



# SOUTHERN EXPRESSIONS

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# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

BY EMILY BRENNAN

Spring has sprung and we have so much to look forward to! The MLA/SLA '23 Conference is May 16-19, and we hope many of you plan to participate either virtually or in Detroit. Many SC/MLA members are serving as paper and poster presenters, immersion session panelists, blog writers, and more. We do aim to support our professional home, and one concrete way we've done this lately is through a \$1,000 donation to fund a scholarship to the 2023 MLA Research Training Institute (RTI). In just a few days, those who have been selected to participate in RTI '23 will be contacted and announced.

Equally exciting is the upcoming South Central Chapter/Southern Chapter/Medical Library Association (SCC/SC MLA) Joint Meeting, which will be held in New Orleans from September 22-26, 2023. The Program Committee, led by Christine Willis, is working in partnership with the SSC/MLA Program Committee to plan an engaging meeting. To encourage networking across chapters, Dede Rios, SCC/MLA President, initiated monthly Chapter Chats. These informal meetings typically occur via Zoom the first Monday of each month from 2:30-3:30pm ET.

Speaking of annual meeting planning, one of my goals for this year is to develop an Annual Meeting Policies and Procedures Manual. Hopefully writing this post will encourage me to move that task to the top of my to-do list. Another chapter initiative involves digitizing our archives, and better documenting and sharing the history behind chapter keepsakes and traditions, such as the quilt that is laid across the podium during Business Meetings and fundraising ornaments made by our crafty colleagues.

We encourage chapter members to explore scholarships, and consider nominating yourself or a colleague for an award or honor. The mentoring program is the perfect way to formally honor someone who has made an impact on your career. Treat yourself to an SC/MLA shirt, hoodie, coffee mug, water bottle, or notebook available through our online merchandise store. Proceeds go towards the SCMLA Scholarship fund so it's a win-win! I have been so impressed by the enthusiasm and initiatives of our chapter members and can't wait to see what the future brings.





## NNLM News

April 2023 Updates

**The Region 2 Regional Medical Library (R2 RML) will be at the Medical Library Association (MLA) Conference 2023.**

### NNLM Day at MLA

The Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Day at MLA is May 11, 2023, with Region 2's update happening at 1:00pm EDT. This update is open to everyone, regardless of MLA membership status. Sign up to attend the update at <https://www.nlm.gov/civcrm-event/814>. Sign up to attend additional NNLM at MLA Day virtual events here: <https://www.nlm.gov/training>

### Connect with R2 at the MLA Conference

The R2 RML staff will be at the conference! Look for your state liaison and connect with:

- Sarah Fischer, Alabama & Central/South Florida
- Elizabeth Roth, Georgia & Tennessee
- Debra Trogdon-Livingston, South Carolina & North Florida
- Lorin Jackson, Mississippi, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, & US Virgin Islands

We'll be sending out information closer to the MLA conference start date for a meet-up for Region 2 members. Watch our social media for details! @nnlmregion2

### Professional Development Awards Available

Did you know you can apply for Professional Development funding to attend MLA or any upcoming conferences? The Professional Development Award application should not take longer than an hour to complete.

The next deadline for applications is April 18, 2023 11:59pm EDT. Find out more on the NNLM website: <https://www.nlm.gov/funding/rfa> (Select Region 2).

# CONGRATULATIONS

*to our chapter members who won the  
SCMLA 2022 Research Grant Awards!*

Megan Bell

Damiana Fortenberry

Monica Hodge

Alan Backer

Kelly Weigand

Andrea Wright



## Southern Chapter members awarded all four MLA Rising Stars Awards

Congratulations to Michelle, Kimberly, Rachel Lane, and Rachel on receiving the MLA Rising Star Award!



Michelle Keba Knecht, AHIP (she/her) is the Senior Medical Librarian and Head of the Medical Health Sciences Collection and User Services Department for the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine at Florida Atlantic University (FAU) and has been a SC/MLA member since 2020. In her position at FAU, Michelle manages the College of Medicine library resources and provides leadership for the evidence-based medicine curriculum as the co-director of the Life-Long Learning & Discovery thread. Her area of interest is the affective dimensions of information literacy including the role of curiosity during the research process and information literacy misconceptions.



Kimberly Powell is the Research Impact Informationist for the Woodruff Health Science Center Library at Emory University in Georgia and has been a SC/MLA member since 2020. In her position at the library Kimberly works on publication analytics, scholarly communications, and research impact metrics. Her areas of interest are citation tracking strategies, defining researcher impact, and the library's involvement in supporting research quality and publication integrity.



