Summer is here.

Hurray for longer days! Time to dust off the sports gear, launch your boat, take a vacation, or get caught up at work. On the subject of work, members of the Executive Committee have done a lot of work over the last several months. Last month, during the One Health (MLA ’13) Meeting, members of the Executive Board met in Boston. Board members not attending MLA were able to participate via conference call. The collective input from board members resulted in a productive Executive Board Meeting.

Highlights of the board meeting include the following.

New Library & Information Science (LIS) Student Award. This annual award provides partial funding for two LIS students to attend the annual meeting. Information about this new award, designed to promote the chapter to the next generation of library and information professionals, can be found here: http://www.scmla.org/home/lis_award.

Conference Report – 2013 Annual Meeting in Ridgeland, Mississippi. The Embassy Suites Jackson – North/Ridgeland, Ridgeland, Mississippi is the convention site. The Local Arrangements Committee is doing a wonderful job with local arrangements. Details about this meeting will be reported in this issue of Southern Expressions.

Conference Update – 2014 Annual Meeting in Mobile, Alabama. Judy Burnham gave a Local Arrangements update for the 2015 meeting in Mobile, Alabama. The meeting will be held at the historic Battle House Renaissance Hotel & Spa. The committee intends to hold the banquet at the Maritime Museum. Expect to see a meeting theme coinciding with the opening of the National Library of Medicine exhibit, “Against the Odds”. See link at: http://apps.nlm.nih.gov/againsttheodds/index.cfm.

MLA Chapter Members Interest – 2015 Annual Meeting in Puerto Rico. The 2015 Puerto Rico meeting is garnering a lot of interest and excitement.
Message from the Chair, cont.

from members in several MLA chapters. It was reported that some chapters have expressed interest in hosting a joint meeting. A discussion of hosting a joint meeting was not discussed at this board meeting. The board did, however, discuss travel funds for the 2015 meeting. It was suggested that chapter members should start checking now to see if their institution will approve conference travel outside the contiguous US. If travel funds are restricted, the board discussed the merits of meeting attendance by non-chapter members.

A lively discussion ensued about non-chapter members attending the meeting. The Executive Board discussed the criteria to allow non-chapter members to register at the member rate. It was speculated that prior to the Puerto Meeting, the chapter’s membership might dramatically increase.

Chapter Membership and Finances. And, speaking of membership, the chapter’s current membership now stands at 268. As of March 31, 2013, the balance in the treasury was $23,981.75.

Update – 2012 MLA Quad Chapter Meeting. According to the MOU, after all expenses and seed money was returned to each originating chapter, the net profit of the meeting was divided by the relative percentage contributed by each chapter based on total registration and continuing education fees paid by the attendees residing within the chapter’s boundaries. The following was distributed to the participating chapters.

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It was noted that Acteva did not meet scheduled payments according to our contact. Special thanks goes to MAC for their financial assistance prior to the meeting and Carla Funk at MLA for support and legal representation for the meeting.

One Health (MLA ’13) Awards

Richard Nollan – Murray Gottlieb Prize
Priscilla Stephenson – Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship
T. Scott Plutchak – MLA Fellow Award. To see Scott accepting his award, visit my blog at: http://brendagreen.blogspot.com/2013/05/blog-post.html.

I hope this brief summary of awards and activities at MLA ’13 has whetted your appetite to seek additional information. The committee chairs have accomplished much to advance the chapter’s goals. All committee reports will be posted on the chapter’s website.

I encourage you to read the committee reports. If you are not currently a commit-
te member, consider joining a committee. Most committees are made up of at least one representative from each state and territory within the chapter. Contact the committee chairs to learn more about the various committees. And, if you are currently serving on a committee, thank you for your service to the chapter.

In addition to committees, the Southern Chapter has a number of appointed positions. Please reach out to me if you are interested in serving on a committee or assisting with one of the many appointed positions. The committees and appointed positions take care of much of the work that is needed to ensure the chapter meets its goals.

From now until the annual meeting in Ridgeland, there is a tremendous amount of work to be done. Volunteer yourself! Share with me your ideas to engage the next generation of librarians when we gather in Ridgeland. We are fortunate to have several library and information schools within our chapter. How can we connect LIS students with the chapter's honorary members? According to Sandra Bandy, membership database manager, the chapter has 36 honorary members.

Can you suggest ways that our honorary members engage in meaningful interactions with LIS students? I believe one of the chapter's strengths is the ongoing commitment, over time, from members such as the honorary members.

