My time as Chapter Chair is passing quickly. MLA has come and gone and our annual meeting will be here before we know it. The Program Chair Tara Douglass-Williams and Local Arrangements Chair Fay Towell and their committees are hard at work planning and preparing for our meeting October 2-6 in Greenville, SC. This year’s theme is Re-Think IT: The Evolving Landscape of Libraries. IT is capitalized to represent whatever your Libraries’ IT is. In our new library space at St Jude, we are working to re-Invent our services in a new space. People don’t seem to come to the new library space looking for our help; they come looking for a place to study or to use a computer. So the library staff is moving out of the library space and taking our services to them. We are going to where they work.

We make ourselves available when they need our skill sets to help them with their projects. How are you changing or evolving your library services or library spaces to meet the needs of your institution? Make your travel plans now to come to Greenville and share your ideas and hear what others are doing.

Your committee chairs and appointed officers have been hard at work this year! All the Committee chairs and appointed officers have updated or are working on new procedures manuals that will be posted on our website. These manuals are important for the smooth transition of our Chapter leadership and the overall operation of the chapter. In order to help prepare new leaders for committee responsibilities, the Research, Honors & Awards, Professional Development, and Public Relations Committees now have co-chairs. These co-chairs will spend a year working closely with the committee chair to learn how the committee works and what they are supposed to do for the Chapter. When it is time for them to become Chair, they will be way ahead of the curve and ready to work from day one.

At the Executive Board Meeting at MLA in Toronto, the question was raised about if we could pay our dues electronically. I have
asked Sandra Bandy our Database Manager to form a task force to investigate options for electronic payment for our chapter. Our Archivist, Kay Hogan-Smith is also chairing a task force to complete the inventory and work on procedures for entering and maintaining items in our Chapter archives. Both will report back to the Executive Board at our meeting in Greenville. If you have any items you would like the Executive Board to address, please let me know and I will put them on the next agenda or forward them to the appropriate committee chair.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Greenville, SC!

Jan Orick, Chair, Southern Chapter/MLA
USA Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

Meet USA’s new Information Services/Outreach Librarian: Rachel Fenske has been appointed the new Information Services/Outreach Librarian at the University of South Alabama’s (USA) Biomedical Library. She comes to the Library from the beautiful island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands where she worked in various capacities at the University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix Public Library System and the local high schools. With over 29 years of experience as a reference and instruction librarian, primarily in the academic sector, she is no stranger to assisting faculty, students and community patrons in all aspects of information literacy and health advocacy. In 2010, she was granted an NN/LM SE/A award to provide instruction on *PubMed* and *MedlinePlus* to health care professionals, nursing students and community users on the small island of St. Croix where there was limited access to libraries and information resources. Her outreach extended to HIV/AIDS agencies, the Virgin Islands Department of Health, and various social services on the island. Providing awareness to the free, scholarly, and reputable medical resources available through the National Library of Medicine opened doors to many island residents. It was through this grant that her interest in outreach developed and was nurtured. Educating community users about health concerns and providing information on how to reduce health risks relevant to the region was most rewarding, especially when HIV/AIDS was the biggest health concern with diabetes and heart disease following close behind. It is her goal to continue this outreach to the various communities of Mobile and the surrounding area, in addition to, the patient populations of the University’s Health System.

Her research interests have always been in the area of assessment and active learning. She is committed to ensuring that instruction to students and outreach to the community is of the highest quality and seeks ways to improve the delivery of instruction to best serve her clientele.

While living on St. Croix for 13 years, she and her husband lived on a 40’ Endeavor sailboat. Living and sailing in the Caribbean was a dream that came true. The lifestyle of a live aboard suited her well. Her commute was jumping in a dinghy in the harbor and motoring to the dock where she slipped on her high heels and went off to work. She and her husband sailed and explored the islands of the Lesser Antilles and embraced the various cultures of the islanders. She kept a journal of her travels.
and hopes to publish them one day to share the wonderful experiences of living on a boat. Her husband is a glassblower and is excited to learn about the Glass Arts Program at the University of South Alabama. He hopes to continue his presence in the Caribbean as well as expand his business along the Gulf Coast. Originally from Mobile, Rachel is excited to be back home with family and looks forward to reconnecting with old friends. She and her husband enjoy the outdoors and are excited to explore the waterways of the Gulf Coast once again.

She received her Master’s of Library Service degree from the University of Alabama in 1987 and a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from the University of South Alabama in 1985. She was a tenured library faculty member at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, WA and the University of the Pacific in Stockton, California.

Rachel Fenske

Around the South: Florida

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

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

Roxann Mouratidis, MSLIS, AHIP, and Martin Wood, MSLIS, AHIP presented a

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

Rebecca Harrington presenting her poster at MLA

**Rural Learning Experience:** Informatics Librarian, Terri Johnson, MSLIS, AHIP, participated in the FSU College of Medicine’s Rural Learning Experience or RuLE on Friday, June 3 and visited Wakulla County as part of this activity. RuLE invites faculty to accompany the new class of medical students to local rural communities to give students an initial experience in rural health issues. During the visit Terri accompanied the students to the Wakulla County Health Department and the Senior Center which provided a panel discussion consisting of local physicians and officials to provide the students with insight in the local health of their community.

