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Honorary membership in the Southeastern Library Association is conferred on individuals for significant contributions to librarianship in the Southeast that are of more than passing importance. This year's recipient meets all of the criteria for the award – and then some. She graduated from the University of Alabama with both a BS and an MA in history. She also studied at the University of Southern California, Harvard University, and George Peabody College, where she received her Masters in Library Science and an Ed.S degree. She is a member of Beta Phi Mu and Phi Alpha Theta, an honorary history fraternity. Nationally, she has been an active member of the American Library Association since 1975. She has been very active in the Women's National Book Association (WNBA) for three decades, serving as president of both the local and national associations. She has served as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Genealogical Association from 1999 to the present; as President of the Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society and a member of its board for ten years. She has lectured at local, regional, and national genealogical meetings. As a member of SELA she has chaired various committees and is the current chair of the Outstanding Southeastern Author Award Committee. In Tennessee she has held many leadership roles, serving as president and Treasurer of the Tennessee Library Association, chair of the Executive Council of the Mid-State Library Association, president of the Nashville Library Club, Board of Directors and Vice President of the Tennessee Historical Society, president of Altrusa, a womens' service organization, president of the Inter-Museum Council of Nashville, a member of the League of Women Voters, and the American Association of University Women. She has several publications to her credit and has assisted with numerous local and national book publications. She co-founded "Paragraphs from Nashville History," a book and lecture series spanning two decades, which published six

volumes. She has led a life of service, whether it be in the many classes and workshops on genealogy, as a book reviewer, or in directing the Nashville Room in the Nashville Public Library, which she founded in 1966 and was responsible for building to become Middle Tennessee's largest public library collection of historical research. She just recently retired from this position. She is a good representative of SELA and the library profession, and those of you who know her would agree that I've hardly scratched the surface in listing some of her accomplishments and qualifications. But I'm sure all of you would readily agree with our choice as this year's recipient of the Southeastern Library Association's Honorary Membership Award: Mary Glenn Hearne.
- Jim Ward, chair, SELA Honorary Membership Committee
Pictured below are Jim Ward and Mary Glenn Hearne.



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