Let me know your thoughts.

Brenda Faye Green
SC/MLA Chapter Chair

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**Around the South: Alabama**

**USA Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL**

**MLA Annual Meeting presentations:** The librarians of the USA Biomedical Library were very active this year at the MLA annual meeting. Director Judy Burnham presented a continuing education course called “Introduction to Bibliometrics.” Posters presented by USA librarians include: “A Bibliometric Analysis Comparing International Collaboration Rates over Two Decades: 1991–2010” by Judy Burnham, Dennis Fell, Amanda Schermerhorn, Corey Irby, and Eric David; “Librarians’ Role in the Hospital’s Open Heart Surgery Protocol,” by Geneva Bush Staggs and Judy Burnham; and “Core Literature in Allied Health” by Robert M. Britton, Judy Burnham, and Jie Li.
Around the South: Florida

Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Library, Florida International University

Inaugural Class Graduation: The Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine at FIU graduated its very first class on April 29, 2013. Shortly afterwards, 33 new medical doctors headed towards their futures at locations across the country. The inaugural Class of 2013 numbered 43. Being the first class in a new medical school, the students experienced the growing pains and achievements of an evolving, innovative curriculum that they also participated in shaping. The rewards were impressive: above-average scores in the USMLE Step 1, and a spectacular 100% residency match.

For the medical library, comments on their last survey included, “You guys are awesome,” “Excellent experiences with the library,” “Great job you guys,” and “The library is the best functioning department @ FIU COM.” We’ll miss them, and we wish them the best!

New Librarian Faculty Track: In May, the College of Medicine faculty voted to include in its Bylaws a promotion track (non-tenure) for medical librarians. The ranks are: Instructor, Assistant Medical Librarian, Associate Medical Librarian, and Medical Librarian. The titles are not particularly colorful because they had to parallel the University Librarian track titles. The promotion criteria closely mirror those for the University Librarians, but they incorporate the AHIP point system as a practical guide for determining appointment and promotion.

The creation of the Medical Librarian track ends four years of wandering in the academic desert. It anchors medical librarians in the College of Medicine, and provides a “home” as the Division of Medical Research and Information Services in the Department of Humanities, Medicine, and Society. The Division is headed by Director of the Medical Library.

New Library: Planning has begun on a new medical library, to be housed in a new medical administration building. Completion will be around 17-18, and it will include every fantasy a medical librarian has, depending on funding.

Bohyun Kim, Digital Services Librarian has also been appointed to the Interface Standing Committee of the new Florida Virtual Campus.

She also authored, “Keeping Up With… Gamification,” in Association of College & Research Libraries – Keeping Up With… (June 2013).

Hector Perez-Gilbe, Head of Information and Instruction Services, has been appointed to the Institutional Review Board (IRB) Committee at Florida International University.

Dave Boilard, Director, is the 2013 Chair of the New Academic Health Science Libraries Committee, Association of Academic Health Science Libraries.
Medical Library, Morton Plant Mease Health Care, Clearwater, FL

Karen Roth, manager of the medical library at Morton Plant Mease Health Care in Clearwater, Florida, has published an article entitled “Shared Ownership: What's the Future?” It was published in Medical Reference Services Quarterly April 2013. The article traces the history of consortia in the library world. It gives background on the currently available negotiating models. The article speaks to the advantages of ownership sharing, i.e., price and electronic availability. Models of consortium purchasing are given as well as ideas for using the collective power of the librarian to negotiate for the best possible packages.

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

UCF College of Medicine Charter Class Graduates: On May 17, 2013, UCF College of Medicine graduated its first class of medical students. The 36 graduates, who all received full scholarships from community donors, were joined by Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library faculty during the graduation processional. We wish all of our graduates the best of luck in their residencies!

Another Busy Conference Season: Librarians at UCF COM once again had a busy conference season. In May, Shalu Gillum, Deedra Walton, and Michael Garner presented a workshop at the Florida Library Association Annual meeting entitled “Interactive e-Textbooks: Creating New Possibilities for Learning.” Shalu Gillum and Natasha Fortune also presented a poster titled, “A New Perspective on e-Collection Development: The Role of Annual Collection Analysis in Becoming a 100% Virtual Library.” Finally, librarians participated in the MLA Annual Meeting in Boston. Nadine Dexter, Deedra Walton, Michael Garner, and Pamela Herring all attended in person, while Shalu Gillum and Kerry McKee participated in the e-conference. Shalu Gillum, Public Services Librarian, was selected an official blogger for the conference, and blogged about her experiences with the e-conference. UCF COM librarians presented a poster titled, “Interactive e-Textbooks: Millennial Medical Students Learning Preferences.”

