS, Interim Head of Reference, Education, and Outreach Services, is the second Calder Librarian to complete the MLA-sponsored, 15-contact-hour course, *PubMed for Trainers*, offered by the National Library of Medicine. The training consisted of three webinars and an on-site session at the University of Central Florida, in Orlando, FL, on January 24, 2013. Barbara Wood, MLS, completed the training in October 2012 at the National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, MD. This excellent training provided powerful information and tools for designing PubMed classes that are appropriate for different types of learners, such as clinicians, researchers, medical students, and nurses.

**NN/LM SE/A Region Training Sessions:** Calder librarian faculty participated in several continuing education courses sponsored by MLA and offered by the NN/LM SE/A Region. The first course, on “Informatics for Librarians: Peeling the Onion,” was presented at Florida International University, Miami, FL, on December 14, 2012. The following librarians attended the session: Carmen Bou-Crick, MSLS, Jenny Garcia-Barcena, MSLS, Kim Loper, MLIS, Geddy Paulaitis, MLS, AHIP, Erica Powell, MLS, and Barbara Sorondo, MLS. The class offered an overview of the field of clinical informatics and discussed the skills that librarians can bring to this new area of interest.

More recently, Calder librarian faculty attended two training sessions held at Nova Southeastern University, in Davie, FL, on February 27, 2013. The morning session, “Super Searchers: Enhancing your Online Search Super Powers” was attended by Carmen Bou-Crick, MSLS, Jenny Garcia-Barcena, MSLS, Geddy Paulaitis, MLS, AHIP, and Erica Powell, MLS. The afternoon session, “Screencasting: Creating Online Tutorials” was attended by Carmen Bou-Crick, MSLS, and Jenny Garcia-Barcena, MSLS. Each class offered 4 MLA contact hours and an incredible amount of novel and useful information, especially for reference and education librarians and those interested in developing online tutorials.
Health Science Center Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

In mid-January the HSCL unveiled its new website. The address did not change, but it has a new, updated look based on a template used by all the Colleges and departments at the UF Health Science Center.

The HSCL has received a $50,000 grant from the National Library of Medicine and NIH Office of Research on Women’s Health to work towards their goals of increasing sex differences research in basic sciences and employing innovative strategies to build a well-trained, diverse and vigorous women’s health research workforce. The project involves a number of components: student and faculty training (through UF’s Clinical and Translational Science Institute and faculty development), collection development, a limited open access publishing fund for this subject area, two researcher CoLABs, and project dissemination at professional conferences and UF research poster sessions. Team members include PI Michele Tennant, and co-PIs Linda Butson, Mary Edwards, Hannah Norton, and Nancy Schaefer.

The paper “Smartphone use at a university health science center” was published on February 8 in the peer-reviewed journal Medical Reference Services Quarterly (32(1):52-72). The project was led by Ellie Bushhousen with co-authors including Hannah Norton, Linda Butson, Beth Auten, Rae Jesano, Don David, and Michele Tennant.

The HSC Library in Gainesville will host the National Library of Medicine’s exhibit “Voyage to Health” March 25-May 3, 2013. Planned events include:

March 26, 12:00-1:00, Molecular anthropologist Dr. Koji Lum (University of Binghamton) will present on health transition related to modernization in indigenous Pacific populations

March 27, 12:00-1:00, Dr. Lum will present on Pacific settlement, malaria selection, and drug resistance evolution

March 28, 12:00-1:00, Winston Nagan (UF College of Law) will present on land rights of indigenous peoples

April 18, 5:30, Screening of the film “Whale Rider”


Personnel: We want to welcome John Reazer, Borland Library’s new Medical Information Services Librarian. John started on February 1, 2013. John came to us from the University of Connecticut’s Lyman Maynard Stowe Library.
Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Danny O’Neal Retirement Announcement: On January 24, 2013, I retired from the University of South Florida as a University Librarian/Professor, Assistant Director of Information and Outreach Services. During my 19 years at the Shimberg Library, I consider myself very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to develop a meaningful career and meet so many wonderful people both inside and outside of our profession. I was especially proud to serve on MLA and SC/MLA committees and as Southern Chapter Chair. I will continue to be a member of the chapter and hope to see you all again at future meetings. I wish to say thank you to everyone who has provided guidance and encouragement and to all of my mentors and friends in the chapter and elsewhere in the profession. I look back on my career as a librarian with great pride and fond memories.

