The best way to predict the future is to create it.
---Peter Drucker

In the last newsletter, I talked about my goal of increasing our Chapter member’s involvement and participation on committees or just in the Chapter activities in general. But that is easier said than done. Our Chapter has a long history and new members often feel left out and just don’t know how to get involved or overwhelmed by how much work it looks like it takes. We need to share our history and experience with new members.

The Southern Chapter has a long and varied history. We are made like a quilt with each member contributing something special. Just like our Martha Childs Watkins Scholarship ornaments. According to our website, The Martha Childs Watkins Scholarship was established in 1996 to honor Martha, who was not only past president of SC/MLA, but also a founding member of the Southern Conference of Hospital Librarians (SCHL), and a friend and mentor to a generation of hospital and other health sciences librarians in the South. The Scholarship provides fast business funding to current Southern Chapter members who work in a hospital library and who want to take a course or workshop at the Southern Chapter annual meeting. Through sales of quilted ornaments and raffled needlework at the annual meeting, the Chapter raised enough money to endow the scholarship in 1999.

We need to do a better job sharing this legacy with our new members so they understand just who Martha Watkins was and why we honor her with this scholarship. The generation she mentored can honor her best by mentoring the next generation.

I am challenging past and current Chapter leaders, officers, committee chairs, and committee members to act as coaches and mentors. Here’s what I want you to do. Check out our newly updated, mentors section on our website to sign up for our formal mentoring program or you can simply make it a goal to find someone that would be a terrific leader for a committee or the chapter and start a conversation. Introduce them to how our chapter leadership works. Tell them the things you wish you
had known when you first started in the Chapter or how you ended up working on a committee or how you got to be on the executive board. What were your secrets for getting the work done? What shortcuts did you find along the way? Think about what you've learned over the years, and pass it down to the next person. Show them how participating in Southern Chapter can benefit not just the Chapter, but also their own career goals. We can predict our future by passing down our history and creating the future we want for our Chapter. Why not take the time now to pass along your hard-won knowledge.

Just a reminder, in addition to the Martha Watkins Scholarship, the Chapter offers numerous opportunities for awards and recognition for leadership, research, teaching, innovation and many other criteria for first time attendees to long-time service to the Chapter. So if you have had a mentor who has helped you or know someone who might meet the criteria, please take a moment to read about our honors and awards. We have lots of opportunities such as the First Time Attendee Scholarship, the Hospital Librarian of the Year, Academic Librarian of the Year, and the T. Mark Hodges Outstanding Service Award, our Chapter’s highest award. It is a real shame with all the talent in our Chapter that some of these are not awarded due to lack of nominations.

Jan Orick, Chair, Southern Chapter/MLA
Once of my goals upon retirement was to serve as a Reading Buddy at my local elementary school. As a librarian, I know the importance of being able to read to the future success of an individual. A Reading Buddy works with a student that is reading below grade level, allowing the student to read a book and helping them understand the story in the book. I started in September working with a first grader. That experience provided so rewarding that in January I added a second first grader.

Another goal was to participate in a mission trip. In December, I joined a group of health care professionals and health care students through the Christian Medical Ministry of South Alabama to deliver medical care in Trinidad. There were physicians, medical students, physical therapists (PT) and students, occupational therapy students, nursing students and audiology students. Medical clinics were held for three days in Port-of-Spain and one day at Bridge of Hope, an orphanage and school on the other side of the Island. Clinic the first two days was at an area of town where there was gang warfare so we had a Trinidad police escort to and from the site and a guard at the facility. (It was a little exciting to have the escort as we had priority through the traffic.) The third day the clinic was held at a community center and was followed by a Christmas party for children in the community. Team members had taken toys to be distributed to the children. The fourth day clinic was at Bridge of Hope.

It was so gratifying to see the clinicians and students from the various professions work together and learn about each other's expertise. They were able to work without many of the restrictions they faced in the United States.