Studying Wearable Technology for Workplace Wellness: This coming year the Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library team will be embarking on an exciting new endeavor – wearable technology! The library has received a $3,000 award from the NN/LM Southeast Atlantic region to study the use of wearable technology for workplace wellness. Award money will be used to purchase activity trackers such as the Fitbit and Jawbone Up. The library team will be joined by several other departments at UCF COM for the study.
Health Science Center Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

**Grand Opening:** The Grand Opening of the newly renovated 1st floor of the UF Health Science Center Library was held on April 16th. Over 300 students, faculty, and staff joined library and Health Science Center officials at this celebration. Both Dr. Guzick, the senior vice president of health affairs and president of UF & Shands Health System and Cecilia Botero, associate dean of the Smathers Library System the HSCL director spoke at the ribbon cutting ceremony. They were accompanied by Judy Russell, dean of libraries, Michele Tennant, LaVerne Burch, Nina Stoyan –Rosenzweig, and Cliff Richmond from the library. The new design promotes collaborative study with group study areas and has increased electrical outlets, improved lighting, and movable furniture.

The 3rd floor of the library is now being renovated. The carpeting is being replaced, and the study rooms are being updated. This update includes soundproofing and painting the study rooms.

**CoLab:** As part of the Women’s Health Grant, the HSC Library co-sponsored a CoLab on April 30th to bring together researchers from across the campus who are working in the area of gender studies. The purpose of the CoLab was to bring together these researchers to exchange ideas and find other researchers with similar interests.

**Gretchen Kuntz named Trial Search Coordinator:** Gretchen Kuntz has been named the Trial Search Coordinator (TSC) for the Cochrane Prostatic Diseases and Urologic Cancers Group of the Cochrane Collaboration. Mary Edwards and Jennifer Lyon have been named Assistant TSCs. This work is in support of Dr. Philipp Dahm, Professor of Urology, who has been named Coordinating Editor of this international group. The HSCL team, led by Gretchen, will review and revise systematic review search strategies submitted by international contributors, and on a quarterly basis, update the international specialized registry on trials related to prostate disease and urological cancers.

**Travel & Presentations:** A large contingent of librarians from the UF HSCL attended MLA in Boston this year: Cecilia Botero, Ellie Bushhouse, Linda Butson, Mary Edwards, Rae Jesano, Gretchen Kuntz, Jennifer Lyon, Rolando Milan, Hannah Norton, Nancy Schaefer, and Michele Tennant. They presented 3 posters and 6 presentations.


Rolando Milan received his MLA Rising Star certificate at the annual awards banquet, and presented on his yearlong project to the MLA board.

On May 30, Michele Tennant delivered the invited presentation “Bioinformatics Librarian” at the City of Hope in Duarte, California. The presentation, which was part of a panel program for graduate students and post-docs in the biomedical sciences, was intended to provide information on alternative careers for those with PhDs in biology and related fields.

On June 4th and 5th, Michele Tennant, Hannah Norton, and Rolando Milan visited the University of Southern California’s Norris Medical Library to learn about their bioinformatics support services.

Michele presented two posters at the Special Library Association’s Annual Conference in San Diego, CA:


Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine, Miami, FL

Conference Participation: David Goolabsingh attended the 28th Annual Computers in Libraries 2013 Conference, which was held in Washington D.C., from April 8th – April 10th. The conference theme was on mobile devices and electronic collections and how their use is changing the spaces and services in libraries. It focused on the skills, competencies, and roles that are evolving in response to these changes in our communities, campuses, and organizations. A wide variety of speakers gave talks and presentations on a number of relevant issues facing libraries in the digital age. Topics included: Institutional Repositories, Evolving Tech Services to Manage and Deliver E-Resources, and Becoming TechCentral, to name a few.

Carmen Bou-Crick, Kim Loper, and Barbara Wood attended the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, “One Health: Information in an Interdependent World,” held from May 3rd – 9th, in Boston, Massachusetts, where they participated in Continuing Education courses, Committee Meetings, Roundtables, Exhibits, Poster Sessions, Section Programs and Meetings, and multiple other interesting activities. The information obtained was invaluable, and the networking opportunities great!