As for my future, I have a very long list of projects and travel that will keep me busy for years to come, but first, Cooky and I bought a home in Dunedin, Florida and hope to move in July of this year. It was built in 1924, and its renovation is my first project. If anyone wishes to contact me, my email is doneal7@tampabay.rr.com.

Professional Membership/Service:
Southern Chapter/Medical Library Association (SC/MLA), 1999 – present
  Chair - Nominating Committee, Southern Chapter, 2010 – 2011.
  Chair - Strategic Planning Committee, Southern Chapter, 2010 – 2011.
  Chair, Southern Chapter, 2009 -- 2010
  Chair Elect, Southern Chapter, 2008 – 2009
  Co-Chair Program Committee, 2008 – 2009; Annual Meeting, Memphis
  Chapter Council Representative, 2006 - 2008
  Committee Restructuring Task Force, 2004
  Chapter Council Alternate, 2004 – 2006
  Professional Development Committee, 2003
  Nominating Committee, 2002
  Board member, Parliamentarian, 1999 – 2003

Member of MLA since 2000, AHIP, Distinguished since 2007.
MLA committees, twice Chair of the Majors MLA Chapter of the Year Jury.
Editor of ‘The Squeak’ newsletter at the Annual Meeting, 2001, Orlando.

Florida Health Sciences Library Association (FHSLA), 1995 – present
Tampa Bay Medical Librarian Association (TaBaMLN), 1995 – present
Suncoast Information Society (SIS), 1994 - 1999
Co-Editor, The CLUE Newsletter (Library Publication), 1996 – 2007

Attention SC/MLA Members!
Remember April 30th is the last day to pay your membership dues
**Noble Learning Resource Center, Shepherd Center, Atlanta, GA**

**Noble Learning Resource Center:** The Noble Learning Resource Center at Shepherd Center received an exhibit grant from the NN/LM SE/A for the Abilities Expo in Atlanta, GA, February 8-10. We partnered with the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System and the Georgia Library for Statewide Accessible Services for the second year to share about library resources from a national to neighborhood level. 3,100 adults visited the Abilities Expo over the weekend and many showed interest in the information available through MedlinePlus and the local library offerings. Many thanks to Joia Ellis-Dinkins and Vikki Walters from AFPLS and Stella Cone with GLASS. This project was funded in whole or in part with Federal funds from the NLM, NIH, DHHS, under contract #HHS-N-376-2011-00004-C with the University of Maryland Baltimore.

**Medical Library & Learning Resources Center, Mercer University School of Medicine, Macon, GA**

**Kim Meeks Appointed Interim Director:** Kim Meeks, MLIS, AHIP was appointed the interim Library Director of the Mercer University School of Medicine effective January 1, 2013.

Kim Meeks earned an undergraduate degree from Georgia College and State University and a Master of Library and Information Studies from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa in 2007. She has served the Mercer University School of Medicine since 2002 in various positions. These have included: Instructional Support Specialist, Learning Resource Center Manager, and Systems and Electronic Resources Librarian. She has served on the Information Technology Advisory Committee as a member and now Chair, and is currently Chair of the Library and Learning Resources Committee.

**Alisha Miles Joins Mercer Medical Library—Macon:** The Mercer Medical Library in Macon, Georgia is pleased to announce that Alisha Miles, MLIS, AHIP is our new Assistant Director for Public Services.

Alisha earned her B.A. in English Literature from Columbus State University, and her Master of Library and Information Studies from Florida State University. She also received a fellowship in Biomedical Informatics from the National Library of Medicine. Previously, Alisha was the librarian at Simon Schwob Medical Library in Columbus.
Robert B. Greenblatt M.D. Library, Georgia Regents University, Augusta, GA

Julie K. Gaines, Head GRU/UGA Partnership Campus Library: Julie participated in the Teaching and Leading EBM: a Workshop for Teachers and Champions of Evidence Based Medicine at Duke University in March 2013 as one of the medical librarians that are a part of the tutor teams at this national workshop. This 4-day workshop is designed to help clinical leaders and educators enhance their Evidence-Based Medicine skills. The workshop consists of larger group lectures, small groups sessions for practicing and free study time for consultations, and short classes on effectively using EBM resources.

Julie was also chosen for the Woods Hole BioMedical Informatics Fellowship Program in May 2013. This is a week-long course, which takes place at Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA and is fully supported by the National Library of Medicine, NIH. The course is for medical educators, medical librarians and medical administrators interested in the application of computer technologies and information science in biomedicine and health science. Through a combination of lectures and hands-on computer exercises, fellows are introduced to the conceptual and technical components of biomedical informatics.