Rachel Lane Walden is a Health Sciences Informationist for the Eskind Biomedical Library (EBL) at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee and has been a SC/MLA member since 2016. She is a past chair of the Communications Committee. In her position at EBL, Rachel Lane is the liaison to the School of Nursing and with her colleagues supports the education, research, and patient care mission of the Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Her area of interest is evidence based practice in nursing and healthcare.

## MLA Rising Stars con't



Rachel Whitney, AHIP (she/her) is a Research and Education Informationist at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Libraries and has been a SC/MLA member since 2018. She is the current chair of the Honors & Awards committee along with being on the Fundraising & Scholarship committee. As part of the Rising Stars program, Rachel will work to develop skills and gain knowledge to become a leader within MLA by taking courses and learning from classic leadership literature, working on a project with the other Rising Stars that aligns with a current MLA initiative, and working with a career mentor. In her position at MUSC, Rachel is the liaison to the College of Pharmacy and the College of Health Professions' Speech-Language Pathology program. Her areas of interest are evidence-based librarianship, gamification, epidemiology, and health information literacy.

### *About Rising Stars*

The MLA Rising Star program gives members the opportunity to develop skills, knowledge, and personal characteristics needed to become a leader in MLA. The yearly leadership development program matches each Rising Star with a mentor in a curriculum that includes:

- Monthly classes led by MLA member leaders.
- Experiences and training to develop self-awareness of skills and dispositions as a leader.
- Opportunities to discuss, reflect upon, and apply concepts from classic leadership texts.
- Opportunities to gain a comprehensive, intimate view of all aspects of MLA, from Board meetings to MLA history, with a focus on strategic planning.
- A group project that relates to current MLA initiatives.
- Working with a matched career mentor.

Learn more at <https://www.mlanet.org/p/cm/ld/fid=44>



# Goal Setting

(And Success in Achieving Them!)

April 27, 2023 | 11 - 12:30 pm CST

Early Career Librarian Initiative (ECLI) and NNLM Region 3 are hosting a webinar providing information on setting professional goals and how to achieve them.

Join us and our presenters, Brenda Linares and Lindsay Blake, as they talk about setting goals, networking, developing skills, and applying for grants and other funding.

Register via QR Code Below:



Region 3





# AROUND THE STATES

## ALABAMA

### Alabama Health Libraries Association (ALHeLA)

Reintroducing Health InfoNet Service to Alabama  
By Alan Backer

The Alabama Health Libraries Association (ALHeLA) is reintroducing the Health InfoNet service to the state of Alabama. The taskforce for this project is currently conducting a multi-part needs assessment with public librarians across Alabama to help make the relaunch of Health InfoNet a lasting success.

Health InfoNet of Alabama began in 1999 as a partnership between UAB's Lister Hill Library and 40 public libraries in Jefferson County, Alabama, under the leadership of Lister Hill librarian Kay Hogan Smith. Their mission was to provide Alabama residents with easier access to trustworthy health information, as well as help train public library workers in disseminating health information. Over the ensuing 10 years, Health InfoNet's reach expanded statewide with the help of NLM's Go Local program, which ended in 2010.

Since the end of the Go Local program and the exit of key personnel, Health InfoNet paused its outreach to Alabama residents and public libraries. The goal of the current taskforce's mixed methods study is to rediscover the health information needs of public library reference workers and the types of health-related questions they typically encounter. This will be achieved through the distribution of a detailed survey and the gathering of focus groups from survey respondents. The resulting data will help inform the contents of the Health InfoNet's revamped website and outreach strategy.

Funding for the needs assessment is being provided by a research grant from the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (SCMLA).



**ALHeLA Health InfoNet of Alabama Committee**

**Top left to right: Monica Hodge (Alabama State University), Megan Bell (University of Alabama at Birmingham), Damiana Fortenberry (University of Alabama at Birmingham). Bottom left to right: Andrea Wright (University of Alabama), Kelly Weigand (Auburn University), Alan Backer (University of Alabama at Birmingham)**



# ALABAMA

## Auburn University Libraries

### Publications and Presentations

Adelia Grabowsky, MLIS, MS, Associate Professor, Health Sciences Librarian, Auburn University Libraries has recently published two articles and presented a poster:

- Lambart A, Wang C-H, Thompson C, **Grabowsky A**. Shaken baby syndrome education for mothers awaiting appointments in rural OB/GYN office. *Compr Child Adolesc Nurs*; 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24694193.2022.2151665>
- **Grabowsky A**, Spybey, K. Library instruction for graduate nursing students: A scoping review. *Evid Based Libr Inf Pract*; 2022;17(4):139-163. <https://doi.org/10.18438/eblip30145>
- **Grabowsky AB**, Garza KB, Moseley LE, Ford CR. Developing empathy among pharmacy students: A scoping review. Poster presented at: Southern Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting; October 21, 2022; Montgomery, AL.