During MLA, Carmen Bou-Crick and Barbara Wood attended the CE Course on “Evidence-Based Librarianship in Practice: Using Evidence in Health Sciences Libraries.” This course was all about “the evidence” in libraries and taught participants how to: (1) formulate answerable questions, (2) find the evidence to answer those questions, (3) make use of tools for critically appraising published research, and (4) review some examples of how evidence can be applied by librarians in the real world. The educational objectives for that class were right on target in addressing issues confronted by librarians in their day-to-day practice!

Mary Moore was invited to attend an OCLC meeting held on May 21-22, in Dublin, Ohio. The purpose was to discuss game-changing questions and needed services. About 40 library directors from medical, law, and special libraries attended.

New Classes: The Reference/Education Team of the Calder Library, composed of Kim Loper, Carmen Bou-Crick, Jenny Garcia, and Barbara Wood, have been busy creating new class offerings specifically tailored to users’ needs. New courses that will be taught this summer at the Calder Library include: Tools for Researchers, Tools for Clinicians, Mobile Apps, and Evidence-Based Practice. Interest in these new classes has been keen, particularly in the Mobile Apps class. In addition, we will be designing classes on complying with the NIH Public Access Policy to assist researchers in their efforts to comply with this mandate.
Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Rose Bland was appointed as Interim Director in February 2012. She has been spearheading the process to create new vision and mission statements, along with a new strategic plan for the library. She was accepted into the NLM/AAHSL Leadership Fellows Program in the fall. Rose also received her graduate certificate in nonprofit management in December 2012.

Kristen (Morda) Sakmar was selected to volunteer for the MLA Research Agenda Systematic Review project! She'll be working with other medical/health science librarians from all over the world (via email and Adobe Connect) for the next 6-12 months on a systematic review question that was developed by the MLA research committee. Kristen was also promoted from Instructor to Assistant Librarian.

Allison Howard has been promoted to University Librarian beginning with the 2013-2014 academic year. In October 2012, she was accepted into the Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute and is working on a collection development leadership project. A library resources survey was completed by 630 participants over a span of 2 ½ weeks and has provided great information on training needs, training times and formats, collection satisfaction, access issues, and format preferences. Allison also renewed her AHIP membership at the Distinguished Level!

Krystal Bullers was awarded a Grace and Harold Sewell Memorial Fund stipend in the amount of $2,000 to attend the 2013 American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Annual Meeting this summer in Chicago. The Sewell Fund was established “to increase librarians’ identification with medical and health care professionals” through immersion and meaningful interaction with practitioners; the AACP annual meeting is the largest gathering of academic pharmacy educators, administrators, and staff. Krystal also presented a poster at the Florida Library Association meeting in May on the library’s LSTA grant on consumer health literacy. Following the close of the FLA meeting she will assume the position of Chair of the Leadership Development Committee. Krystal also became a Provisional AHIP member in October 2012.

John Orriola: John will be going on a phased retirement beginning July 31, 2013. He will be returning for just the fall semester beginning in 2014! John has been at Shimberg Library for 18 years. It won’t be the same around the library without John!

Shimberg Library’s Circulation staff has several developments to report, with two departures of Library Assistants and one arrival. In April, Frances Davis took a new job at the Cooley Law School Library and left with the well-wishes of the Shimberg staff. At the end of May, we celebrated the retirement of Kathy Goodman after nearly 30 years at USF, 24 of them at Shimberg Library – even the
patrons joined in, saying their goodbyes with gifts and cards. Shimberg week-nights won’t quite be the same without her. Finally, we welcome Amy VanMiddlesworth into the weekday opener position. Amy, with six years of circulation and ILL experience from USF’s Lakeland library, was able to hit the ground running, and she has rapidly proven to be a valuable member of the Shimberg team.

Harry Potter’s World: Renaissance Science, Magic, and Medicine (NN/LM Exhibit): The Shimberg Library had a great time with the Harry Potter exhibit that we hosted October 22-December 1, 2012. We had a wall of portraits of all library staff as well as some of the professors and administrators. We hosted an evening open house with costumed characters roaming around including a woman playing renaissance music on a lap harp, calligraphy, and sewing projects. We provided great wizardry snacks and, of course, butter beer. Several contests were held to guess one of three magical medicinal substances and to create the name for a new Every Flavor Bean! Life-size character cut-outs of Harry and Hermione, Professor Snape, and Dumbledore were available for photo-ops and decoration.