Greenblatt sponsors NLM Fellow: Greenblatt Library is pleased to have been selected as a host for the National Library of Medicine (NLM) Fellow Spring Practicum Week during March 4-8.

The NLM Associate Fellow, Karen Gutzman, is a recent graduate from North Texas with an MS degree in Library Science with an emphasis in Health Informatics. While completing her degree she worked as a research assistant for the National Children's Study. Ms. Gutzman completed an internship with the University of Houston’s digital library and received a MLA Scholarship. She holds a Masters of Arts degree in Educational Leadership from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. Her undergraduate degree from South Dakota State University is in Biological Sciences.

The National Library of Medicine Associate Fellowship Program is a one-year postgraduate training fellowship at the NLM in Bethesda, with an optional second year component. The program is designed to provide a broad foundation in health sciences information services, and to prepare librarians for future leadership roles in health sciences libraries. The Spring Practicum Week is an opportunity for NLM Associates to meet academic health sciences center library staff and medical center staff and be exposed to experiences beyond what NLM can offer.

Karen selected the Greenblatt Library as an avenue for learning and participating in our new Embedded Librarian program on the Augusta and Athens campus sites. She is also interested in library instruction, collection development, and library promotion. During her week in Georgia she visited the GRU/UGA Partnership Cam-
pus and the main campus in Augusta. She followed embedded librarians on the job in Nursing, Dentistry, Allied Health, Family Medicine, and Pediatrics.

**Southern Medical and Surgical Journal digitized:** The Greenblatt Library is pleased to announce that the recently digitized volumes of the *Southern Medical and Surgical Journal* are available for viewing in the GRU institutional repository, Scholarly Commons. The digitization of this 19th Century publication was made possible through the Express Library Digitization and Conservation Award given by the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region.

The *Southern Medical and Surgical Journal* (*SMSJ*) was first published in June 1836 by the faculty of the newly established Medical College of Georgia. The *SMSJ* presented scholarly work in the art of medicine to urban and rural medical practitioners in the southeast region of the US and was a vibrant reflection of middle 19th Century American medicine.

Significant articles that appeared first in the *SMSJ* were Dr. Crawford W. Long’s use of ether during surgery and Dr. Louis A. Dugas’ theory for diagnosing dislocations of the shoulder joint, referred today as the "Dugas Sign". The journal was published from June 1836 to December 1839, Volumes I-III; 1845-1861, Volumes I-XVII, New Series; and resumed for only a brief time from July/August 1866 to July 1867, Volume XXI, Whole Series. Each volume is indexed by author/contributor and title/subject.

PDFs of the *SMSJ* are available for viewing and downloading at [Southern Medical and Surgical Journal](http://southern-medical-surgical-journal.com).

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**18th Century Gravid Uterus donated to Historical Collections & Archives:** On Monday, February 18, Dr. Leslie Wilkes (Medical College of Georgia, Class of 1965) presented to Historical Collections & Archives his copy of William Hunter’s historical book, *Anatomia uteri humani gravidi tabulis illustrata* [The anatomy of the human gravid uterus exhibited in figures] published in 1774. Dr. Wilkes’ mother was a librarian in a county public library, and he began collecting rare books by William Hunter’s brother, John Hunter, during his fellowship in Scotland.

William Hunter was a famous anatomist, surgeon and obstetrician in 18th Century Great Britain and author of numerous articles on anatomy, surgery, and midwifery. The *Gravid Uterus* is Hunter’s most well-known work and is considered to be one of the best anatomical atlases ever published. The script is in Latin and English, which is a unique feature of the book. The engraved plates were produced by several engravers using the artistic anatomical drawings by Jan van Rymsdyk. The drawings are
presented life-size due to the size of the book, 26”x19”.

The presentation of the *Gravid Uterus* was attended by Dr. Peter Buckley, Dean of the Medical College of Georgia, as well as representatives from University Advancement and GRU Alumni Affairs.

**Around the South: South Carolina**

**School of Medicine Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC**

**Free Clinics Project:** Karen McMullen, Roz McConnaughy, and Victor Jenkinson delivered equipment and conducted MedlinePlus training in January and February 2013 for staff members at the United Ministry Free Medical/Dental Clinic and the Clinica Gratis Free in Greenwood, SC Clinic as part of the Outreach Project “Linking South Carolina Free Clinics to Quality Health Information: Phase Three.” The equipment will enhance patient education efforts and increase awareness and use of MedlinePlus at the clinics. This Outreach Project is funded by the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region.