**New Faces:** Tara Hagan and Danae Souders are the newest members of the Maguire Medical Library team.

Tara is the library’s Technical Services Library Associate and just earned her master’s degree in Library and Information Science from Florida State University. Tara updates the FSU online catalog when the medical library purchases new e-books and ensures that e-resource links are working properly. She also collaborates closely with the E-resources librarian on statistics to determine whether the library should or should not keep an item in the collection.

Danae Souders is the library’s Administrative Specialist. With years of experience in university administration under her belt, Danae keeps the entire library team on track and manages all administrative functions including budget, purchasing, travel, event planning, and assists the librarians as needed in other areas.

We’re glad to have Danae and Tara on board!
The PLAID Journal's New Issue Is Here! The PLAID Journal, People Living with and Inspired by Diabetes, has published Issue 3 with a focus on the Patient’s Perspective. PLAID is an open access, peer-reviewed interdisciplinary research journal focused on encouraging dialogue between healthcare professionals and people living with diabetes. It is published twice a year by the Maguire Medical Library and is available online to all readers.

The PLAID in New Orleans: Editorial team members, Erica Heasley, Roxann Mouratidis, and Martin Wood promoted the PLAID Journal at the American Diabetes Association’s 76th Scientific Sessions in New Orleans, Louisiana from June 10-14, 2016. The international conference offers researchers an opportunity to share and learn about advances in diabetes research, treatment, and care.

During the conference, the editorial team promoted the journal’s mission to connect diabetes research with the patient community, interacted and met with potential authors and researchers, and promoted the journal’s publications. Visitors to the PLAID booth included PLAID authors, clinicians, researchers, certified diabetes educators, patients, and members of the Diabetes Online Community. PLAID author and patient advocate, e-Patient Dave deBronkart, stopped by to pose for a
shot with the PLAID team.

Roxann Mouratidis, e-Patient Dave, and Martin Wood at ADA.

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

Librarian of the Year! Library Director Nadine Dexter was named Librarian of the Year by the Florida Health Sciences Library Association during the annual meeting in Tampa, Florida in April 2016. The award is given to individuals who have shown dedication and made significant contributions to his or her library. Nadine, a past president of FHSLA, has been responsible for starting two brand new medical libraries, at Florida State University and at University of Central Florida, respectively. Under her leadership, the Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library has been a national leader in tablet deployment.

Nadine Dexter (center), with her Librarian of the Year award at the FHSLA conference. Nadine was nominated by friends and colleagues Kaye Robertson (NSU) and Allison Howard (USF) (from left).
Librarians at Commencement: This May the University of Central Florida College of Medicine graduated its last founding class. The Class of 2016, with 100 students, was the last class to begin at UCF COM before we welcomed our first “full” class of 120 students in 2013. Shalu Gillum, Head of Public Services, and Natasha Williams, User Services Librarian, participated in the commencement ceremony by walking with fellow COM faculty. UCF President John C. Hitt, College of Medicine Dean Dr. Deborah German, Dr. Judith Simms-Cendan, and Class of 2016 graduate Dr. Farrah Dosani, all gave inspirational commencement addresses. Follow us on Twitter and Instagram to see more pictures from #COMmencement (@UCFCOMHSL).

MLA in Toronto, Canada: All five of our faculty librarians attended the Medical Library Association annual meeting in Toronto, Canada from May 13-18, 2016. Shalu Gillum and Natasha Williams presented a poster entitled, “Medical Librarians’ Role in Clinician Recruiting in the Information Age”. The poster described librarians’ collaboration with the College of Medicine Department of Internal Medicine and COM HR Department to determine where best to recruit clinicians for an academic medical center, and involved some interesting Google searches.
Deedra Walton, Head of Electronic Resources, and Shalu Gillum presented a paper presentation on behalf of the library faculty titled “Librarians as Part of the Big Picture: Collaborating with Faculty and Instructional Designers to Create a Rubric for Students on How to Use Evidence-Based Medicine Resources.” The presentation explained the process our team developed with the Practice of Medicine faculty to evaluate first year medical students on their use of evidence-based medicine library resources to answer clinical questions during their patient encounters.

Pamela Herring, Electronic Resources Librarian, presented a poster titled “Developing a Replicable Methodology for Automated Identification of Emerging Technologies in Health Care”, on which she collaborated with a team of librarians from other institutions as part of the Emerging Technologies Team for MLA. The poster described a systematic review-type process the team used to create a simple way for librarians to search PubMed for emerging technologies related to health and medical libraries.

AAHSL New Directors Symposium Wraps Up: The Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) New Directors Symposium, which ran from November 2015 through May 2016, wrapped up at the Medical Library Association annual meeting in Toronto, Canada. Nadine Dexter, member of the planning committee for the symposium, participated in the sessions, which began in Baltimore, Maryland last November, and ended at MLA with talks on budget, the life of a director and how to staff the library.

