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The Rothrock Award was established in 1976 from the will of Mary Rothrock to honor a librarian who has contributed substantially to the furtherance of librarianship in the Southeast during a career. The award bestows a plague and monetary gift. This year's recipient has been active in libraries for over 27 years. He has been an active voice for the value of libraries and in particular public libraries, and their growth and improvement since his early days in Florida when he headed a project to bring public library service to migrant farm workers in the Everglades. He served as associate director of the Broward County Public Library during its period of greatest growth and expansion and provided energy and leadership to a system which has become a national model for new practices and levels of service. Broward County Public Library, under his leadership, was chosen Library of the Year by Library Journal in 1996. Today he is not able to be to be with us because he is presiding over his dream come true - the grand opening of the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, located in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The 2002 SELA Rothrock Award winner is Samuel F. Morrison, Director of the Broward County Library System. Here to accept the award on behalf of Samuel Morrison is Sylvia Sprinkle Hamlin, Director, Forsyth County (NC) Public Library. (Baker and Sprinkle Hamlin pictured below)

- Barry Baker



## Ginny Frankenthaler Memorial Scholarship in Library Science

Bud Frankenthaler, founder and trustee of the Frankenthaler Memorial Fund. Inc.. accompanied by his present wife, Barbara, secretary of the Fund, presented two \$2,000 awards for the Ginny Frankenthaler Memorial Scholarship in Library Science at the Saturday brunch of the Southeastern Library Association (SELA) conference. Adrienne Lee, who grew up in Fairhope, Alabama and has lived in Mobile for the last four years, and Ann Lafferty Lee from Huntsville, Alabama, are the 2002 recipients of the scholarship, named in memory of Frankenthaler's first wife, who felt that our free library system was the basis for a good life. She believed that the greatest gifts a human being can have are good memories and education, both of which are supplied free by our public library system. The purpose of the scholarship is to recruit beginning professional librarians with the potential for leadership and the commitment to service in libraries in the southeastern USA. The scholarship provides financial assistance toward completion of a graduate degree in Library Science from an American Library Association accredited institution. Both recipients of this year's award are attending the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. Ms. Adrienne Lee, who received her English degree from the University of South Alabama. plans to work as an Instructional Services Librarian in an academic library, pursue her graduate degree in English, and write and publish on Library & Information Science. Ms. Ann Lee is continuing her education at the University of Alabama where she received a degree in French, and would like to become a Young Adult librarian in a public library. Pictured below L. to R. are Betty Paulk, Barry Baker, Barbara Frankenthaler, Adrienne Lee, Ann Lee, and Bud Frankenthaler.

- Betty Paulk, chair, Ginny Frankenthaler Memorial Scholarship committee