## Charles M. Baugh Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama

The Charles M. Baugh Biomedical Library, in partnership with the University of South Alabama Archaeology Museum, was pleased to host an exhibit in the ArtSpace@BioMed: "Images of Science." This exhibit, from the Max Planck Society at Gesellschaft, is supported by the "Germany on Campus" initiative by the USA International Studies Program, led by its director, Dr. Christine Rinne, Associate Professor of German at South.

Each year, scientists from the more than 80 research institutes of the Max Planck Society enter images showcasing their work from various research fields. The most spectacular ones form the basis of this travelling exhibit that provides a fascinating glimpse into the world of science. These images were on display in the ArtSpace@BioMed on the third floor of the Biomedical Library.

A reception was held on January 19 with guest speaker Dr. Kara Burns, Director of the Archaeology Museum and Associate Professor of Art History. Her talk was titled "Mosaics: Fractured Beauty."



**Dr. Kara Burns, Director of USA  
Archeology Museum and Gail  
Kouame, Director of USA  
Biomedical Library**



**Image from the Max Planck Society**



**Image from the Max Planck Society**

## ALABAMA

**Charles M. Baugh Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama con't**

**Congratulations to Heather Hoven-Glass!**



Heather Hoven-Glass, Night Supervisor in the Circulation, recently earned Level 2 of the Medical Library Association's Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS). Earning a CHIS credential shows Heather's commitment to offering quality consumer health information services and to staying current with developments in consumer health information resources, technologies, and services. A Level 2 credential demonstrates skills in all competencies. The credential is valid for three years.

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Merchandise  
here!

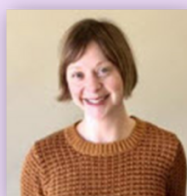
all proceeds support the  
SC/MLA Scholarship Fund

## ALABAMA

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

Lister Hill Library (LHL) has gone through many changes within the past several years. The LHL Reference Department changed its name to the Department for Clinical, Academic, and Research Engagement (CARE). We feel this department name change better describes the range of services and expertise our librarians provide. Plus, there's the bonus of the acronym CARE, which reflects our mission and the mission of the healthcare professionals we serve.

#### LHL New Leadership



**Jill Deaver** became head of the CARE Department in October 2020. She started at LHL under the leadership of Lee Vuovich in early 2014. Previously she served as Liaison to the School of Nursing (2014-2016) and currently serves as Liaison to the School of Medicine (2016-Present).



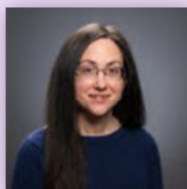
**Becca Billings** is now the LHL CARE Systematic Review Coordinator. Becca coordinates and manages our systematic review service. Her goals are to develop formal policies for our service (both departmental and for users), a training plan for new librarians, and she will also track trends, statistics, publications, and impact. Becca began at LHL in 2015; she is the former liaison to the School of Nursing.



**Damiana Fortenberry**, Instructor, Liaison to the Schools of Dentistry and Optometry, started at LHL CARE on Valentine's Day 2022. Before that, she worked at Georgia State University and Gwinnett County Public Library. She earned her MLIS at the University of North Carolina Greensboro in Greensboro, North Carolina.



**James Gilbreath**, Assistant Professor, Liaison to the School of Public Health, earned his MLIS from the University of Alabama in 2009. Before starting at LHL CARE in January 2022, James worked at Gorgas Library for seven years. Preceding his time at Gorgas, James was the library director at Brown Mackee College in Birmingham, Alabama.



**Amanda Jenkins**, Instructor, Liaison to the School of Nursing, is our newest hire and started in October 2022. Amanda has a background in public libraries and was the manager of a branch within the Birmingham Public Library System. After a brief hiatus working in the banking industry, she's back to where her heart is – librarianship!