We stayed at a complex that was very secure and comfortable (except for the lack of hot water in the shower and the need to use bottled water for brushing your teeth.) Breakfast and dinner was served there and our lunch was delivered to our work site. In the evening we would walk to the corner to get a “Doubles”, a traditional Trinidad food which was a spicy chick-pea mixture on a piece of fried dough. We saw “Doubles” stands throughout the area and people were even purchasing them for breakfast.

One child who came to one of the clinics was born with spina bifida. In the US, a child would receive an operation within 6 hours. This child waited 6 days. As a result
he was not able to walk or even stand, even though he was 3 years old. A PT had seen a brace in the Good Will store locally and purchased it thinking it would come in handy someday. As the PT team packed their supply bag, they debated on whether or not to take it but decided to do so. The brace fit the child and he was able to stand for the first time! Since then, a member of the team has sent him a walker so he can learn to walk on his own. And plans are underway to provide funds to bring him to Mobile for further surgery and therapy. We were so thankful that God had prepared the way for the child to receive the help he needed.

Since I am not a health care professional, I planned activities for the children based on the true meaning of Christmas. Again, the librarian in me came out as I enjoyed telling stories and reading books to the children.

On our last day we were treated to a trip across the mountains, through the rain forest to the beach. It was a rainy day, but the water was beautiful. And we were able to enjoy Bake and Shark, a traditional fast food dish in Trinidad, fried shark on a bun, with a multitude of toppings. The mango slaw was my favorite.

Promoting literacy is always a goal of a librarian, even those retired.

Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL

Meet Lister Hill Library’s Newest Faculty: UAB Libraries welcomes the return of Emma O’Hagan as Assistant Professor and Clinical Research and Education Librarian, embedded in the Department of Anesthesiology. Emma spent the last 2 years at the Western Michigan University School of Medicine in Kalamazoo, MI, as they established a new digital library. She began her library career at UAB’s Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, as reference librarian and liaison for the School of Nursing.

In this newly created position, Emma will be working in UAB Hospital, managing the departmental library and its resources, and supporting the education and information needs of clinical faculty, residents, and researchers in the Department of Anesthesiology. She will assist with systematic reviews and attend rounds and conferences where she can search the literature for answers to clinical questions as they
occur.

A Birmingham native, Emma has a B.A. in International Studies from Rhodes College and a Masters of Library and Information Sciences from the University of Alabama.

Emma O'Hagan

**Around the South: Florida**

Charlotte Edwards Maguire Medical Library - Florida State University College of Medicine, Tallahassee, FL

**FSU Publishing Symposium, Publish or Perish: Conversations on Academic Publishing:** The PLAID Journal participated in a one-day symposium, “Publish or Perish: Conversations on Academic Publishing,” held at FSU’s Strozier Library on Thursday, February 12, 2016. During the event, PLAID editorial team members, including Roxann Mouratidis, Erica Heasley, Dr. Shenifa Taite, Mark Bauer, and Martin Wood, were on hand to answer questions from participants about the process of starting an open access research journal.

![Photo Credit: Florida State University; The PLAID Editorial Team from left to right: Dr. Shenifa Taite, Martin Wood, Roxann Mouratidis, Mark Bauer.](image)

**FSU Copyright Symposium, Institute on Copyright in Higher Education:**
Roxann Mouratidis, MSLIS, AHIP, and Terri Johnson, MSLIS, AHIP, attended the FSU Copyright Symposium, Institute on Copyright in Higher Education at the Turnbull Conference Center in Tallahassee, Florida on Friday, February 26, 2016. The conference was attended by librarians and other interested stakeholders from across Florida.

Roxann Mouratidis is currently a member of the FSU Libraries Copyright Committee and served on the Planning Committee for this event. The program was live streamed and recorded for those unable to attend in person. The recording will be available in [FSU’s Research Repository](#) soon.
Random Acts of Coffee: During March mid-term exams, the Maguire Medical Library hosted a “Random Acts of Coffee” event for first and second year students studying in the library after 5PM. Free hot coffee was provided, as well as coloring pages of the human anatomy and other designs for those med students who needed a mental break for a few minutes.