Paving the Way for Librarian Promotion: This April Shalu Gillum, Head of Public Services, became the first medical librarian at UCF COM to be successfully promoted. Prior to Shalu’s journey through the promotion process, there was no path for medical librarians to advance to the next rank. The Health Sciences Library team worked closely with the COM Faculty Development team, Department of Medical Education, Dr. Richard Peppler, Associate Dean for Faculty and Academic Affairs, and the UCF Office of Faculty Excellence, to create and refine guidelines for medical librarian promotion, which had to be approved at the departmental, college, university, and Provost levels. The new guidelines, which closely mirror existing guidelines for medical education faculty, also take into account the unique ways librarians contribute to teaching, research and scholarship, professional service, and library service. Shalu was hired in 2010 at the rank of Instructor, and her new rank of Assistant Librarian will be effective August 2016.

Publications & Accomplishments

Nadine Dexter published the following article: Dexter N. Staffing the “Born Digital” Library. MLA News. Published online May 2016. Available: http://www.mlanet.org/blog/staffing-the-born-digital-library
Deedra Walton published the following article: Walton D. R2 Digital Library Review. *Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries*. (2016). Published online 25 May 2016. DOI:10.1080/15424065.2016.1178617


Shalu Gillum was appointed editor for the *eBookshelf* column for *Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries*.

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**Health Science Center Library - Borland, University of Florida, Jacksonville, FL**

**Travel:** From April 7th through April 8th, John Reazer attended the Florida Health Sciences Library Association (FHSLA) Annual Meeting at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He served as FHSLA’s President and Co-Chair of the Program Committee.

*JR with FHSLA Annual Meeting logo contest winner & new FHSLA Vice-President*

*JR with FHSLA Annual Meeting scholarship winners*
From May 13th through May 18th, John Reazer attended the Medical Library Association (MLA) Annual Meeting in Toronto, CANADA. He was a co-author for a Lightning Round Presentation- “Increasing Access, Reducing Stigma: Improving HIV/AIDS Communication in North Florida” (w/ Margaret Ansell, Hannah Norton, Gretchen Kuntz, and Michele Tennant).

**Presentations:** April 15th, John Reazer gave a MS PowerPoint presentation entitled, “HIV and AIDS Information Resources” to the general public at the Jacksonville Public Library’s Dallas Graham Branch Library. This effort is part of our HIV/AIDS Outreach Project contract (NLM) which was awarded to the University of Florida, as one of the contract recipients.

**Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Medical Library, Florida International University, Miami, FL**

Frank Fajardo of Florida International University, with Gregg Stevens of Mercer University Atlanta, presented the poster “Building Connections…” at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Medical Library Association in Toronto, ON. In the poster, both librarians discussed their first year as liaisons at their individual institutions working with different health sciences student populations and their outreach. The poster session was well attended and many questions were asked regarding best practices.

Additionally at MLA, both librarians facilitated the Cross-Cultural Mosaic Café. This session involved an interactive discussion about working with different cultures and populations. Librarians from all around the world shared their experiences and provided useful ways of making connections and fostering partnerships across cultures.
Staff news: Rose L. Bland attended the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries New Directors Symposium at MLA which concluded the seven month program designed to prepare and support new academic library directors. Krystal Bullers, Allison Howard, John Orriola, Randy Polo, and Kristen Sakmar co-authored a poster titled “How Long Does It Take to Paint Your Part of the Big Picture: The Time Librarians Spend on Systematic Review Tasks” which was presented at the Medical Library Association annual meeting in Toronto. The poster was the result of a survey to determine how much time medical librarians spend on different tasks related to systematic reviews. Krystal presented the poster at the conference on May 17th. To view the poster and abstract, click here: http://www.eventscribe.com/2016/posters/mla/SplitViewer.asp?PID=MzM1ODU1MDIwOQ.

Randy Polo contributed to the design and creation of a poster presented by Allison Edmonds-Poff of the USF College of Nursing on March 13, 2016, at the EDU-SIM 2016 Conference—Transforming the Educational Landscape: Simulation, Innovation and Technology, in Clearwater, Florida, which was hosted by Drexel University, College of Nursing and Health Professions. The poster was titled The creation of a college of nursing, health sciences library collaboration by Allison Edmonds-Poff, PhD, ARNP, FNP-BC, Kathi S. Katz, PhD, MSN, RN, NEA-BC & Randy Polo, JD, MA. The poster presentation described an experience in an academic health sciences center where a collaboration need was identified and a process established in order to facilitate communication between a college of Nursing and a health sciences library. Presenters hoped to tell the story of how to structure an idea in order to gain institutional support and formalize a process of communication between nursing faculty, students and their supporting library.

Annual Meeting of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association: The Shimberg Health Sciences Library hosted the Annual Meeting of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association April 7-8 2016 at the University of South Florida Tampa Campus. The theme of the meeting, Digging Deeper into Health Care
Research, featured CE instructors Gaelen Adam who taught Grey Literature and Nancy Allee who taught Planning, Conducting & Publishing Research. USF’s School of Information provided speakers for the meeting. Steven Walczak presented “Text Mining Analytics for Determining Theoretical Versus Applied Research Type from Journal Articles” and Steve Gary spoke about “Cyber Threats to the Health Sector”. Shimberg Library Staff hosted a reception at the Muma College of Business and attendees were treated to a pet therapy visit from Shimberg Library’s Pet Staff featuring Snitch, a Golden Retriever who serves as the library’s ambassador and her friends. Attendees enjoyed a candy bar and various games including a chance to practice their golf skills!