# ALABAMA

## Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham, con't

### Publication

**Becca Billings** recently published the following article:

- Jones MC, Byun JY, Billings R, et al. Tools for Screening and Measuring Anxiety Among Women Living with HIV of Reproductive Age: A Scoping Review. *AIDS Behav* (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10461-023-03990-9>



**Megan Bell** is the 2023 recipient of the MLA Medical Informatics Career Development Grant. The purpose of this grant is to fund a career development activity that will contribute to the advancement of the field of medical informatics. Megan will use the funding to complete an American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) foundational knowledge course and to attend the 2023 AMIA Linking Informatics and Education Academic Forum Conference.



Lindsey Baird started as the Clinical Reference Librarian at LHL@UH back in September 2022. She graduated in May 2022 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she interned at the Environmental Protection Agency at Research Triangle Park Library. Lindsey helps provide research support to UAB clinicians with special focus on UAB's Center for Nursing Excellence including UAB's Nurse Residency Program, a one-year evidence-based practice program which helps ease the transition for new nurses from the classroom to clinical practice.

## Davis Library, Samford University

**Lance Day and Lauren Young** recently published the following articles:

- **Day L, Flynn K.** Educating communication sciences and disorders students to use evidence-based practice literature: A collaboration between a library liaison and a CSD professor. *College & Undergraduate Libraries*. 2022;29(3/4):153-173. doi:10.1080/10691316.2022.2144579
- **Young LM.** Christian Worldview as a Critical Information Literacy Lens: A Synthesis of the CCCU Commitments and the ACRL Framework. *Christian Higher Education*. 2023;22(2):152-165. doi:10.1080/15363759.2022.2138635

## FLORIDA

### Florida Atlantic University Medical Library, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida

Submitted by: Michelle Knecht

#### Publications

- **Knecht, M.** Investigating nontraditional first-year students' epistemic curiosity during the research process: An exploratory, mixed-methods study. *College & Research Libraries*, 2022;83(6), 874-886. <https://doi.org/10.5860/crl.83.6.874>
- **Follin, T, Knecht, M.** The ins and outs of FMLA: Navigating extended leave as medical librarians. *MLA Connect*. 2023. <https://www.mlanet.org/p/cm/ld/fid=1122&&blogaid=4275>

#### Presentations

- **Knecht, M.** Including nontraditional students as research participants in mixed methods research: Methods for reaching out to students aged 25 years or older. Presentation at the Empirical Librarians Conference, Richmond, VA. 2023
- **Knecht, M, Follin, T.** The ins and outs of FMLA: Navigating extended leave as medical librarians. Lightning round presentation at the South Florida Health Sciences Library Consortium Winter Meeting, Online. 2022.
- **Knecht, M, Follin, T.** The ins and outs of FMLA: Navigating extended leave as medical librarians. Lightning talk at the Tennessee Health Science Library Association Fall Virtual Conference, Online. 2022.
- **Knecht, M, Follin, T.** The ins and outs of FMLA: Navigating extended leave as medical librarians. Presentation at the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Online. 2022

### Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida

Submitted by: Shalu Gillum

#### March Madness at the HSL

The Health Sciences Library's first annual Hoopla March Madness tournament is underway. Sixteen library resources, services, and programs were randomly pitted against each other to determine the ultimate champion (and fan favorite). Designed by User Services Librarian Natasha Williams, the competition allows library users to create their winning bracket and then vote weekly for four weeks to see who will win the top prize. Our digital display in front of the library shows the brackets and winners for each round of the tournament.

# FLORIDA

## Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida, con't

### March Madness at the HSL con't

Participants can scan a QR code to select their picks for each round. Winners are tallied every week. In week one of the tournament:

- Library Llama beat out Online Databases
- Our Beverage Station won over interlibrary loan
- Popcorn Day beat the charging stations
- UpToDate beat PubMed
- Nap Pods beat Course Library Guides (LibGuides)
- EndNote beat DynaMed
- Our Personal Librarian Program beat e-books
- The front desk candy bowl beat out e-journals.

At the time of this writing, in the semi-finals, Library Llama will be facing Popcorn Day, and the Nap Pods will be facing off against the candy bowl. Stay tuned for the winners!

Participants with winning brackets, which were collected in week 1, will win a prize.

This activity has been a fun way to engage our users while promoting library resources, services, and programs. It has also allowed us to assess what our users value and appreciate about the library.



The Hoopla March Madness tournament brackets as of the semi-finals.



Library Llama promoting our Hoopla March Madness tournament.



Our March 2023 bathroom newsletter, The Scoop, detailing the 16 Hoopla March Madness teams.