**Guest Blog Post:** Laura Kane wrote a guest post for the blog, Hiring Librarians, entitled *Author’s Corner: A Hodgepodge of Tips for Applicants* on March 6, 2013

**Book Review Published:** Christine Whitaker had a book review published in the March 2013 issue of CHOICE.


**Library, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC**

**Dr. W. Curtis Worthington Jr. Receives South Carolina Order of the Silver Crescent:** In a small ceremony on Tuesday, January 29, 2013, Dr. W. Curtis Worthington Jr. was awarded the Order of the Silver Crescent for his lifetime of service to the Medical University of South Carolina and the Lowcountry. This award, given by the South Carolina Governor’s office, recognizes an individual’s exemplary performance, contribution, and achievement within the community. It is the state’s highest award for volunteer and/or community service.
In his nomination letter to the Governor, Waring Library Society president Dr. Charlie Strange wrote, “Dr. Worthington has spent a lifetime in service to the state of South Carolina. A native son (though technically born in Savannah, Georgia, the nearest hospital to his family’s home was in Beaufort), he has made important and enduring contributions to his state through his service in medicine, science, education, and history.” In the governor’s absence, Dr. Strange read the citation and presented the award to Dr. Worthington in front of a small gathering of family, friends, and colleagues. In her letter to Dr. Worthington, Governor Nikki R. Haley wrote, "It would be easy to point to specific accomplishments that merit the Order of the Silver Crescent but, in fact, your entire life has been marked by a level of commitment and achievement that brings enormous credit to you and your community."

**Dr. W. Curtis Worthington Jr. Celebrates 30 Years as Director of the Waring Historical Library:** On Wednesday, November 28, 2012 family, friends, and colleagues gathered to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Dr. W. Curtis Worthington Jr.’s appointment as director of the Waring Historical Library. Dr. Worthington became the library’s second director, succeeding its namesake Dr. Joseph I. Waring Jr., in November 1982 when the three-member committee which had held oversight since Dr. Waring’s death was dissolved. At that point Dr. Worthington transitioned to the Waring from his nearly seven-year stint as vice-president for academic affairs.

The dinner featured remarks by MUSC President Ray Greenberg, MUSC Library Director Thomas G. Basler, and Columbia physician, Charles S. Bryan. Dr. Worthington was honored with a “shooting sherry” toast and the presentation of a certificate of appreciation signed by Drs. Greenberg and Basler as well as Waring Library Society president Dr. Charlie Strange.

The evening was a chance for attendees to honor Dr. Worthington, celebrate his work at the Waring Library, and reconnect with friends and colleagues committed to preserving the history of the health sciences in South Carolina.

**Brooke Fox Named S. C. Archival Association’s 2012 Archivist of the Year:**
Brooke Fox has been named the 2012 Archivist of the Year by the South Carolina Archival Association (SCAA). This award recognizes Ms. Fox’s years of exceptional service to the profession, particularly in South Carolina, and to forwarding the mission and goals of the South Carolina Archival Association.

This award was presented to Ms. Fox on October 4, 2012 at the SCAA annual meeting in Columbia for her various projects both at the Medical University of South Carolina and the South Carolina Archival Association. SCAA Vice President Beth Bilderback read from the successful nomination form, “After joining the Medical University of South Carolina in August 2007, Ms. Fox established a solid oral history program, developed both traditional and web-based exhibits, and has been involved in internal institutional endeavors to collect and preserve the history of the university. In addition, she has served on the SCAA Board of Directors and was instrumental in organizing speakers, programming, and session themes for
annual meetings in Georgia, North Carolina, and Columbia. Ms. Fox also helped bring a workshop on electronic records to South Carolina this year, which was well attended by archivists from across the state and Georgia. Ms. Fox has served consistently and is willing to help out when other board members have had to relocate for jobs or school.”