Around the South: Georgia

Georgia Campus – Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Suwanee, GA

Skye Bickett was a co-author for the poster titled Developing a Replicable Methodology for Automated Identification of Emerging Technologies in Health Care. Co-authors include P.F. Anderson, Joanne Doucette, Pamela Herring, Andrea Kepsel, Tierney Lyons, Scott McLachlan, Carol Shannon, and Lin Wu.

Skye also served as a moderator for the discussion on Library Redesign at Chapter Council Sharing Roundtables.
Mercer Medical Libraries, GA

Gregg Stevens was involved with several events at the Medical Library Association annual meeting in Toronto.

He presented a poster with Frank Fajardo of Florida International University, *Building Connections: Outreach during the First Year as a Liaison Librarian*, and also together with Frank he was a table facilitator at the roundtable session *The Cross-Cultural Mosaic Café*. (See the FIU article in this newsletter for more details.) On his own, Gregg was the moderator for the paper session *Teaching Evidence-Based Practice: Methods and Outcomes*.

Most notably, Gregg was presented as one of the four participants in this year’s MLA Rising Star Program. The leadership course, revised for this year, will involve readings, monthly discussions, and exploration of MLA’s structure and operations. The program will culminate in projects relating to MLA sections and special interests groups. The project results will be presented at next year’s MLA meeting in Seattle. At this year’s MLA meeting, he was introduced to the MLA staff, officers, and committee members who will play a role in the course during the next year. All four program participants attended two special events held at the Fairmont Royal York: a reception hosted by outgoing MLA president Michelle Kraft, and the following evening a banquet on the closing evening of the meeting.

**Gregg Stevens**

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New Faculty: Gail Kouame, MLIS, has been named the Chair, Research and Education Services at the Augusta University Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library. Gail joins us from Seattle, Washington where she is the Assistant Director for the Health Evidence Resource for Washington State (HEALWA), based at the University of Washington Health Sciences Library. HEALWA is unique program in the US, providing a digital library for health care providers throughout the state of Washington, funded by a small add-on fee the providers pay when they obtain or renew their professional licenses to practice. In her position as Assistant Director, Gail interacts with a wide spectrum of health care providers as well as with the State Legislature and the Department of Health. She provides outreach services to promote HEALWA through presentations, training sessions, and exhibits at national and regional professional conferences.

Prior to her position with HEALWA, Gail worked for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Pacific Northwest Region as Consumer Health Coordinator and later as Public Health Outreach Coordinator. In these roles, Gail partnered with stakeholders in five states in the Pacific Northwest: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. She was actively engaged in teaching and training, reviewing and overseeing health outreach projects, and promoting health information resources to diverse audiences. She has written multiple publications, and has been invited to speak on topics such as rural health issues and resources, improving health literacy with inmates in a county detention center, and collaborating with tribal communities.

Gail received her MLIS degree from the University of Washington in Seattle, WA, and her BA in Sociology and Psychology from Willamette University in Salem, OR. Prior to becoming a librarian, Gail worked as a social worker in long-term care. She has been active in professional associations and has held several positions at the local, regional, and national levels.

Gail will begin on July 5, 2016.

Awards & Honors: Dr. Brenda Seago, professor and director of Libraries, was awarded the 2016 President’s Award by the Medical Library Association at Mosaic ’16 in Toronto, Canada on May 17.

Seago said she was “surprised” and “honored” to find out she would be receiving the award.

One of MLA’s highest honors, the President’s Award is given each year to MLA members selected by the association’s officers and Board of Directors for a notable, important contribution made during the past year. By MLA standards, said contribution must have enhanced the profession of health sciences librarianship or furthered MLA’s objectives.
**MLA Annual Meeting:** Brenda Seago, Julie Gaines, Sandra Bandy, Lindsay Blake, Peter Shipman, Kim Mears, Vicki Burchfield, and Ansley Stuart attended MLA, May 2016 in Toronto, Canada.

The librarians were very active during the meeting participating in both paper and poster presentations. Papers presented by Greenblatt include: “Evaluating an Embedded Program: Increasing Awareness, Expanding Services, and Fulfilling Patron Needs” by Lindsay Blake, Darra Ballance, Vicki Burchfield, Maryska Connolly-Brown, Kathy Davies, Julie K. Gaines, Kim Mears, and Peter Shipman; “Creating a Mosaic of History Lectures for the Health Sciences” by Sandra Bandy and Renee Sharrock. Posters presented were “Facilitating Access to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT)-Specific Health Information for Patients and Providers” by Lindsay Blake, David Kriegel, and Lara Stepleman; “Piloting an Online Evidence-Based Practice Course for Nurses” by Kim Mears and Lindsay Blake; “Library on Demand: Developing an Education Outreach Webinar Series” by Kim Mears, Kathy Davies, Lindsay Blake, Darra Balance, Maryska Connolly-Brown, and Ansley Stuart; “Two Years in the Life of a Nursing Embedded Librarian” by Vicki Burchfield; and “Field Study of the Evidence-Based Dentistry Activity of Predoctoral Students and Preceptors at Off-Campus Dental Offices” by Peter Shipman.