## FLORIDA

**Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida,  
Orlando, Florida, con't**

### Publications

- **Herring P.** Review Update of LWW Health Library. Doody's Collection Development Monthly. <http://dcdm.doody.com/2023/01/review-update-of-lww-health-library/>. Published January 24, 2023.
- Annotated Bibliography of Journals for Educational Scholarship an AAMC-Regional Groups on Educational Affairs, Medical Educational Scholarship, Research and Evaluation Section (MESRE) document. Published September 2022. **Pamela Herring**, Librarian Coordinator.



## FLORIDA

### Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami, Florida

Submitted by: Kelsa Bartley

#### Employee Promotions



**Saily Marrero**



**John Reynolds**

Saily Marrero, MSI, Librarian Assistant Professor, is the new Nursing & Health Studies, Psychology, and Biology Librarian at the University of Miami's Otto G. Richter Library. Prior to her promotion last October, she worked as Senior Library Assistant at the Louis Calder Memorial Library at UM's Miller School of Medicine where she provided customer service to students, faculty, and staff while also serving on the library's Marketing Team, managing the library's social media accounts, and completing an internship with the Learning, Research, and Clinical Information Services (LRCIS) Department. Saily received her Master's in Information Science from Florida State University in 2022. In her current liaison librarian position, she assists students, faculty, and staff with their research goals, selects subject-specific resources, provides instruction, updates library guides, and continues to serve on library committees.

John Reynolds, MLIS, AHIP, Reference and Education Librarian in Calder's Learning, Research and Clinical Information Services (LRCIS) Department, was promoted to Librarian Associate Professor in the 2022-2023 academic year. John joined the Calder Library in 2017. He earned a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from Florida State University and a Bachelor's degree in History from Davidson College. Before coming to UM, he served as Emerging Technologies Librarian at Nova Southeastern University's Health Professions Library, as Medical Librarian at Baptist Health South Florida, and as Reference Librarian at the Palm Beach County Public Library System.

At the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, John coordinates Calder Library's systematic review service, is a member of the Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Council at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, co-teaches the library component of the medical school's evidence-based medicine courses, and provides training and assistance for a variety of library resources.



## FLORIDA

### Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami, Florida, con't

#### Calder Library Welcomes New Staff Members

We are excited to announce that the Library Services Department has recruited two new staff members. Juan Eduardo Scheuren and Jeffrey Arias are the new Senior Library Assistants. Juan joined the Library Services team at Calder in October 2022, and Jeffrey transitioned onto the team in January from the Department of Public Safety, where he worked as a Public Safety security officer. They provide coverage of the library services desk, assisting students, faculty, and staff with access to Calder's print and electronic resources.

#### Calder Librarians Receive University of Miami's DEI Mini-Grant Award



Librarians Kelsa Bartley, Erica Powell, JoAnn Van Schaik, and Saily Marrero received a 2023 University of Miami Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Mini-Grant Award to fund a DEI related project. The DEI grants are sponsored by UM's Office of Faculty Affairs. Calder's project will be a Traveling Exhibition: 19th Century African American Female Physicians. The exhibition will be an expansion of research conducted by

Librarian Assistant Professor Erica Powell. Professor Powell has created a Resource Guide, detailing 27, 19th Century African American female physicians, with information on their contributions to the medical profession. The exhibition will consist of six vertical printed banners highlighting the history of several of these women. It will also include access to the accompanying Resource Guide with information about all 27 women. Grant funds for the project will be used for the design of the exhibition artwork, along with printing and display materials for the exhibition banners. The inspiration for the display came from the National Library of Medicine's Traveling Exhibitions, which Calder Library has hosted several times in the past. The grant team members were particularly inspired by the Binding Wounds, Pushing Boundaries: African Americans in Civil War Medicine NLM exhibit. The goal is for the exhibition to be displayed in as many UM locations as possible, as well as virtually, starting with the Miller School of Medicine during Women's History Month, and expanding to other campus locations across the University.

This project aims to promote antiracism and aid in the recruitment and retention of diverse faculty, staff, and students by showcasing the work and lives of African American female physicians during a time in history when they faced many barriers to practicing medicine. In 2018, African American female physicians made up roughly 2.8% of US physicians, and continue to face many challenges as medical professionals.

## FLORIDA

### Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami, Florida, con't



#### On-Site Patrons and Coffee Make a Comeback at Calder Library

Calder Library's Access Services team recently reported a 31% increase in the library's gate count from February 2022 through February 2023. Although the gate count numbers are still below pre-pandemic levels, it is gratifying to see patrons returning to the physical library. Along with the return of students, residents, faculty, and staff to Calder Library, the University has reopened Calder's lobby cafe—The Market Coffee Shop—featuring Peet's coffee.