Porcher Medicinal Garden Dedication and Exhibit: On October 18, 2012, the Porcher Medicinal Garden was officially dedicated. The MUSC Porcher Medicinal Garden is a living tribute to MUSC alumnus and professor Dr. Francis Peyre Porcher. The actual garden, located in the heart of MUSC’s campus, is planted with more than forty species of plants selected from those cataloged in Dr. Porcher’s Resources of the Southern Fields and Forests (1863). The dedication was held in conjunction with the Waring’s annual Sawyer Lecture and featured guest speaker, Michael Flannery. Mr. Flannery is the associate director for historical collections at the Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Mr. Flannery presented a delightful talk, “Healing the South: The Life and Work of Dr. Francis Peyre Porcher.”

Following the lecture, the attendees proceeded outside to the garden where MUSC President Dr. Ray Greenberg dedicated the garden. Joining him were direct descendants of Dr. Porcher, Mrs. Virginia Leigh Porcher Rouffy, her husband Rev. Ed Rouffy, and their son, Francis Porcher Rouffy.

In addition to the garden dedication, two special exhibitions based on the garden were opened in the Drug Discovery Building that same evening. “The Flowering of Medicine” botanical illustrations by Thomas L. Hamm II and Linda Ann Vinson include numerous works of art on paper of plants featured in the Porcher Garden, including horsemint and calendula.

Another element of the garden dedication was the announcement of an online exhibit about Dr. Porcher, his work, and the therapeutic value of the plants in the garden. This online exhibit provides biographical information about Dr. Porcher, bibliographic information about his publications, and details about the plants in the garden. Of particular note are the external links to both the Resources of the Southern Fields and Forests (1863) and the Natural Medicines Comprehensive database, where visitors can learn about nineteenth-century understanding of the plants in the garden or explore twenty-first century knowledge about the same plants. For those who want to explore more about Dr. Porcher and his work, links to the recently digitized F. P. Porcher papers in MEDICA, the Waring’s digital library, provide access to over 1,400 individual pages of his manuscript collection, his 1848 Medical College thesis, “A Medico-Botanical Catalogue of the Plants and Ferns of St. John’s Berkeley,” and his 1849 book, A Sketch of the Medical Botany of South Carolina. The exhibit, “Porcher Medicinal Garden: Cultivating Our History,” has been updated to include the recording of Mr. Flannery’s talk, photographs from the dedication, and planting information about the garden.

This project of the Waring Historical Library had been in the works for more than a year. Waring Curator, Ms. Susan Hoffius, worked with a committee to select the plants for the garden, procure specimens, and craft descriptive text for the garden.
and online exhibit. Since the garden dedication, a new leadership team has been assembled to develop and promote programming focused on the garden, its contents, and its history. For more information about upcoming events, please visit the exhibit at: http://waring.library.musc.edu/exhibits/PMG/about.php.

PICO Is on the Move, Conducting Community Leaders Institutes in Atlanta, GA and Bolton, NC: The Medical University of South Carolina’s (MUSC) Public Information and Community Outreach (PICO) Program conducted the Atlanta, GA Community Leaders Institute (CLI) in Morehouse School of Medicine’s National Center for Primary Care Auditorium on February 8-9, 2013. Over two hundred community leaders attended this event. Sponsors for this event included the Medical University of South Carolina, Southeastern Virtual Institute for Health Equity and Wellness (SE VIEW-MUSC-DOD), the U.S. Department of Energy, Dekalb County Georgia, Morehouse School of Medicine, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Georgia Women for a Change, Urban League of Greater Atlanta, and Atlanta Community Food Bank. Keynote addresses were given by Dr. David Satcher, former U.S. Surgeon General (16th); The Hon. Stacey Y. Abrams, Georgia House of Representatives’ Minority Leader; Ms. Lisa M. Borders, CEO of the Grady Foundation; and Mr. Brian P. McGowan, President and CEO of Invest Atlanta. This CLI fostered an environment that created dialogue on the role of government, youth issues and challenges, economic development, housing, transportation, community development, and health disparities.