Around the South: Georgia

Robert B. Greenblatt M.D. Library, Georgia Regents University, Augusta, GA

Digital Information Portal: When disaster strikes preparation can be key to helping those in need. To ensure that first responders to public health emergencies have the reliable information they need, Greenblatt Library partnered with Georgia East Central Health District to develop a web portal to bridge the information gap between public health partners and vital disaster information resources. The web portal was sponsored by funding from the National Library of Medicine (NLM) and highlights key NLM Disaster Information Management Research Center resources.

The web portal design and customized content were developed in response to an information needs assessment survey distributed to the emergency response community. The top local natural disaster risks were identified as tornado, flood, and winter weather. Man-made disaster concerns focus on chemical spills, radiation emergencies and fire. The web portal links to each potential hazard for emergency planning, disaster response, and community recovery. The web portal also links to additional disaster topics, mobile resource tools, a guide to public health and disaster medicine, and a directory of disaster organizations. Local resource links include public health websites, coordinating hospitals and emergency services maps, and media communication outlets. Training materials will be developed to focus on identified high risk topics.

iPad Checkout Service: The new iPad checkout service allows GRU students,
faculty, and staff to check out one of the six iPads (4th Generation) for a 4-hour loan period for use while in the Library. Each iPad is equipped with a keyboard case and comes pre-loaded with a sampling of apps—some for school, some for work, some are just for fun!

Greenblatt Library Faculty Publications
Lindsay Blake & Darra Ballance (2013): Teaching Evidence-Based Practice in the Hospital and Library: Two Different Groups, One Course. Medical Reference Services Quarterly, 32:1, 100-110.

GRU FIT aims for better health: Over the past 20 years, there has been a dramatic increase in obesity in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control, more than 35.7 percent of U.S. adults are obese. The economic consequences of obesity are severe. The “GRU Fit” project is aimed at addressing this important public health problem. GRU Fit is a competitive walking program encouraging greater awareness of fitness and health and is intended to increase physical activity, lower body weight and blood pressure.
Established by Vice Provost Dr. Roman Cibirka and spearheaded by Dr. Vernon Barnes of the Georgia Prevention Institute and Dr. Brenda Seago, Director of University Libraries, GRU Fit has been initially launched for staff in selected departments including University Libraries, Enrollment Management, Admissions, Area Health Education Center, Financial Aid, Office of Global Affairs, PACE, and the Office of the Registrar.
GRU Fit participants receive a pedometer and are given a daily walking distance as well as optional stress reduction modules sessions. Participating staff in these initial departments are split into teams and will compete for combined distance (steps) walked per week as measured by pedometers. Nearly 100 employees have signed-up to participate in this eight week program. See more at: http://report.gru.edu/archives/16805#sthash.eRj1AVxf.pdf.

Ballance Receives Health Literacy Award: Darra Ballance, M.L.I.S., A.H.I.P., was awarded a grant from the National Network of the Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region. The Health Literacy Award of $5000 will focus on the GRU Child Care Center and its teachers. A series of classes focusing on early childhood wellness and nutrition will be facilitated through the use of iPads purchased with grant funds. Ms. Ballance will work in partnership with Dr. Nancy Webb, Interim Director of the Child Care Center and faculty member of the Georgia Prevention Center, to complete the grant.
Around the South: South Carolina

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

Express Outreach Follow-up Award: Roz McConnaughy, Assistant Director for Education and Outreach, and Steve Wilson, Coordinator, Center for Disability Resources Library, received a $5,783 Outreach Follow-up Award from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region for their “Creating the InfoAble Portal” project with the Columbia office of Family Connection, a support network for families who have children with special needs. With this award, six Family Connection offices will be interconnected with a videoconferencing system to improve access to technology for training sessions and support group meetings. In addition to developing tutorials for the InfoAble Portal and CDR Library, individuals from each of the Family Connection offices will receive in-person training in the use of these information resources and services.

Conference Participation: Roz McConnaughy attended the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges Southern Group on Educational Affairs/Southern Group on Student Affairs in Savannah, GA and presented the poster, “Designing an Interactive Tutorial for an Interprofessional Course” on April 18.

Christine Whitaker, Collection Development Librarian, attended the ONE HEALTH /MLA conference in Boston where she moderated a roundtable discussion on Negotiating With Vendors, and moderated the contributed paper session, Open Access in Action.

