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SOLINET applied in 2004 to the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), the organization that develops the standards and monitors the programs certified to offer authorized CEUs. Through a lengthy evaluation process, including a site visit by IACET, SOLINET successfully demonstrated its adherence to all IACET criteria and guidelines. SOLINET is now linked to the IACET website and is recognized as offering the highest quality continuing education and training programs.

SOLINET NEWS

At the Annual Membership Meeting in Atlanta in May, SOLINET member libraries elected two members to the Board of Directors and three delegates to the OCLC Members Council.

The first action of the new Board was to elect **James A. Nelson**, State Librarian and Commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, to serve as Board Chair for 2005-2006. Nelson has been a member of the Board since 2002 and served as Secretary in 2003; he has also served on SOLINET's Bylaws and Governance Committee.

Newly elected to the **SOLINET Board of Directors** were

- **Carol Pitts Diedrichs**, Dean of Libraries, University of Kentucky, since 2003.
- **William Miller**, Director of Libraries, Florida Atlantic University, since 1997.

In addition to Nelson, the newly seated Board of Directors elected these **officers** as well:

- Vice Chair: **Robert Vaughan**, President, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
- Secretary/Treasurer: **Pat Pickard**, Director of Educational Media Department, DeKalb County School System, GA.

Elected as **SOLINET Delegates to OCLC Members Council** were

- **Barbara Dewey**, Dean of Libraries, University of Tennessee-Knoxville, since 2000.
- **John Ulmschneider**, University Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University Libraries, since 1999.
- **Lamar Veatch**, State Librarian, Georgia Public Library Service, since 2001.

PEOPLE NEWS

Alabama

Jill Grogg has joined the UA Libraries as the Electronic Resources Librarian as of May 9, 2005. **Jonathan Darby** joined the UA Libraries in January 2005 as Government Documents Librarian.

Katy Ginanni was recently elected to the NASIG (North American Serials Interest Group) Board as a Member-at-Large for a two-year term.

Jeff Luzius, Head of Document Delivery at Auburn University, graduated May 13th with a Doctor of Education degree from Auburn University with a major in Higher Education Administration.

Arkansas

Carolyn Ashcraft has been named the new associate director of the Arkansas State Library. Ashcraft has been with the State Library since 1993. She received a bachelor's degree in English at the University of Arkansas at Monticello and a master's degree in library science at the University of Alabama.

The Arkansas Library Association has named **Barbara R. Martin** as its new executive director. Martin, who began the job on June 1, is the former executive director of the Arkansas Optometric Association.

Cathy Howser, children's services coordinator for the Arkansas State Library, has been elected 2005-2006 president of the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP). CSLP is a consortium of thirty-two member states working together to develop quality summer reading materials at affordable prices for public libraries.

Joe Floyd, Reference Librarian, USF Tampa Library, is being recognized as one of the first winners of the newly inaugurated annual "University of South Florida Department of Women's Studies Staff Star Awards" presented at a Colloquium March 31. The award has been established to enable the Women's Studies faculty to recognize "...the importance of the work and extreme professionalism of the staff that supports the department's academic mission."

Susan Heron has accepted appointment as Associate Director for Technical Services at the USF Tampa Library.

Caroline Reed recently published an article in the Spring 2005 issue of Florida Libraries. The article is titled "Reaching out to connect with users: The USF Sarasota Jane Bancroft Cook Library experience." She has also recently been promoted to the rank of Assistant Librarian at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library.

FLA President and Dean of USF Libraries, **Derrie Perez** wrote a column on the value of public libraries and the need for increased state support for libraries in Florida that was published in the Sarasota Herald-Tribune on March 2, 2005.

Ilene Frank, USF Tampa Library, and **Tina Neville**, USF Nelson Poynter Library, have been accepted to attend the 2005 Information Literacy Immersion Institute, being held this year at Eckerd College and co-sponsored by USF, St. Petersburg College, and Eckerd College.