**Other Presentations:**


Publications:


Upcoming Conferences: Kim Mears was selected as a participant in the SHARE Curation Associate program. This program provides an opportunity for library professionals to develop digital curation and computational thinking skills to enhance local institutional repositories in a service-learning setting. She will attend training at the Center for Open Science offices in Charlottesville, Virginia, on July 14-15, 2016.

Miscellaneous News: Greenblatt Library hosted the 2016 Augusta University and University of Georgia Student Scientific & Medical Illustration Exhibition from April 15-May 31st. More than fifty masterful pieces of scientific and medical illustration were on display. The scientific artwork documents and explains the natural world around us, and the medical artwork enlightens and inspires us about the world of health science and the inner-workings of the human body. The illustrations were created by students in the BFA program in scientific illustration at the University of Georgia and in the medical illustration graduate program at Augusta University.
Shepherd Center, Atlanta, GA

Christine Willis (Shepherd Center), Tara Douglas-Williams (Morehouse School of Medicine), and Shannon Glover (WellStar Health System) presented a poster titled *Search Smart for your Health - a Statewide Health Literacy Campaign* at MLA. Christine received a Hospital Libraries Section Professional Development Award for the poster.

Christine also presented a poster on the redesign of her library. The poster was titled *Noble Learning Resource Center Reboot.*

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

Rowland’s director, Susan B. Clark, and reference librarian, Elizabeth Hinton, AHIP, presented two posters at MLA 2016 in Toronto: *Designing a Library Resource Module for an Interprofessional Curriculum* and *Student Perceptions of Librarian-Facilitated Interprofessional Education Sessions.* The latter included input from Dr. Mitzi Norris, Executive Director for Academic Effectiveness.

Dean James, Serials & ERM Librarian, attended the 16th annual Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference in Austin, TX. The ER&L Conference brings together information professionals from libraries and related industries to improve the way libraries collect, manage, maintain, and make accessible electronic resources in a rapidly changing online world. Attending ER&L is an excellent way to explore trends, ideas, leadership, and technology in electronic resource management.
**Heather Holmes**

**Around the South: South Carolina**

The Medical University of South Carolina's Department of Library Science & Informatics is pleased to welcome Heather Holmes to its faculty.

Heather became the Associate Director for the Libraries in February 2016. In this position, Heather is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Library, including supervision of a diverse staff of librarians, technologists, and support staff in areas including reference, education, evidence-based practice, resources/collections, and learning commons. Heather joins us from Summa Health System's Akron City and St. Thomas Hospitals in Akron, OH where she was a Clinical Informationist. She received her Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1998. She has presented at several international meetings including MLA and the Alliance for Continuing Medical Education (ACME) and was invited to the International Congress on Medical Librarianship (ICML) in Brisbane, Australia, in 2009. Holmes is a 2010 recipient of the National Library of Medicine's biomedical informatics fellowship held in Woods Hole, MA, as well as one of Library Journal's Movers & Shakers for 2011. She is also a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) and the 2014 recipient of the Medical Library Association’s Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship.

**Waring Historical Library announced the addition of the South Carolina Medical Association Oral History Collection in MEDICA**
The digital collection consists of oral history interviews of 24 past presidents of the South Carolina Medical Association (SCMA). The former presidents discuss their educational backgrounds, careers in medicine, and the major issues affecting the field of medicine and SCMA during their tenures as president. The physicians also offer their perspectives on the state and future of medicine at the time the interviews were conducted. The topics include: health care costs, malpractice insurance, health care reform, state medicine, physician participation in medical societies, early perceptions of the AIDS epidemic, and health care access and quality, particularly in rural South Carolina. The interviews were conducted by Drs. Laurie L. Brown, M.D., Charles S. Bryan, M.D., and MUSC student Bryan Robinson, and video-recorded by Dr. Allen Brown, M.D., and MUSC student Manya Greene between 1992 and 1994.

To view the collection, visit: http://digital.library.musc.edu/cdm/landingpage/collection/scm.

For more information about the digital collection, please contact Digital Archivist, Tabitha Samuel at samuel@musc.edu.

Renovations have begun on the Macaulay Museum of Dental History at the Medical University of South Carolina.

Located in the historical heart of the Medical University of South Carolina campus in Charleston, the Macaulay Museum of Dental History was established in 1975 by Dr. Neill W. Macaulay for whom the museum is named. Dr. Macaulay was an avid historian of dental practice and during his lifetime amassed a large collection of dental memorabilia. Dr. Macaulay’s collection is one of the few remaining dental museums in the country and showcases the dental profession including practice and education. The project will include total interior renovation and exhibit redesign. The rededication of the museum is scheduled for April 2017 to coincide with the 50th anniversary celebration of the founding of the James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine at MUSC. Follow renovation progress on Instagram at macaulay-museum.
PICO Conducted the 9th NCHD+NEJC, and Community Leaders Institutes in Orangeburg, SC, and on St. Helena Island, SC

The Medical University of South Carolina’s (MUSC) Public Information and Community Outreach (PICO) Program co-hosted its Ninth Annual National Conference on Health Disparities and the National Environmental Justice Conference & Training Program: A National Dialogue for Building Healthy Communities (9th NCHD+NEJC) on March 9-12, 2016, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC. The purpose of the national conferences on health disparities is to incorporate historical context, proven strategies and visionary thinking to offer guidance to those individuals, communities, health care providers, funding agencies, political leaders and public policymakers who seek reduction and elimination of health disparities.