#### Calder Library Acquires the Bascom Palmer Ophthalmology Collection

The Bascom Palmer Eye Institute's Norton Library received extensive water damage during Hurricane Irma in September 2017. Efforts to repair the building to prevent future flooding from storms were deemed unsuccessful in 2022. To ensure the preservation of the Norton Library's print holdings, Calder Library became the recipient of the prestigious Bascom Palmer collection, with faculty and staff assuming responsibility for Bascom Palmer's print and electronic collection development, acquisitions, and maintenance. The print collection is now housed on the second floor of the library.

When Bascom Palmer was ranked No. 1 in ophthalmology in the 2022 U.S. News & World Report "Best Hospitals" rankings, it marked the 21st time, and the 19th consecutive year, that Bascom Palmer has been ranked No. 1 for treating eye-related conditions since U.S. News began surveying physicians for its annual rankings in 1990.

## GEORGIA

### **Robert B. Greenblatt MD Library, Augusta University, Augusta GA Celebrating 60 years**

The Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library celebrates sixty years in our current building in 2023. Established in 1834, the then Medical College of Georgia (MCG) Library was first housed in the Old Medical College Building, then later shared space in the Newton Building when MCG moved to its current campus. On January 19, 1962, ground was broken and the first separate library building was completed and opened on July 22, 1963.

That building was expected to meet the needs of the campus for the next twenty-five years, but by the mid-1970s, the creation and implementation of plans for a health sciences university-- which contained schools of allied health, dentistry, graduate studies, nursing, as well as medicine--provided the impetus for expanding the 28,000 square foot library. A 42,000 square foot addition was completed in 1981.

On January 13, 1988, the library was named in honor of Dr. Robert B. Greenblatt, an internationally known researcher of female endocrine disorders and later chairman of the Department of Endocrinology.

To mark our 60th year at this location, the Greenblatt Library staff is hosting special events throughout 2023. The first event on February 15, was a "Love Your Library Meet & Greet."



In October, the main anniversary event will include library tours, a lecture on the history of the Medical College of Georgia and of the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library. Fun activities and gifts for those able to attend are also planned. Even though the library's 1962 ground breaking ceremony was described as taking place on a dismal, rainy day, the author stated that this "rainy day provided the setting for one of the brightest developmental events in the long history of the school." (Medical College of Georgia Foundation and Alumni News, 1962)

# GEORGIA

## Robert B. Greenblatt MD Library, Augusta University, Augusta GA con't

### Welcome New Faculty: Emily Harris and Shafer Tharrington



**Ms. Emily Harris** assumed the role of Cancer and Dental Medicine Librarian beginning January 1, 2023. She holds a BS in Business Management and received her Master of Library and Information Studies in 2017 from the University of Alabama. Emily has an established track record of interest and experience in the field of health sciences librarianship. She completed an internship with the Brookwood Baptist Health system reporting to library staff in multiple locations. This experience provided a solid foundation for learning the information needs critical for health care professionals. She worked with collection development, resource management, and assisting library patrons.

Emily was hired as medical librarian for Grandview Medical Center location of Brookwood Baptist Health upon her graduation. Emily provided reference services to medical students, residents, physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and administration at a 434 bed, level III trauma center. She was responsible for conducting research consultations, maintaining information resources, conducting in-depth literature searches, and managing daily library operations. Emily created a customized instruction program and taught classes throughout the year. Emily served as an embedded librarian supporting community residency program, medical students, and health care professionals.

**Mr. Shafer Tharrington** became our Allied Health Sciences Librarian on January 1, 2023. He holds a BA in Anthropology and will receive a Master of Library and Information Science from Valdosta State University in May 2023.

Shafer currently serves as a Medical Research Associate for Greenblatt Library as a member of the Research and Education Services department.



## GEORGIA

### Robert B. Greenblatt MD Library, Augusta University, Augusta GA con't

Shafer actively contributes with the team to provide evidence based health care instruction for multiple disciplines including the occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant programs. Shafer has created online instructional tutorials and customized library research guides for students and faculty. He has played a key role in the Greenblatt Library instructional program.