In addition, MUSC-PICO conducted its 34th CLI (Bolton, NC) at the Southeastern Community College on February 22-23, 2013. Ninety-six community leaders attended this event in spite of the inclement weather. This CLI garnered the attention of local newspapers and had the most mayors in attendance out of all of the CLIs. The Medical University of South Carolina, Southeastern Virtual Institute for Health Equity and Wellness (SE VIEW-MUSC-DOD), the U.S. Department of Energy, South Carolina State University, Southeastern Community College, Town of Bolton, Community Development Corporation, and Town of Navassa sponsored this event. Presentations were provided by a host of experts: Ms. Denise Tennessee, US EPA’s Office of Environmental Justice Acting Director; Ms. Amy Simes, NC Department of Environmental and Natural Resources’ Transportation Liaison; Mr. Charles McDowell, Columbus County Board of Commissioners’ Chairman; Town of Whiteville’s Mayor Terry Mann; Mr. Alan Faulk, Columbus County Schools’ Superintendent; Ms. Carol Caldwell, DREAM Center’s Director; Miss Eboni Smith, East Columbus High School Student; Ms. Juanita Harper, Community Development Corporation’s Assistant Director; Ms. Jennifer Holcomb, Columbus County’s Board of Tourism Director; Ms. Kimberly Smith, Columbus County Health Department Health Director; and Ms. Patricia Ray, Columbus County Health Department’s Parish Nurse.

MUSC-PICO will host a Wadmalaw Island, SC Technical Assistance Workshop on March 9, 2013, the James Island CLI on May 3-4, 2013, and a made-for-television dialogue on the role of social determinants, scheduled for May 30, 2013, in Columbia, SC. Plans are already underway regarding the Seventh Annual National Con-
Remote Area Medical Clinic: Rick Wallace, Nakia Woodward, Katie Wolf, and Kelly Loyd exhibited at the Remote Area Medical Clinic at Pigeon Forge High School in Pigeon Forge, TN. The clinic provides no-cost medical, dental, and vision services to attendees. The ETSU Library Staff provided on-site consumer health information searching and handouts to all attendees. This project was sponsored by an exhibit award from NN/LM SE/A.

East Tennessee State University Quillen College of Medicine Library, Johnson City, TN

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Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine, Knoxville, TN

**Medical Librarians International Travel:** Martha Earl and Cynthia Vaughn from Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine, Knoxville, recently traveled to Botswana and South Africa working with the US Embassies in each country.

In Botswana, they led a half-day workshop on consumer health information at the University of Botswana, which has a new medical school. In South Africa, they led a three-day train-the-trainer workshop at the Consulate General in Johannesburg. Eighteen librarians (primarily medical, also some public) attended the workshop to learn how to teach consumer health information to public librarians. Both programs were well received and considered a success by the Embassies.
Join your Medical Library Association (MLA) colleagues and register for One Health, May 3–8, 2013, in Boston, MA!

Expand your professional network at this unique international meeting, with presenters from more than 30 countries expected. In addition to the conversations you'll have with your worldwide colleagues, expect fresh ideas from keynote speaker Richard Besser, ABC News senior health and medical editor.

One Health will feature more papers and poster presentations than any previous MLA meeting, covering an even greater breadth of topics. The theme of “One Health” encompasses not only human and animal health, but also public health, environmental health, climate change, food safety and production, and international policy—emphasizing interdisciplinary and international collaboration.

Register now and reserve your room at the Sheraton Boston, the official conference headquarters hotel. View the Invitation to MLA '13 for an exciting video tour of what Boston has to offer attendees! Special tours (including library tours) will be available for One Health attendees. You can also view the Exhibitor List.

Register for One Health Continuing Education courses organized in tracks according to professional competency areas, with many new courses on offer.

Additional plenary session speakers:
- Joanne Gard Marshall, AHIP, FMLA, alumni distinguished professor, School of Information and Library Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and producer of the “Rochester Study”, the highly cited report on the impact of the hospital library on clinical decision making.
- Sheila Davis, director of global nursing at Partners in Health (PIH), and clinical assistant professor in the School of Nursing at the MGH Institute of Health Professions in Boston, MA.

This federated international meeting will incorporate:
-- 2013 MLA Annual Meeting and Exhibition (MLA’ 13)
-- 11th International Congress on Medical Librarianship (ICML),
-- 7th International Conference of Animal Health Information Specialists (ICAHIS)
-- 6th International Clinical Librarian Conference

We look forward to seeing you at this special international meeting in Boston!
Reflection

The Sewell Stipend: Just do it!

Kristin Kroger, Reference/Academic Support Services Librarian at the Health Professions Division Library, Nova Southeastern University, was a 2011 recipient of the Sewell Stipend from the Public Health/Health Administration Section of the Medical Library Association. Read her reflection from attending the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting.