This joint 9th NCHD+NEJC brought together over 400 community leaders, academia, students, the private sector, state and local officials, as well as federal government representatives to create a national dialogue for building healthy communities and to emphasize the unique relationship between environmental protection, human health, Environmental Justice, and economic development as an essential part of community development.

Sponsors included the Medical University of South Carolina, Morehouse School of Medicine, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, California State University Monterey Bay, Allen University, National Urban Fellows, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust, and Howard University College of Medicine. Supporters included AmeriHealth Caritas, Kaiser Permanente, US Department of Energy, SE VIEW-MUSC-DOD, Coca-Cola Company, Paladin Healthcare Management, Hollis & Company, LLC, and the conference was partially supported by New Venture Fund with support from Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

9th NCHD+NEJC Student Research Forum Winners

On Wednesday, March 9, 2016, 69 students from 32 academic institutions (colleges
and universities) nationwide participated in the Undergraduate & Graduate Student Research Forum to present their posters during the forum; in addition, students made oral presentations, which described their research regarding health disparities.

On Thursday, March 10, 2016, Ms. Carol Jimenez, Deputy Director of the Office of Minority Health, US Department of Health and Human Services, provided the overview of health disparities, and she spoke about the past, present, and future of health equity, referencing the 1985 Landmark Report of Secretary Margaret Heckler’s Task Force on black and minority health.

On Thursday, March 10, 2016, Dr. Valerie Montgomery Rice, President and Dean, Morehouse School of Medicine, provided a Keynote Address, and she defined health equity as “giving people what they need, when they need, and how much they need.” Dr. Rice made the point that we need health equity to ensure that all receive ample health care. She also mentioned that African Americans lead in HIV diagnosis. She stated that to achieve health equity, one needs to have access in general, access to education, access to research, access to preventive care, access to public health, and be engaged in the community. In addition, Dr. Rice discussed the social determinants of health, and mentioned for one to achieve health equity, he or she must have insurance coverage, be employed, be educated, have adequate housing and transportation.

In addition, Mr. Brandon Webb, Chief of Staff, Office of Congresswoman Robin Kelly and Mrs. Christina McWilson Thomas, Esquire, conducted the Congressional Roundtable Discussion. Mr. Webb mentioned that The Kelly Report, developed by Congresswoman Robin Kelly (IL-02), “spotlights the root causes, engages communities of color about health care, and develops a blueprint to eliminate health disparities.” Mr. Webb mentioned that Congresswoman Robin Kelly would introduce the Health Equity and Accountability Act in the upcoming two weeks, and he discussed that one-third of African American patients suffer with kidney failure and are two times more likely to have diabetes. He concluded with a five-point plan to eliminate health care disparities: comprehensive, quality health care access; workforce diversity; innovation to increase digital access; community engagement (community health care workers improve outcomes through education); and the will of Congress to act in the best interest of all Americans. Ms. McWilson Thomas stressed that Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence always makes time to address her constituents’ needs.

On Friday, March 11, 2016, Ms. Gina McCarthy, EPA Administrator, mentioned that the Flint, Michigan, water contamination occurred because the government wanted to save $3 million dollars, but this is at the sake of the youth’s health. Ms. McCarthy stressed the government’s role in compromising the health of Flint, Michigan, residents when health should be a shared value. Another presenter, Mr. Glenn Ellis, Strategies for Well-Being, gave a synopsis of the Cuban Health System; between 1992-2013, Cuba has conducted 140 clinical trials, and in 2007, Cuba submitted a translational research application for DIRAMIC – a system for rapid mi-
crobiological diagnosis. Cuba has the capacity to meet 80% of its domestic demand for its prescription drugs, and Cuba has created a national biomedical Internet grid (INFOMED). Cuba has the lowest AIDS rate in the Americas.

On March 12, 2016, Mr. Derrick Watchman, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise, explained that approximately 28.2% of American Indians are living below the federal poverty line, and the median household income for American Indian and Alaska Natives is $37,353. According to Mr. Watchman, Native Americans find that health inequities are directly linked to determined and deliberate efforts of American federal, state, and local governments to uproot American Indians from their lands, eradicate their languages, and destroy their ways of life. Mr. Watchman also stated that Native American populations are viewed as vulnerable groups; therefore, research shows that Native American communities are designated as areas suited for Uranium mining, toxic waste locations, petroleum dumps, and coal strip mining locations, which are Environmental Justice issues. Mr. Watchman shared that federally recognized Native American tribes are granted sovereignty – the right to establish their own forms of environmental regulation within boundaries of jurisdiction. Mr. Watchman stated the following as ideas to rectify the wrongs: utilize tribal sovereignty to create and enact policy that will have positive impacts on community health, and build community coalitions to develop community-based priorities, solutions, and strategies that will influence policy.