Karen Keene, Reference/systems library for USF Shimberg Health Services Library, authored an article in the most recent issue of Florida Libraries, Vol. 47 (2) 2004, pp 20-22. The article is entitled "Beyond the University: Opportunities for Consumer Health Outreach." She has also collaborated with Dr. Alba DiCenso at the 2nd Annual Florida Magnet Conference on Nursing Research held February 4, at the International Plaza Renaissance Hotel in Tampa. As part of their presentation titled "Nursing Research at the Point of Care," Karen demonstrated the use of a variety of evidence-based electronic health resources. Karen and education librarian **John Orriola** also answered questions related to relevant search strategies in nursing research.

Jim Schnur, Special Collections Librarian at the USF Nelson Poynter Library, presented a lecture on the frontier history of the Pinellas peninsula before the arrival of the Orange Belt Railway in 1888. This program was part of a membership meeting and pot-luck dinner of the Pinellas County Historical Society on February 25.

Tom Tharrington is the new Catalog Librarian at USF Jane Bancroft Cook Library. He holds a B.A. in English and a MLS from University of South Florida. He previously worked at the USF Tampa Library.

Nancy Cunningham has been hired for the new position of Associate Director of Reference & Instruction for the Tampa Library of the University of South Florida Library System

Catherine Lavellée-Welch has joined the University of South Florida Lakeland Library as the first librarian to work solely for the University of South Florida at Lakeland. Ms. Lavellée-Welch holds a BA in history from the University of Quebec in Montreal and a MLS from the University of Montreal. She most recently was an Associate Professor at the Laura Kersey Library of Engineering, Physical Science and Technology, University of Louisville. She recently received the 2005 Sci-Tech Achievement Award by the Science & Technology Division of SLA for her work on the Englib blog. She will receive the award at the annual meeting of the Special Libraries Association in June.

Ilene Frank, a reference librarian at USF Tampa Library, has recently published a book chapter in the Series of the Arbeitsstelle Fernstudienforschung (ASF, the center for research in distance education) at Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg. Frank co-authored chapter 11 entitled Beyond Books—Library Services to Distance Education Students.

Andy Huse, Program Assistant for the USF Tampa Library Florida Studies Center, recently appeared on WUSF's *Top 10 Historic Places in Tampa Bay*. The TV program featured University of South Florida-owned Chinsegut Hill as number eight on the list. The program's debut episode included an interview with Huse, whose research uncovered Chinsegut Hill's fascinating role in Florida's history as well as pertinent history of the United States during the First and Second World War. Because of Huse's research, the 1800's mansion was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in November 2003.

On February 14, the University of South Florida Shimberg Health Science Library's education librarian **John Orriola** was a guest speaker at the press conference rollout of the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) "Health Information Rx (prescription)"

program. This event kicked off the Florida segment of the pilot program. The program is designed to encourage Florida physicians to direct their patients to first-rate, online health information in NLM's MedlinePlus free consumer health website: <http://www.medlineplus.gov>.

Georgia

SOLINET is pleased to welcome **Paquita Morris** as Director of Human Resources. Ms. Morris has a strong background of experience in Human Resources; she is SPHR (Senior Professional in Human Resources) certified and has been recognized for her professional contributions by the Professionalism Award and the High Achievers in Management Award



Lillian Lewis became the HBCU Library Alliance Program Officer on February 1, 2005. She will be responsible for the operation of

the HBCU Library Alliance (www.hbculibraries.org), which was formed after a historic meeting in 2002 of the deans and directors of libraries at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). In addition, Ms. Lewis will coordinate and conduct a two-year project to strengthen leadership within the HBCU library community and more effectively integrate library services into campus programs for teaching and learning. The project is supported by a \$500,000 grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Ms. Lewis has served as an administrator in associations, academic libraries, and special libraries. Most recently, she worked for the

American Library Association as Deputy Executive Director jointly of the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies and the Reference and User Services Association.

Anna Van Scoyoc has been appointed Instructional Services Librarian at the General Libraries of Emory University. Previously she served in the reference department at the University of Georgia as Student Learning Center Service Desk Supervisor and reference/instructional technology librarian. She earned her M.S.L.S. at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in 2001, a M.A. in Student Personnel Administration for Higher Education from Ball State University, and a B.S. in Business from Eastern Illinois University.

Kentucky

Research and Instruction Librarian, **Ann Harding**, has retired from Steely Library, at Northern Kentucky University. Ms. Harding began work in the cataloging department in 1984. She has taken a new position as Reference Librarian with Campbell County Public Library.