Shafer serves as the contact person for the systematic review service and has participated in several research projects to improve clinical care and support faculty scholarship. He has collaborated in the development of a care guideline for thigh injuries with colleagues from the College of Allied Health Sciences. Shafer has also partnered with library faculty members to receive grant funding to develop a virtual reality room for health professional student education. He has in-depth knowledge of library services as he has staffed our information desk, assisted with the Creative Technology Lab, and participated in multiple outreach and community engagement events.

### Greenblatt 2nd Floor Renovations Continued!

Our 2nd floor renovation is almost complete. These photos showcase our sunny reading areas, new study rooms and furniture. In April, the Library will celebrate the completion of our downstairs renovation and new entrance onto Laney-Walker Boulevard (the main campus thoroughfare)—more photos to come!



## MISSISSIPPI

### Rowland Medical Library at the University of Mississippi Medical Center

#### Celebrating Milestones and Achievements



**Dr. Gongchao Yang**, a long-time Rowland Medical Library faculty member, holds a joint appointment with the Department of Advanced Biomedical Education (DABE) in the School of Medicine. In addition to his library appointment, Dr. Yang holds an MD degree and started teaching in the anatomy division of DABE. He quickly became a highly valued educator in both areas.

Dr. Yang was recently selected by the School of Medicine as a member of the 2022-2023 Norman C. Nelson Order of Teaching Excellence. The Nelson Order identifies and honors faculty members who provide the highest quality aptitude and effectiveness in student education.



**Suzette Robinson-White** celebrated 30 years of service to the University of Mississippi Medical Center and Rowland Medical Library on Wednesday, March 22, 2023. She is the longest tenured library staff member with the library. Suzette joined the Rowland team in 1993 and presently serves as a Library Tech III in the Access Services department. In this role she provides invaluable interlibrary loan services to the UMMC community and beyond. Suzette is greatly appreciated for her dedication and many contributions during three decades of service.



**Marisela Madrigal**, a former cataloger for the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, recently joined the University of Mississippi Medical Center faculty as an assistant professor of academic information services.

Marisela earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Southern Mississippi. After graduating with an MLIS, Marisela was hired as an Electronic Resources Resident Librarian at Bates College, where she specialized in technical services during her residency.

Marisela was a scholarship awardee of the 2020 NISO Plus Conference and has participated in the NISO Conference Planning. In addition, Marisela was a former outreach officer for New England Technical Services.

# SOUTH CAROLINA

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

### Little Free Libraries Project



The Little Free Libraries Project is a collaboration with the Center for Disability Resources, the Palmetto Pyramid Police Partnership (P4), and South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control. The purpose of the project is to install Little Free Libraries around the state within rural and/or underserved communities to promote better access to quality, consumer-health resources. In addition to purchasing six Little Free Libraries, over 100 books related to developmental disabilities, general consumer health, and childhood trauma were purchased to stock the Little Free Libraries.

The Little Free Libraries were installed at the County Health Departments located in Winnsboro, Greenville, Orangeburg, Saluda, and Kingstree, as well as Mill Creek Elementary in Columbia. This project has been funded by the Center for Rural and Primary Healthcare.

### The Compassionate Clinicians Collection



Each year the Arnold P. Gold Foundation compiles a list of recommended books for clinicians who care about the human experience of illness and about caring in their role as a healthcare professional.

The Compassionate Clinicians Collection is housed in a bookcase outside the Library's First Floor Conference Room near the elevator. A list of the 33 books, as well as links to the reading lists, which include book covers and short descriptions of each book, are included on the Compassionate Clinicians Collection library guide. This collection is made possible through a generous donation by Joshua T. Thornhill IV, MD, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Medicine.

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### Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

#### Spring Activities in the Library



To celebrate Valentine's Day, the library hosted a fun book giveaway. Patrons were invited to guess the number of valentine themed candy, and the closest guessers won a book. We had over 50 people guess, and we ended up with three winners. They were all excited to get to pick a different book from our free book basket.

In March, the library set out a book wheel. Each spoke of the wheel corresponded to a numbered bookmark in a different fiction book. Patrons spun the wheel and were encouraged to check out the book whose number they landed on. If patrons landed on prize (or if they didn't want to check out a book), they could pick out something from our treat basket which was full of library giveaway items and the leftover candy from the guessing game. This display resulted in increased book circulation and happy patron interactions.

#### Remote Area Medical Outreach Event

At the beginning of the year, library staff participated in a Remote Area Medical (RAM) event at the Jacob Building in Knoxville, TN. While the RAM employees provided free medical, vision, and dental care to Knoxville residents, librarians handed out free health information on a variety of popular health topics and talked to attendees about their health concerns. Over the course of three days, librarians handed out over 150 pieces of education and spoke to hundreds of Knoxville residents about how the library could help them with their health. This is the second year the library has participated in this event, and it's always one of our favorite ways to engage with our community.



## Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN con't

### Faculty Accomplishments

Several of our librarians were recently appointed adjunct faculty in their respective liaison departments within the UT Graduate School of Medicine: Alexandria Wilson, Surgery and Obstetrics & Gynecology; David Petersen, Internal Medicine and Family Medicine; and J. Michael Lindsay, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery. Our faculty members are excited to strengthen relationships within their clinical departments and more extensively contribute their expertise and skill set to these crucial medical departments.

**J. Michael Lindsay** completed the University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine's Academic Leadership Academy, a certification program that launched in the 2020-2021 academic year to help faculty members improve instructional and precepting strategies; prepare for advancement in academic rank; develop research skills that lead to publishable results and guide resident research; prepare for leadership within medical societies and their discipline's state or national academy, or within the education system; and enhance the national recognition of the Graduate School of Medicine and The University of Tennessee Medical Center.

### Publications

- Wombles C, **Grabeel KL, Petersen D.** Determining covid-19's impact on an academic medical library's literature search service. *JMLA*. 2022;110(3):316-322. doi:10.5195/jmla.2022.1447
- **Grabeel KL, Wilson AQ.** Medical librarians and little free libraries: Connecting rural communities to health information. *Health Information & Libraries Journal*. 2023. doi:10.1111/hir.12478

## University of Tennessee Health Science Center Health Sciences Library, Memphis, TN

### Going Do(NUTS) for our Patrons!



As a belated Valentine's Day treat the UTHSC Library provided 20 dozen donuts to patrons as a sweet treat to show them how much we care!



### Interprofessional Education Day (IPE) Day

The Library played a critical role in the campus's first ever Interprofessional Education Day. Hilary Jasmin, Research and Learning Services Librarian and Liaison to the College of Pharmacy, organized and

coordinated six escape rooms throughout the library. She says, "the opportunity to deliver fun, engaging team-based learning was a privilege! It was so rewarding to see the students realize they couldn't silo themselves and succeed--a team was essential to escape the scenario."

## University of Tennessee Health Science Center Health Sciences Library, Memphis, TN con't

### Two New Workshops

The Health Sciences Library is hard at work updating our workshop offerings to meet the interests and learning needs of the campus community. New workshops that debuted recently include: Finding and Evaluating Evidence-Based Healthcare Resources, and Exploring Literature Review Types – Beyond the Basics. According to one participant, "This was an excellent webinar with useful information that I can apply in my work right now. Great job!"

### Publication

- Kothari DS, Linker LA, Tham T, Maroda AJ, **McElfresh JM**, Fastenberg JH., et al. Preoperative embolization techniques in the treatment of juvenile nasopharyngeal angiofibroma: A systematic review. *Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery*. 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ohn.303>.

## Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

### Professional Activities

Philip Walker, Director, is a mentor in the 2022-23 cohort of NLM/AAHSL Leadership Fellows Program. Philip's mentee, Michelle Harrell, Assistant Director, Public Services & Education, at the Medical College of Wisconsin visited the Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center during the week of March 13-17. Her site visit included meetings with EBL staff, tours of the Vanderbilt University and Vanderbilt University Medical Center campuses, and in-person and virtual meetings with a plethora of library, university, and medical center colleagues.



Michelle Harrell, NLM/AAHSL Leadership Fellow, speaks with the EBL staff during her site visit.

### Recent Publications and Presentations

- Das S, Phillips S, Lee CL, Agarwal R, Bergsland E, Strosberg J, Chan JA, **LaFerriere H**, et al. Efficacy and toxicity of anti-vascular endothelial growth receptor tyrosine kinase inhibitors in patients with neuroendocrine tumours - A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Eur J Cancer*. 2023;182:43-52. doi:10.1016/j.ejca.2022.12.031
- **Gill KD**, Parker R. An untapped resource? Opportunities for faculty-librarian collaboration to enhance drug information resource utilization in pharmacy education. *J Med Libr Assoc*. 2022;110(4):478-484. doi:10.5195/jmla.2022.1486
- Kimpel CC, **Walden RL**, Maxwell C. Advance care planning among African Americans: A review and synthesis of theory application. *Palliat Support Care*. 2023;21(1):118-126. doi:10.1017/S1478951521001863



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