I had only been at my new job as the Liaison Librarian to the College of Osteopathic Medicine, College of Medical Sciences & the Master of Public Health (MPH) Program for a couple of months when I saw the posting on the MEDLIB Listserv announcing the Stillwell Stipend. The Stipend would provide $1000 to help offset some of the costs for me to join the American Public Health Association (APHA) and attend the annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

I had 15 years of experience as a librarian, but this was my first time working in a medical/health sciences library. While I thought the Stipend sounded like an interesting opportunity, I was feeling a bit overwhelmed. I initially dismissed the idea of applying, or at the very least, delaying for a year until I had been at my job a little longer and knew the subject matter and faculty a little better. My boss, however, thought this might be a great opportunity to get my feet wet. She suggested I contact the director of the MPH Program to see if he thought this would be worthwhile.

On my way to the MPH Program area, I worried that the Director of the MPH Program would be irritated by my interruption of his day about such a relatively trivial matter (or so I thought). I could not have been more wrong. When I arrived there, the Director was on the phone. So as not to waste a trip, I decided to run-it-by one of the other MPH professors in a neighboring office. To say he was thrilled would be an understatement. I was immediately ushered into the Director’s office by the professor. The Director also proved very enthusiastic and agreed to be my mentor for the Stipend. I think the idea that a Librarian, and a non-public health professional, was interested enough in their field of expertise to want to attend one of their conferences was novel enough to elicit the enthusiastic response.

To make a long story short, I was awarded the Stipend and attended the APHA Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. The Sewell Stipend afforded me the opportunity to learn more about the all-encompassing field of Public Health and to network with other librarians working with public health professionals. In retrospect, the Stipend had much more of an impact than the obvious opportunity it was. Even if I had not been awarded the Stipend, the mere fact that I entertained the idea was impressive to the Public Health professors at my school. The entire experience… from my initial inquiry about the value of the Conference, to the interactions and experiences while I was there, had greater benefits than I could have imagined. A few of the tangible effects I can attribute to the Stipend are: I have been invited to teach online training classes to their students, I was appointed as an Adjunct In-
structor in the MPH program in my first year (a process initiated by the MPH Di-
rector); and this year I was ‘upgraded’ to the position of Adjunct Assistant Profes-
sor in the MPH Program. An intangible effect, but equally important, is that I
now appear to have been accepted by the other Public Health faculty, as “one of
them.”

The Stipend did not just give me a great opportunity; it also greatly affected and
enhanced my professional career. While I have no idea whether my experience is
the norm, I cannot stress enough the value of the Stipend. If you are on the fence
about applying for this or any other similar opportunity, don’t hesitate! Just Do it!
It was an invaluable experience that I highly recommend.

Interested librarians can expect the call for this year’s applications to be posted in June 2013 on
the PHHA blog, where they can also read other recipients’ summaries of their experiences
http://www.phha.mlanet.org/blog.

Honors and Awards

Honors and Awards Committee

The 2013 Honors and Awards Committee is accepting nominations and
applications for the following awards:

SC/MLA Academic Librarian of the Year Award
http://www.scmla.org/home/academic_librarian_award
Application deadline: Monday, June 3, 2013

The Martha C. Watkins Scholarship
http://www.scmla.org/home/watkins_scholarship
Application deadline: Monday, June 3, 2013

First Time Attendee Scholarship
http://www.scmla.org/home/first_time_attendee
Application deadline: Monday, June 3, 2013

Jocelyn Rankin Memorial Scholarship
http://www.scmla.org/home/rankin_scholarship
Application deadline: 30 days prior to course or workshop the applicant wishes to attend

Procedures for applying for these awards are outlined on the SC/MLA website at:
http://www.scmla.org/home/awards
Message from Barbara Shearer

Message from the Southern Chapter MLA Credentialing Liaison
March 2013 Barbara Shearer, MSLS, AHIP

For almost 30 years, I have been “a hip” librarian. I personally recommend this approach to planning a career built on the precepts of the MLA AHIP program. The benefits are many, and include providing a mechanism for you to take full ownership as you structure your own professional development and service activities. You can begin this process anytime and at any point in your career. It is never too late to review where you are and where you want to go next.

To name a few of the benefits of membership:

- Getting help with structuring your professional development activities
- Locating a mentor
- Receiving peer and institutional recognition for your accomplishments
- Making professional contacts
- Highlighting the core competencies and distinguishing characteristics of health-sciences librarianship

I leave it to you to review the full list of benefits and procedures entailed in joining the AHIP; this useful information is found on MLANet at: http://www.mlanet.org/academy. However, if you have any questions about AHIP and/or need/want a liaison to the MLA AHIP office, please contact me.

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