Northern Kentucky University's Systems Librarian, **Geraldine [Gerry] Williams** retired from Steely Library at the end of June. Gerry has served Northern Kentucky University as an Associate Professor of Library Services since 1972. She was one of the first librarians to join the institution, and has been an integral part of its life and development.

Perry Bratcher, Library Systems Manager at Northern Kentucky University presented "Leading-Edge Technologies & Libraries: Biometric Security Measures" at the 2005 Computers in Libraries conference in Washington D.C. on March 18th.

Three Northern Kentucky University Steely Library faculty members gave presentations

at the Kentucky Library Associations's joint spring conference at Lake Barkley State Resort Park: **Arne Almquist** presented "Library Marketing as a Communication Process: an Integrative Approach to the Issue," **Colleen Kennedy** presented "Teaching to the 'Research Paper' Course in Three Units," and **Sheri Myers** presented "Copyright and Online Learning: How Libraries Can Help."

Larry X. Besant, Director of Libraries and Media Services at Morehead State University, retired in December. Mr. Besant, who has been at MSU since 1985, led Camden-Carroll Library from the era of paper files to automation, with its first automated system, LS/2000 in 1987. Under his leadership, MSU became the first state school in Kentucky to have a web-based catalog, and through his activity with the SAALCK Director's group, worked to create the Kentucky Virtual Library and to make databases and other electronic resources available statewide. Mr. Besant has been active in state and national organizations, having served as the president of the Kentucky chapter of SLA twice, 1996-97 and 2002-2003, and chair of the State Assisted Academic Library Council of Kentucky from 1989-1990 and 1997-2000.

Mississippi

Terry S. Latour, Director of Library Services at Delta State University since 1995, is leaving Mississippi after more than 25 years of service to Delta State University and the University of Southern Mississippi. In June he will return to Pennsylvania to become Dean of Libraries at Clarion University. Latour served as president of Mississippi Library Association, the Mississippi Chapter of Association of College and Research Libraries and the Society of Mississippi Archivists. He was involved with the creation of MAGNOLIA, the statewide system of database for all

Mississippi libraries and has served on its Steering Committee. He also played a key role in the founding of the Dancing Rabbit Library Consortium, which was recognized by SOLINET as the best multi-type library network in the Southeast for 2004.

Jeff Slagell has been appointed Interim Director of Library Services for Delta State University's Roberts-LaForge Library in Cleveland, MS for 2005-2006. He previously served as Assistant Director of Library Services at Delta State and is replacing Dr. Terry Latour who has accepted the Dean of Libraries position at Clarion University in Clarion, PA.

Mary Fran Prottzman, Chief, Library Service, "G.V. Sonny Montgomery" Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Jackson, MS, was awarded the Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship Award at the annual meeting of the Medical Library Association in San Antonio on May 17, 2005. The Colaianni Award recognizes significant accomplishments, continuing excellence, and leadership by a hospital librarian and is given to a member of the association who has made significant contributions to the profession through overall distinction or leadership in hospital library administration.



The Mississippi State University Libraries is pleased to announce the appointment of **Harry Lull** as Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Public Services. Harry

comes from the University of New Mexico University Libraries, where he worked with reference and library instruction. Harry has a MLS from the University of Michigan and a BS in Mathematics from Auburn University.

North Carolina

The NCSU Libraries has appointed **Glen Wiley** as Serials and Electronic Resources Librarian, effective March 7, 2005, and **Michele Hayslett** as Data Services Librarian, effective March 16, 2005.

Mr. Wiley worked as an Instructional Programs Intern and as a Library Technician, Visual Resources Cataloger for the Syracuse University Libraries. He holds two degrees from Syracuse University: the Master of Science in Library and Information Science with an emphasis in Art and Architecture Librarianship, as well as a Bachelor of Fine Arts *cum laude*, with a specialization in the History of Art.

Hayslett's recent professional background includes progressively responsible positions in the State Library of North Carolina as an Information Specialist and Demographics Specialist. Previously, she served as the Reference Librarian and Reference Collection Manager for Perkins Library at Duke University. Ms. Hayslett received the Master of Library Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She graduated with honors from Earlham College with the Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies.