Laura Kane, Assistant Director for Information Services, has been recognized in the State Service Awards program for 20 years of service.

Library, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC

PICO Is on the Move, Conducting a Technical Assistance Workshop on Wadmalaw Island, SC, a Community Leaders Institute on James Island, SC, and a Made-for-Television Dialogue in Columbia, SC: The Medical University of South Carolina’s (MUSC) Public Information and Community Outreach (PICO) Program conducted the Wadmalaw Island, SC, Technical Assistance Workshop (TAW) in E.L. Frierson Elementary School’s Media Center on March 9, 2013. Thirty-six 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, South Carolina State University, Wadmalaw Island Community Center,
and E.L. Frierson Elementary School. Ms. Deborah N. Blacknall, CRA, Grants Administrator & Assistant Officer, and Ms. Gwendolyn F. Mitchell Ulmer, CRA, Grants Administrator, from the Office of Sponsored Programs at South Carolina State University guided the program participants through the steps of grant writing. The purpose of this TAW was to emphasize essential “how-to” skills needed for preparing and managing a “good” grant application.

MUSC-PICO conducted the James Island, SC Community Leaders Institute on May 3-4, 2013, at the James Island Elementary School, and ninety community leaders were in attendance. This event would not have been made possible without the sponsorship of 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, James Island Elementary School, and the Town of James Island. Mrs. Deborah Davis-Fickling, Principal of the James Island Elementary School, welcomed the CLI to her school by serving on the planning committee along with other community leaders to heighten attendance and participation. The CLI’s panels consisted of the role of government, youth issues and challenges, economic development, housing, transportation, community development, and health disparities. Panelists (partial listing) included The Honorable Bill Woolsey, James Island Mayor; The Honorable William Dudley Gregorie, City of Charleston; Mr. Harvey Wilkins, SCDHEC; Mr. David Smalls; Communities in Schools; Ms. Michele Cardwell, USDA; Mr. Larry Knightner, HUD; Dr. Brent Egan, MUSC; Dr. Marvella Ford, MUSC; and Ms. Melissa Mitchell-Polite, Fresenius Medical Care. Dr. Egan supported healthy eating tips with local statistics and biblical scriptures. Mr. Knightner provided pamphlets for potential new homeowners regarding what to look for when purchasing a home, as well as available loans.

In addition, MUSC-PICO conducted a Made-for-Television Dialogue entitled: Our Nation’s Health: A Focus on Social Determinants on May 30, 2013. The dialogue was held at South Carolina Education Television in Columbia, SC. The Medical University of South Carolina, Southeastern Virtual Institute for Health Equity and Wellness (SE VIEW-MUSC-DOD), the U.S. Department of Energy, and South Carolina State University sponsored this event. Mr. John King, CNN’s Chief National Correspondent, served as the moderator for the event. Panelists included Mr. Milton Bluehouse, Jr., Esq., Founder of Tribal Consultation Resources, LLC; Ms. Kathy Ko Chin, President and CEO of the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF); Dr. Gail Christopher, Vice President for Program Strategy at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation; Dr. Thomas Ellison, Co-Founder of Health Education Linkage Programs, Inc. (PROJECT H.E.L.P. USA); Ms. Lisa Garcia, Esq., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Dr. Britt Rios-Ellis, Professor at California State University Long Beach (CSULB) and Director of the NCLR/CSULB Center for Latino Community Health, Evaluation, and Leadership Training; and Dr. Steven A. Wartman, President of the Association of Academic Health Centers.
Under Dr. David Rivers’ leadership, Dr. Glenn Fleming, Mr. Richard Jablonski, and Dr. Latecia Abraham continue to work toward reducing the burden of health disparities. PICO has taken programs to the community and partnered with local community leaders with the intent of improving the quality of healthcare and life.

**NLM grant awarded to Waring Library for botanical theses:** In April, the Waring received notice that it had been awarded a $9,000 National Library of Medicine Express Digitization grant. This is the second such award the Waring has received from NLM. This new project will result in the digitization of 140 theses written between 1830 and 1860. The theses selected for this project pertain to botanicals and other materia medica. Since we began MEDICA, our user statistics indicate that the topic of botanicals is by far our most searched category. In order to satisfy a demonstrated need of our users, we have selected 140 theses about topics ranging from specific botanicals (i.e. Apocynum androsoemifolium, Lobelia inflata, quinine) to chemicals (mercury, iron, potassium iodide). All selected theses document mid-nineteenth century medical pedagogy and are relevant for today’s researcher interested in the history of medical education, therapies, and materia medica. Each handwritten thesis ranges from 11 to 63 pages. A total of 2,982 pages of medical theses, with an additional 2,982 pages of transcripts, will then be loaded into the library’s Digital Library, MEDICA. This one-year grant will begin immediately.