In addition to co-hosting the 9th NCHD+NEJC, the Medical University of South Carolina’s (MUSC) Public Information and Community Outreach (PICO) Program conducted the Orangeburg, SC, Community Leaders Institute (CLI) on April 8-9, 2016, at the Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College in the Roquemore Auditorium. The presenters covered the role of government, youth issues and challenges, economic development, housing, transportation, community development and health disparities. Sponsors included the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), Allen University, Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, the U.S. Department of Energy (U.S. DOE), the City of Orangeburg, Southeastern Virtual Institute for Health Equity and Wellness (SE-VIEW-MUSC-DOD), the County of Orangeburg, and the Regional Medical Center of Orangeburg and Calhoun Counties. This event was free to the public, and 207 professionals, community leaders, and students attended and disseminated information in the community on environmental protection, human health, Environmental Justice, and economic development.

On Friday, April 8, 2016, Dr. Walt Tobin, President of Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, welcomed the Medical University of South Carolina and attendees to the campus. On Saturday, April 9, 2016, Congressman James E. Clyburn, Assistant Democratic Leader in the US House of Representatives (SC-06), served as the Keynote Speaker. He gave a Keynote Address that primarily engaged the students who were in attendance. Congressman Clyburn spoke about his wins and losses, and
more importantly, he reminded the youth to never to give up, to follow their dreams, and to remain positive, even in times of defeat. Immediately following his speech, Congressman Clyburn graciously took a photo with the health professional students.

On Saturday’s Youth Issues and Challenges Panel, Dr. Stephen Peters, Principal of Orangeburg-Wilkinson High School in Orangeburg, SC, served as the panel’s moderator, and he stressed the importance of altruism. He explained that teachers find themselves compelled to help students who may need a helping hand or money to buy the bare necessities such as books to study; he also expressed how important it is to listen to students’ cries for help and to even find shelter for them if necessary. Ms. Kelly Wannamaker, Director of the Orangeburg County YMCA, played a video that depicted the children learning how to swim during the summer at the YMCA, and in the video, the children who found a place of solace at the YMCA expressed what an impact the YMCA had on their lives. Dr. David E. Rivers, Associate Professor and PICO Director at the Medical University moderated the Economic Development, Housing, Transportation, and Community Development Panel, and he gave pertinent statistics pertaining to Orangeburg County. Mr. C. Gregory “Gregg” Robinson, Executive Director of the Orangeburg County Development Commission, gave a captivating presentation by discussing all of the economic expansion that will soon affect Orangeburg County with new businesses moving to Orangeburg and surrounding areas to bring jobs to the area. Immediately following lunch, Dr. Latecia Abraham, PICO Instructor, moderated the Health Disparities/Health Issues Panel, where she noted that the CLI was being implemented during the National Public Health Week, and she referenced President Barack Obama’s proclamation, where he mentioned the importance of us working together to build stronger, healthier communities, also highlighting the Affordable Care Act and Let’s Move Initiative. She also stated what factors the American Public Health Association found to constitute “good health.” The CLI culminated with Dr. David S. Simmons, Associate Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of South Carolina, presenting how studies showed that stress negatively impacts health, and Ms. Lathran Woodard, Chief Executive Officer of the South Carolina Primary Health Care Association in Columbia, SC, shared that Well-Vista offers assistance for patients to get their medications.

In addition, PICO launched its first in a series of Climate Change Community Leaders Institutes in the historic PENN Center’s Frissell House on St. Helena Island, SC, on May 14, 2016. While Climate Change is a global phenomenon, its localized impacts require community-level action. The purpose of these Climate Change Institutes is to help leaders know how to obtain information necessary for making good decisions and communicating that information to their colleagues in the community. Sponsors included the Medical University of South Carolina, Allen University, US Department of Energy, South Carolina ETV, and the South Carolina
Aquarium. The event generated 60 attendees. The Institute commenced with The Honorable Billy Keyserling, Beaufort’s Mayor, welcoming the program attendees to Beaufort, SC, while Ms. Ingrid Owens, the PENN CENTER’s Director of History, Arts, and Culture, welcomed the program attendees to PENN CENTER, a national historic landmark district, located on St. Helena Island, SC. Dr. David Rivers gave an overview of the work PICO has done in addressing climate change including the documentary that was moderated by CNN Chief Correspondent Mr. John King. Next, Mr. Richard Jablonski, MUSC-PICO’s Research Associate, introduced the video by providing background before actually showing the climate change video to the audience.

Then, Mr. Kevin Mills, SC Aquarium’s President and CEO, moderated the panel that included a dialogue, explaining how Beaufort, SC, has been impacted by climate change. The panelists included Dr. Jeffrey Payne, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s Office of Coastal Management’s Acting Director, who addressed nuisance flooding, and Mrs. Kate Parks Schaefer, Coastal Conservation League’s South Coast Director, who addressed retreat, mitigation, and adaptation along with individual action and policy change. Other panelists included Mr. Roland Gardner, Beaufort-Jasper-Hampton Comprehensive Health Services’ CEO, who mentioned how the lack of bridges is detrimental to rural-area residents and how Community Health Centers must prepare for infectious disease and must have adequate immunizations for children. Rev. Dr. Nannette Pierson, Sandalwood’s Community Food Pantry’s Founder and Executive Director, manages a food pantry in Hilton Head, SC, and she mentioned that preparation is the key to success. Lt. Col. Neil Baxley, Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office’s Emergency Management Division Commander, mentioned the need to prepare for infrastructure to combat the problem of not being able to access homes due to massive flooding. The event culminated with SC ETV Staff and Mr. Jablonski conducting interviews of experts in the field of climate change and with Dr. Latecia Abraham concluding the program.