The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) recently selected **David Goldsmith**, head of acquisitions and director of licensing at the NCSU Libraries, for the Research Libraries Leadership Fellows Program designed to prepare the next generation of directors at large research libraries. Running through 2006, the highly competitive executive leadership program is jointly sponsored by five ARL member libraries: University of

California at Los Angeles; Columbia University; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Texas at Austin; and University of Washington.

Meanwhile, **Suzanne T. Weiner**, head of collection management and secretary of NC State's Faculty Senate, has been appointed a UCLA Senior Fellow for 2005 following a nationwide competition conducted by the UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies. Held every other year, the UCLA Senior Fellow program brings together 15 top leaders in the academic library field for a three-week summer institute designed to foster the advanced study of topics key to research library administrators. Weiner came to NC State from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), where she was an assistant engineering and science librarian and an education coordinator at the MIT Center for Innovation in Product Development.

The NCSU Libraries' Digital Technologies Development Librarian, **Tito Sierra**, has been awarded a Digital Library Federation (DLF) Forum Fellowship for Librarians New to the Profession. Only five information professionals are selected each year for the prestigious fellowship. The DLF is a consortium of libraries and related agencies that are pioneering the use of electronic-information technologies to extend collections and services.

Sierra joined the NCSU Libraries in January 2004, immediately after receiving his Master of Science in Information Management from Syracuse University.

The NCSU Libraries recently appointed **Josh Wilson** as Reference Librarian for Physical and Mathematical Sciences, effective July 11, 2005, and **Rob Farrell** as Geospatial Initiatives Librarian, Digital Library Initiatives department, effective May 17, 2005.

Wilson will graduate in May 2005 with the Master of Science in Information, with a specialization in Library and Information Services, from the University of Michigan School of Information. He holds the Bachelor of Arts in Physics and Astronomy, with honors, and minors in Computer Science and Mathematics, from the University of Montana.

Farrell holds the Master of Arts in Geography, with a concentration in Location Analysis and Urban Studies, from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and the Master of Business Administration, with a concentration in Logistics and Transportation, from the University of Tennessee. He graduated with the Bachelor of Science in Statistics from North Carolina State University. He has completed coursework toward the doctorate in geography at one of the nation's premiere programs at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

The NCSU Libraries recently announced the appointment of two Fellows: **Emily Tennant**, effective July 18, 2005, and **John Vickery**, effective August 1, 2005. Tennant and Vickery join **Hilary Davis** and **Jim Tuttle** as the Fellows class of 2005–2007.

The NCSU Libraries Fellows Program, in its seventh year, develops future leaders for academic libraries, with a focus on science, engineering and digital librarianship, and on library management. NCSU Libraries Fellows are appointed as librarians for a two-year term as members of the library faculty, combining work on an innovative project with a half-time assignment in a home department.

Fellow Emily Tennant will receive the Master of Science in Information from the University of Michigan in May 2005. She holds the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Hope College. Her home department will be Distance Learning

Services and her project assignment in the Systems department.

In May 2005, Fellow John Vickery will receive the Master of Science in Library Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He graduated cum laude from Appalachian State University with the Bachelors of Arts in English and Spanish and pursued graduate studies in Applied Linguistics at the University of Massachusetts Boston.

Hilary M. Davis and **James J. Tuttle's** appointments as Fellows are effective from January 2005 through December 31, 2006. Davis, who is based in the Collection Management Department, has experience in chemistry and engineering library collections and an academic background in biology. She holds the Master of Library Science degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia, the Master of Science in Biology (with a focus on Botany) from the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and the Bachelor of Science in Biology with Honors, with a minor in Geology and Chemistry, from Guilford College.

James Tuttle received the Master of Science in Library and Information Science and the Bachelor of Arts in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIU-C). As an NCSU Libraries Fellow, James Tuttle holds the additional title of Geospatial Data Librarian, assigned full-time to the National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program (NDIIPP) project.

Sha Li Zhang has been appointed Assistant Director for Technical Services at UNC Greensboro's Jackson Library, effective March 8. Sha Li comes to UNCG from Wichita State University, where she was Head of Technical Services. Sha Li holds a Ph.D in education from Kansas State University, the Master of Library Science degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, and the B.A. degree from

Lanzhou University in the People's Republic of China. She worked previously at the University of Kentucky's community/technical college system, Ohio Wesleyan University and the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg.