**MUSC University Records to be digitized in Statewide Grant Project:** The University Archives is participating, along with thirteen other South Carolina libraries and archives, in a $25,000 grant-funded scanning project overseen by Lyrasis/Internet Archive and USC’s South Carolina Digital Library. Through a Mellon grant, Lyrasis and the Internet Archive are working together to scan bound materials at a reduced rate, from ten to fifteen cents per page for a limited time. Archivist Brooke Fox, with assistance from Digital Archivist Jennifer Welch, identified eleven publications in the collection and prepared them for scanning. Items for scanning include yearbooks from 1967 to 1971 and annual bulletins, 1969 up through 1976, as well as a copy of former College of Nursing dean, Ruth Chamberlin’s book The School of Nursing of the Medical College of South Carolina – Its Story. USC staff will help in the creation of metadata for scanning and coordinate the project. Each publication will be available and full-text searchable through the Internet Archive, the South Carolina Digital Library, and MEDICA.

**The Waring Historical Library is pleased to announce its newest online exhibit:** Surviving Flexner: How the Medical College of the State of South Carolina Became a State Institution, 1913. Surviving Flexner: How the Medical College of the State of South Carolina Became a State Institution, 1913 commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Medical College’s transfer to state ownership. The exhibit tells the history
of the Flexner Report and its influence on medical education in the United States and Canada while focusing specifically on its impact on the Medical College. The exhibit explores the collaboration and negotiations between Dr. Robert Wilson, Dean of the Medical College, and South Carolina Governor Coleman Blease in saving the college from certain closure.

**National Film Preservation Foundation Awards Second Preservation Grant to the Waring Historical Library:** Robert P. Walton, MD, PhD’s groundbreaking work on the strain gauge arch to be preserved. The Waring Historical Library was awarded a basic preservation grant in the amount of $2170 through the National Film Preservation Foundation (NFPF) to preserve the film, *Mechanical Measurement of the Heart in Situ*. The film documents Dr. Robert P. Walton’s early heart research using the Walton-Brodie strain gauge arch. *Mechanical Measurement of the Heart in Situ* depicts an early spring-loaded lever system for a kymograph, a device that graphically records motion or pressure, as well as an early strain gauge used in a procedure on a close-chest dog. Both devices were improvements on the rod and string method of measuring heart contractions that was depicted in the Waring’s first NFPF preserved film, *Contractile Force*. This original film is the only copy in existence of this particular experiment. It was filmed circa 1949.

The Walton-Brodie strain gauge arch was used for many years by numerous national and international scientists interested in how the heart generates the force necessary to pump the blood through the blood vessels. It was sewed onto the outside of the heart muscle to measure the force of the contraction of the heart, beat by beat. It was used experimentally in animal studies and was ultimately used in patients undergoing open-heart surgery. With the use of the strain gauge arch, physiologists and pharmacologists were able to understand how drugs work to affect the way in which the heart generates its force of contraction in response to drugs, physiologic stimuli, and diseases. Though the device is no longer in use, the lessons learned from using it provide the basis for current understanding of how the heart works today.

The film will be digitized and made available online through MEDICA, the institutional repository and digital archives of the Medical University of South Carolina. MEDICA was created to provide access to current research of MUSC faculty and students, as well as the historical archival collections held at MUSC’s Waring Historical Library and University Archives.

The Waring Historical Library is one of 24 institutions to receive funding from the National Film Preservation Foundation during its summer 2013 grant cycle.

For more information about this announcement, please contact Ms. Brooke Fox, MUSC University Archivist at 843-792-6477 or foxeb@musc.edu.
Greenville Health System Health Sciences Library, University of South Carolina School of Medicine – Greenville, Greenville, SC

The GHS Health Sciences Library Is on Facebook! As of May 21st, the Health Sciences Library of the Greenville Health System is on Facebook! With our group of users growing to include physicians, medical professionals, and medical school faculty and students, we realized a presence on Facebook was necessary. Please visit the page and Like us to stay updated with what’s happening in the library!