PICO is now preparing to host its Tenth Annual National Conference on Health Disparities (NCHD) in New Orleans, Louisiana (NOLA)! The 10th NCHD will be held at the J.W. Marriott New Orleans Hotel, 614 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA, on May 3-6, 2017. We hope to see you there!

Under Dr. David Rivers’ leadership, 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 impacting lives.
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Health Information Access and Technology Enhancement project at the Autism Academy of South Carolina: On May 4, 2016, Victor Jenkinson, Karen McMullen, and Roz McConnaughy conducted a training session for staff members at the Autism Academy of South Carolina as part of the Health Information Access and Technology Enhancement project at the Autism Academy of South Carolina. The training session covered MedlinePlus, the Center for Disability Resources Library, and the InfoAble Portal. Project funds were used to purchase six workstations for the computer lab at the Autism Academy of SC. This project was funded by the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region.

Staff news: Felicia Yeh attended the symposium on “Teaching & Learning in New Library Spaces: The Changing Landscape of Health Sciences Libraries.” This symposium was held in Philadelphia on April 18th and was co-sponsored by the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Middle Atlantic Region (NN/LM MAR), the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL), and the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region (NN/LM SE/A).

Ruth Riley attended the joint meeting of the Medical Library Association, the Canadian Health Libraries Association, and the International Clinical Librarian Conference in Toronto from May 12 to May 18.

Steve Wilson exhibited at the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) conference in Atlanta from June 6 to June 9.

The Library is proud to announce that three of its faculty members reached milestones in service with the University of South Carolina and the state of South Carolina in 2015. Felicia Yeh, Deputy Director, is being recognized for 30 years of service. Victor Jenkinson, Systems Librarian, is being recognized for 20 years of service, and Roz McConnaughy, Assistant Director for Education & Outreach, is being recognized for 10 years of service. Congratulations to Felicia, Victor, and Roz!
66th SC/MLA Annual Meeting

CE courses and Registration: The SCMLA Committee is awaiting confirmation from MLA on CE courses to be offered at our Fall meeting in Greenville, S.C. October 2nd – October 6th. So registration information is available at the time this issue goes to press along with registration and other fees, hotel reservations, tentative program schedule, events, and Conference Committee contacts.

As Local Arrangements Chair, I apologize for this delay. Please take a look at the meeting website for details and kudos to Steve Wilson from USC School of Medicine Columbia for getting the site up for us!

http://uscm.med.sc.edu/scmla2016

Fay Towell, Greenville Hospital System/USC School of Medicine Greenville
SCMLA 2016 Local Arrangements Chair

TOUR BMW: BMW's only U.S. manufacturing facility is located in Greer, SC, about 15 miles from downtown Greenville. The on-site Zentrum Museum, where Greenville hosted the Welcome Reception for the 1999 meeting, is closed for renovation. However, limited tours of the manufacturing plant are available and seeing this plant in action is definitely worthy of your time.

Tours are offered Monday through Friday. A tour takes about two hours and requires walking one mile.

Tours are scheduled two months in advance so call in early August. To schedule a tour, call Katie Smith at 888-868-7269, ext. 2, weekdays between 9:00 and 2:00.

Research Committee News

The date for submitting poster and paper abstracts for Southern Chapter may be past, but I hope you didn’t forget to submit your abstract for a Research Award! The first prize winner for research papers is $300 and the first prize winner for posters is $200. Help advance the research progress of the Southern Chapter and maybe even win a prize by submitting a research-oriented paper or poster for consideration.

Thank you,

J. Michael Lindsay, Chair, Southern Chapter Research Committee
Membership Committee News

The membership committee has been active in recovering members who had lapsed in their dues payment. As a part of this effort, on April 5th the committee sent a message to all of the non-renewed members to remind them that access to the listserv was a member benefit that would be lost as of April 30th. A message was also posted to the list to remind members of the benefits and service as shown below:

Membership Benefits and Services
- Professional growth and development through:
  - Continuing education opportunities
  - Informational programs offered at an annual meeting, usually held in October or November
- Exchange of ideas and information through Southern Expressions, a newsletter, and SoChap-L, a listserv for Chapter members
- Annual Membership Directory and Handbook (full membership only)
- Continuing Education Teacher Scholarship
- Opportunity to serve as an officer or committee member
- Communication channel between Chapter members and MLA

Honorary membership award presented to retiring SC members who have served the Chapter and the profession of health sciences librarianship in an exemplary manner

The resulting membership is 275 members.

214 renewals
8 students (4 new this year)
13 new members
40 Honorary members on the roster
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