Coffee and coloring pages for the students.

Roving Researchers: Informatics Librarian, Terri Johnson, MSLIS, AHIP, spent a fair amount of the spring traveling to regional campuses across the state of Florida. While on the road, she was able to provide instruction to FSU clinical faculty, residents, and students on “Introduction to Mobile Medical Apps” and “Searching and Accessing Full Text Journal Articles.”

Erica Heasley, MSLIS, AHIP, completed the National Library of Medicine Training
Center’s course, “PubMed: Train the Trainers,” consisting of three online sessions and one face-to-face meeting held on January 28 at the National Library of Medicine Training Center at Florida International University’s Green Library.

Robyn Rosasco, MSLIS, AHIP and Susan Epstein, MSLIS, AHIP recently completed the six week online course, Fundamentals of Bioinformatics and Searching through the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. Provided in an online, asynchronous format, the course provides health information specialists training in using online molecular databases and tools from NCBI.

Following the online course, Robyn Rosasco, MSLIS, AHIP, attended the week-long in-person bioinformatics training course, A Librarian’s Guide to NCBI at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. As a continuation of the prior training, she was able to practice searching molecular databases in order to better help users in biomedical sciences navigate NCBI search tools.

**Oh, Canada:** Rebecca Harrington, MSLIS, AHIP, Roxann Mouratidis, MSLIS, AHIP, and Martin Wood, MSLIS, AHIP will be presenting at the joint meeting of the Medical Library Association (MLA), the Canadian Health Libraries Association/Association des bibliotheques de la sante du Canada (CHLA/ABSC), and the International Clinical Librarian Conference (ICLC), in Toronto, Canada, May 13-18, 2016.

Rebecca Harrington will be presenting a poster, “Becoming Part of the Bigger Picture: Improving Partnerships Across Campus to Provide Improved Interdisciplinary Access to Institutionally Licensed Resources.”

Roxann Mouratidis, MSLIS, AHIP, and Martin Wood, MSLIS, AHIP will be presenting a paper, “Libraries as Publishers: Creating an Open Access Journal to Connect Patients and Providers.”

**Pick your poison:** Our newest traveling exhibit from the National Library of Medicine, “Pick Your Poison: Intoxicating Pleasures and Medical Prescriptions,” caused quite a stir at the College of Medicine this March. The library hosted a fun reception to celebrate the arrival of the exhibit, complete with pharmacy and themed goodies highlighting the mind-altering drugs discussed in the “Pick Your Poison.” There were poppy seed muffins (opium), “special brownies” (marijuana), Coke (cocaine), cigar-shaped cookies (tobacco), and “Sans-gria” (alcohol). With the medical students in the middle of studying their “bugs and drugs,” it was no wonder our reception was so well-attended.
Team building and staying S.A.F.E. during library strategic planning: The library completed its fifth annual strategic planning session this past January. Each year during strategic planning the library staff participates in a morale-boosting team building activity. This year we choose to take a woman’s self-defense class taught by UCF Police officers trained by the National Self-Defense Institute. The Self-defense Awareness & Familiarization Exchange (S.A.F.E.) course is meant to provide attendees with information, tactics, and options for dealing with crimes commonly perpetrated against women.

The library’s team 2016 Strategic Planning session included a woman’s self-defense class, intense planning, and our annual “bracelet power” tradition.
Hosting a heart healthy activity for national heart month: To celebrate National Heart Month, the library piloted a new program aimed at COM medical students. Every Friday at noon for the month of February we set up a Nintendo Wii U gaming console with the Wii Fit U game to encourage students (and anyone else who wanted to participate) to get up and move for an hour. Popular games included hula hooping, yoga, obstacle course, rowing, ski jumping, soccer and racquetball. The library’s Public Services team will be evaluating the success of the program to determine if the Wii U will become part of the library’s regular programming in the fall.