Around the South: Tennessee

The Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association Exhibit: The Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association (THeSLA) received a State and Regional Exhibit award from the NN/LM/Southeastern Atlantic region to staff a booth at the 2013 Tennessee Library Association Annual Conference recently held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. On display was the new THeSLA exhibit board highlighting member libraries and their accomplishments as well as materials dedicated to National Library of Medicine electronic resources. Southern Chapter/THeSLA members manning the booth included Biddanda (Suresh) Ponnappa from Quillen College of Medicine Medical Library, Cynthia Vaughn and Michael Lindsay from UTK Preston Medical Library, and Jan Haley and Kelly Lee, Saint Thomas Health.

Hospital Librarians

Call for nominations

The SCMLA Hospital Libraries Committee is accepting nominations for the Hospital Librarian of the Year Award for 2013. The instructions and nomination form are available online at http://www.scmla.org/docs/hospawa_ratingcriteria.pdf. Nominations are due by July 31, 2013. Please consider nominating your deserving colleagues!
Volunteers needed for oral history interviews

The Southern Chapter MLA History of the Chapter Committee is looking for volunteers to conduct oral interviews with retired (or close to retiring) members for the Oral History Project (see http://www.scmla.org/home/oralhistory)! The Committee members (see below for the current member list as well as http://www.scmla.org/home/historycommittee) have already identified, and in some cases contacted, a few likely candidates. We need your help, however, to identify and interview more! Oral history interview guidelines and suggested questions are available at http://www.scmla.org/home/oralhistory_information. In addition, naturally, Committee members will be at your disposal for technical questions and assistance. Please contact Kay Hogan Smith, SC/MLA History Committee Chair, at khogan@uab.edu or (205) 934-2208 for information or to volunteer — and thank you in advance!

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Member Accomplishments

New Southern Expressions Section! To recognize the accomplishments of SC/MLA members, the Public Relations and the Communications Committees are introducing a new section in this issue of Southern Expressions. Within this section, individual members receiving awards, earning professional designations, and other professional accomplishments and/or activities will be highlighted.

Following are recent accomplishments of SC/MLA members:

Awards:
T. Scott Plutchak received the Medical Library Association (MLA) Fellow Award, presented at One Health (MLA ’13).
Employment:
Joe Swanson, Jr. - named Director of the MSM Library at Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta, GA.

Publications:
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Social Media:
MSM Library at the Morehouse School of Medicine has utilized Facebook to provide students and library patrons with up-to-date information regarding library renovations.

SC/MLA would like to recognize your professional accomplishments! Please send your announcements to the SC/MLA Public Relations (PR) Committee or Mary Katherine Haver, Chair - PR Committee at: haver.mk@gmail.com. Thank you!
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SC/MLA’s Program and Local Arrangement Committees would like to invite you to the 2013 Annual Meeting in Ridgeland, Mississippi. This meeting promises to bring out your Art of Information. Come to Ridgeland as we deliver speakers on hot topics, engage in the careful design of CE opportunities, and display your papers & posters. The meeting wraps up with an evening at the Mississippi Craft Center.

Speakers:
Dr. Howard S. Teitelbaum, professor and chair of Preventative Medicine at Lincoln Memorial University. In 2011 Dr. Teitelbaum was named the national educator of the year for osteopathic medical schools. Dr. Teitelbaum will speak on the future of health information and medical librarianship.

Dr. Ralph Didlake, director of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine. After practicing transplant, general, and vascular surgery for 23 years, Dr. Didlake currently focuses on professionalism education, research ethics, and the medical humanities. Come listen to Dr. Didlake speak on ethics of healthcare information.

Panel Forum: Copyright, Author Rights, NIH Compliance, and Faculty Outreach: what you need to know.

Lisa Macklin is the director of the Scholarly Communications Office for Emory University Libraries. She will speak on open access as it applies to author rights/copyright.

Susan Steelman is currently an Associate Professor and Head of Education and Reference Services at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Library. Learn how librarians can be on the frontline of compliance with NIH’s Public Access Policy.

Emma Heet
Emma Heet is the Associate Director, Collection and Technical Services at the Duke University Medical Center Library & Archives. Find out how to engage your audience with outreach tips on the difference between open access and public access.

The ‘go to’ place for the latest information on SC/MLA’s annual meeting: https://www.facebook.com/SCMLAA2013