South Carolina

Herb Hartsook, South Caroliniana Library, has been named to the editorial board of *Provenance*, the journal of the Society of Georgia Archivists, a regional association of Southeastern archivists.

NECROLOGY

Juanita Sumner Brightwell

Juanita Sumner Brightwell, 87, died March 14, 2004. Mrs. Brightwell graduated from Georgia Southwestern College and Georgia State College for Women and received a master of librarianship from Emory University. She was the Director of Library Services of Sumter County from 1962-1964 and director of the Lake Blackshear Regional Library from 1964 until her retirement in 1980. She was an honorary life member of the Georgia Library Association and the Southeastern Library Association.

Alexander Gilchrist

Alexander MacGregor (Sandy) Gilchrist, 74, Head of Collection Development at the University of South Carolina's Thomas Cooper Library, died January 8, 2005 after a long illness. He held an undergraduate degree in classical studies from the University of South Carolina and a Master of Library Science degree from the University of Kentucky. Mr. Gilchrist served as a librarian at the University of Kentucky before becoming a reference librarian at the University of South Carolina in 1981.

John Marshall

Mr. John David Marshall, age 77, died June 6, 2005. Mr. Marshall was the bibliographer at the MTSU (Middle Tennessee State University) Library from 1976-1998. He was university librarian for nine years prior to that before stepping down to do more research and writing. Mr. Marshall received numerous awards, including the 1989 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Florida State University School of Library and Information Studies, where he graduated with a master's degree in 1951 and the 1989 Alumni Achievement Award from Bethel College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1950. Mr. Marshall's distinguished career as librarian/scholar/author includes 41 years of service to academic libraries in Florida, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee. He has authored or edited 16 books, published more than 25 articles and has contributed more than 300 book reviews.

Irmgard Wolfe

A memorial service was held Friday, June 3, at Danforth Chapel on The University of Southern Mississippi's Hattiesburg campus for Irmgard "Irmi" Wolfe, a retired Catalog Librarian and Preservationist with Southern Miss' University Libraries, who died Monday, May 30, at Forrest General Hospital. A native of Munich, Germany, Wolfe attended the University of Munich, where she studied history and English. She received master's degrees in foreign languages and library science from Southern Miss, where she also did graduate study in anthropology, with an emphasis in the field of historical archaeology. Wolfe developed the most sophisticated preservation unit in the state of Mississippi. She was a panel member for Mississippi's Old Capitol Museum, serving as a preservation consultant. She also served as editor for *The Primary Source*, a semiannual publication of The Society of Mississippi Archivists, and was a member of the Mississippi Archaeological Association and the Society of Historical Archaeology.

STATE NEWS

Arkansas

The **Fayetteville Public Library** has been awarded the 2005 Thomson/Gale Library Journal Library of the Year Award. The library was featured on the cover on the June 15 issue of Library Journal and will receive a check for \$ 10,000. The library moved into a new building in late 2004, but library executive director Louise Schaper said that, while the new building was great, it was the programs and services provided by the library and its staff that earned Fayetteville this recognition.

Arkansas held its first Latino author festival March 18-19 in Northwest Arkansas. The festival, entitled "La Voz Latina: A Celebration of Latino Authors" was sponsored by the Arkansas Center for the Book at the **Arkansas State Library**. Major funding was provided by the Arkansas Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The **Arkansas Library Paraprofessionals**, a division of the Arkansas Library Association, held a spring conference May 16-18 at the Inn of the Ozarks in Eureka Springs. The conference had an international theme, "Exploring the World @ Your Library." A basket auction and donations raised five hundred dollars for the ALPS Scholarship Fund.

The **Arkansas Association of School Librarians**, a division of the Arkansas Library Association, will hold its annual conference July 31-August 1 on the campus of Arkansas Technological University in Russellville. Ken Stanatis will deliver the keynote address, "Literacy Lab and the Media Specialist."

The latest addition to the statewide reading program, entitled If All of Arkansas Reads the Same Book, has been named by the