Bring your own lunch: The library began a new monthly lunch and learn series in February called “BYOL: Bring Your Own Lunch.” Our first session, “How to be a Google Power User,” was a huge success. Shalu Gillum, Head of Public Services, lead the lunch and learn and shared with attendees tips and tricks for getting the most out of everyone’s favorite search engine. Shalu recently completed “Super Searcher: Enhancing Your Online Search Super Powers,” an excellent 4 credit hour class from the SEA taught by Tony Nguyen, that focused on advanced search features of Google and other search engines. Shalu shared tips she learned from that class, including how to search for related sites, how to find files of a particular type, quick search tips, and more. The next BYOL sessions will be “Basic Technology Troubleshooting” and “Copyright Conundrums.”

Attendees watch a video about how Google search works during the library’s first BYOL Lunch & Learn session.
Popcorn Day Gets Magical! The library’s weekly Popcorn Day activity got a little magical this March with the return of the crazy-popular “Magical Mix-Ins!” Twice a year the library spoils COM students, faculty, and staff by providing a long, circulation desk-worth’s of fun popcorn toppings, including M&M’s, cinnamon sugar, peanuts, marshmallows, and more. Hungry patrons lined up all the way around the library front desk while the Public Services team frantically refilled mix-ins bowls. Last October the library participated in Multicultural Week by offering a diversity-inspired Magical Mix-Ins such as wasabi peas, garam masala, curry powder, and Mediterranean seasoning. This time Magical Mix-ins helped us celebrate National Popcorn Lovers Day!

Shalu Gillum, Head of Public Services (right) highlights the library’s epic popcorn toppings bar for Magical Mix-Ins.

Library Team Accomplishments and Conference Attendance:
Shalu Gillum, Head of Public Services, completed Copyright for Multimedia from Duke University, Emory University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (MOOC from Coursera).

Pamela Herring, Electronic Resources Librarian, worked with Judy Spak on revising and editing the Annotated Bibliography of Journals for Educational Scholarship sponsored by AAMC-GEA's Medical Education Scholarship, Research and Evaluation Section (MESRE). This document is revised about every 2-3 years.

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

Current exhibit: Calder Library will proudly host, *Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons* from March 14 to April 23, 2016. The exhibit is a collaborative effort between the National Library of Medicine and the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture in Baltimore. It tells the stories of four pioneering African American surgeons and educators who exemplify excellence in their fields, and are continuing the journey of excellence through the education of mentoring younger physicians and surgeons.

Health fairs: *The Mitchell Wolfson Sr. Department of Community Service* (DOCS) and UM medical students have been organizing health fairs throughout South Florida for over 40 years. Calder Library faculty and staff collaborated at several of the health fairs these past few months. JoAnn Van Schaik, Kimberly Loper, Geddy Paulaitis, Erica Powell and Ed Vinson participated at the Florida Keys Health Fairs on January 30th, Geddy Paulaitis went to the Ft. Lauderdale Health Fair on January 13th, and Erica Powell attended the Liberty City Health Fair on March 12th.

A poster was created using pictures taken at DOCS Health Fairs throughout its history and was showcased during a fund-raising activity to support the health fairs. The fund-raiser was held at the University of Miami’s Coral Gables campus and was very well attended by many faculty, medical students, and donors. The new University of Miami President, Dr. Julio Frenk, spoke on the importance of giving back to the community where we live, work, and study.

*Poster created by Calder Library's Department of Biomedical Communications for the DOCS Health Fairs’ fundraising activity.*

Staff news: Kelsa Bartley recently completed a six-month certificate course in Social Media Management at the University of Miami. Kelsa has been managing Calder Library’s Social Media presence along with a committee made up of library faculty and staff members.
Carmen Bou-Crick successfully completed the University of Miami’s *Essentials of Leadership* program. The six-month program is designed to advance the development of the University’s managers through interactive modules, leadership discussions, individual assessments, experiential learning activities, and coaching. Graduation was held at the Alumni Center in Coral Gables on February 9, 2016. Carmen was sponsored by Calder Library’s Interim Director, JoAnn Van Schaik.

*Graduates from the Essentials of Leadership program.*

**Facebook campaign:** Calder Library hosted its first Facebook campaign during Valentine's week with the “Love Shots” Photo Contest. Patrons were asked to “Like” Calder Library’s Facebook page and to post a photo showing what they loved about the Library, using the hashtag #LoveCalderLibrary. The prize for the most liked photo was a $25.00 Starbucks gift card. The contest doubled the Library’s Facebook page likes and increased traffic on the page by over 500%.

*Announcement for the “Love Shots” Photo Contest on Calder Library’s FB page.*
The winning photo, shown here, gathered 250 “Likes” on the Calder Library FB page.

Photo contest winner Adriana Wong (left) collects her prize from Reference Department Manager, Kelsa Bartley (center). Adriana’s co-star in the winning photo, Rachel McKean, is on the right.
Around the South: Georgia

Mercer Medical Libraries, GA

New library space: The Health Sciences Library in Savannah, Georgia moved into a new space in February 2016. The library serves the Savannah campus of Mercer University School of Medicine as well as Memorial University Medical Center. The new library space features a book nook, a conference room, lounge, study carrels, and eight computer workstations. Their new address is 1250 East 66th Street in the Hoskins Building.

Staff news: Carolann Curry, Reference & Outreach Librarian at Mercer Medical Library in Macon, Georgia was selected to serve on the MLA Books Panel. Her three-year appointment will begin June 2016.

Around the South: Mississippi

Rowland Medical Library, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS

RML: The ILLUMINATED LIBRARY: Rowland Medical Library has completed a conversion from fluorescent lighting to new energy efficient LED lighting. After testing various levels of intensity to meet library requirements, a standard was reached for the 13.5 ft. high ceilings. The conversion eliminates the constant replacement of burned-out fluorescent lights, which seemed to never end. Thinking we would need sunglasses, or at least tanning oil, it was much easier to adjust to
having brighter lights than expected. With the construction of a new medical school building blocking most of the library’s natural lighting, the brighter lights are a welcome improvement.

![Image of new lighting above compact journal shelving]

**Installation of new lighting above compact journal shelving**
*Left: fluorescent lights, Right: LED lights*

**New AtoZ list: 360 LINK:** As 2016 dawned, Rowland Medical Library introduced its new AtoZ list for electronic resources, 360 LINK. One welcome new feature of 360 LINK is the ability to search by DOI or PubMed ID numbers. The conversion went smoothly and links are being added daily to increase resources. At about the same time, ClinicalKey was added as a major resource for electronic books, journals and videos.

**FOOD: FOR THOUGHT, FOR LIFE:** Rowland Medical Library is hosting the “FOOD: For Thought, For Life” educational poster campaign series sponsored by the UMMC Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities (CBMH) in collaboration with the Mississippi Humanities Council (MHC). The 10 topics covered are to inform and engage Mississippi communities on important health and nutrition issues while celebrating the state’s unique culinary traditions. The Library will rotate the poster displays every few weeks until all 10 have been viewed. For more information: [https://www.umc.edu/Administration/Centers_and_Institutes/Center_for_Bioethics_and_Medical_Humanities/Food_For_Thought_For_Life.aspx](https://www.umc.edu/Administration/Centers_and_Institutes/Center_for_Bioethics_and_Medical_Humanities/Food_For_Thought_For_Life.aspx)
Staff news: In her role as the president of the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL), Ruth Riley attended the Board of Directors annual mid-winter meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, February 16th – 19th.

Karen McMullen, Head of Access Services, has been appointed as a member of the Beatty MLA Volunteer Service Award Jury.

Steve Wilson, Web Architect and Outreach Librarian, has been approved for membership in the Medical Library Association (MLA) Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) at the Distinguished Member level. Felicia Yeh, Deputy Director, has also successfully renewed her AHIP membership at the Distinguished level.

SC/MLA Program Committee

The SCMLA Annual Meeting will be held October 2 – October 6, 2016 at the Westin Poinsett in beautiful Greenville, SC. Tara Douglas-Williams, Program-Chair and her Committee are planning an engaging meeting you do not want to miss. Thank you to Fay Towell and her local arrangements team for agreeing to host this meeting. They are busy planning an awesome meeting and scheduling a few tours for your enjoyment.

The 2016 Theme is “Re-Think IT: The Evolving Landscape of Libraries. IT is capitalized to represent whatever your Libraries' IT is. Maybe it is redesigning/repurposing space, adding innovative services or programs, information literacy and outreach projects in the community, collaborating in research and data management, patient care and improving outcomes. Whatever you decide IT is time to Re-Think to enhance your Library we would love for you to share.

One of our speakers will be Dr. Kimberly Skarupski, Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Associate Professor, Department of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University – School of Medicine. We are looking forward to an engaging conversation with her on the changing landscape of academic medicine. We are also excited to announce there will be a Leadership Panel discussion. Some of the participants are Sandra Franklin, Shannon Jones, John Meador, and Ruth Riley. Please
don’t forget to place the dates on your calendar. For more information, visit the conference website and this link to sites and attractions of Greenville. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dijV3kEGg7Q We hope to see you there!

66th SC/MLA Annual Meeting

A Day of Delights

On Sunday, October 2, 2016, our hosts for SCMLA in Greenville, S.C. will offer a tour to include a visit to the home of Carl Sandburg in Flat Rock, N.C., a trip to the Burntshirt Vineyards with wine-tasting and lunch on the patio, concluding with a brief shopping stop in nearby Hendersonville, N.C. Cost should be close to $65 including bus transportation from the Westin. Details will follow in the next issue. Please plan to join us!!!

CARL SANDBURG moved to this home in Flat Rock, North Carolina (about 40 minutes from Greenville) in 1945 to have a quiet place to write where his wife
could raise her goats. It was here that Sandburg wrote over 1/3 of his works and where he died in 1967.

Folklore has it that farmers at one time burned the land here for planting crops and tossed in their shirts for good luck! Thus **BURNTSHIRT VINEYARD**, 3,400 feet above sea level, has been a family-owned business for the past 80 years. Enjoy a tour, including samples of the local wine and lunch on the patio.

End the day in **HENDERSONVILLE, N.C.**, a charming, well-preserved, town with architecture taking you back to the 19th and early 20th century. There are numerous interesting shops on Main Street, including Kilwins Chocolate and the Marble Slab. Nice way to complete the day!
Several Southern Chapter members received 2016 MLA awards. Please congratulate these members on their hard work and dedication to the field of health sciences librarianship. Those attending the annual MLA meeting can honor recipients at the Presidents’ Awards Dinner on Tuesday, May 17, starting at 6:30 pm.

**President’s Award**

Brenda L. Seago, Greenblatt Library, Georgia Regents University–Augusta  
*In recognition of outstanding work implementing the new way of selecting and providing programming for Mosaic ’16*

**Rising Stars 2016–2017**

Tony Nguyen, AHIP, National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region, Health Sciences & Human Services Library, University of Maryland–Baltimore

Gregg A. Stevens, AHIP, Pharmacy and Health Professions, Monroe F. Swilley, Jr. Library, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA

**EBSCO/MLA Annual Meeting Grants**

Elizabeth G. Hinton, AHIP, Rowland Medical Library, University of Mississippi Medical Center–Jackson
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