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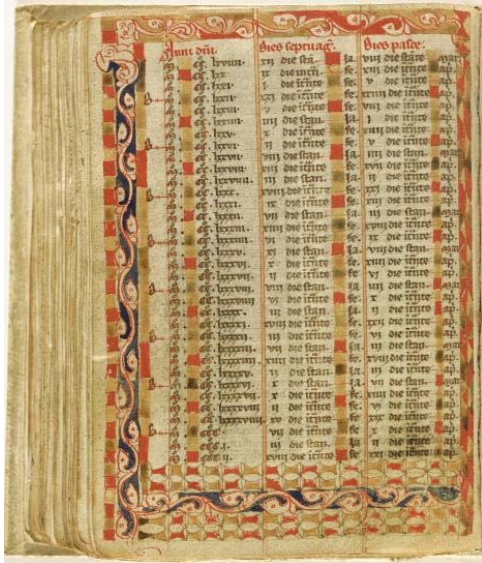
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embodies the late Dr. Breslauer's ideas when he created the foundation."



A page from the University's newly-acquired 13th-century manuscript

PEOPLE NEWS

ALABAMA

The Orange Beach Public Library announces the promotion of **Maria Baroco** to Young Adult Librarian. Ms. Baroco joined the library in 2006 as the Children's Assistant.

Annabel Stephens retired from the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Alabama on June 1. She is currently teaching as an adjunct enjoying volunteer work. She traveled in Alaska most of the summer and early fall. Professor **Michael Malinconico** and **Dr. Joan Atkinson** also retired in 2007.

GEORGIA

Katherine Ott joined the faculty at Clayton State University in Morrow, GA on February 1, 2008 as the new head of the Access & Information Services Department. Katherine comes to Georgia from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, OK.

Laura L. Carroll has been appointed Manuscript Archivist in the Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library at Emory University. Laura earned her M.L.I.S. at Dominican University, River Forest, IL, in August 2007. For the past five years she was an Archivist II at the American Medical Association in Chicago, IL.

LaGrange College honors Shepherd

On Oct. 27, 2007 LaGrange College honored **Dr. Sonya Gaither Shepherd** with the Wall of Outstanding Alumni Award, which is given to alumni who have distinguished themselves in their professions and communities.

Shepherd graduated from LaGrange College in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science. She went on to earn her Master of Science in Library Service from Clark-Atlanta University and her Ed.D. in Educational Administration from Georgia Southern University.

Since 1995, Shepherd has worked at the Zach S. Henderson Library at Georgia Southern University where today she serves as a tenured associate professor and associate department head of information services.

Shepherd is an active member of the Georgia Southern faculty and has served on the Black Green Task Force, as a faculty senate representative, on the Academic Standards Committee, the SACS Reaffirmation Team and Governance Task Force.

Over the years, Shepherd has received numerous grants and recognitions, including being named a Frye Leadership Fellow in 2005.

NORTH CAROLINA

The University Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, announces The following recent appointments:

Thea Allen will begin Sept. 1 as special project cataloger in the North Carolina Collection. She will perform retrospective cataloging for special format materials in the collection and will also be responsible for original and adaptive cataloging, online catalog maintenance and authority control. Ms. Allen was previously the serials assistant at the Environmental Protection Agency in North Carolina's Research Triangle Park. She holds a B.S. in Environmental Studies from the University of North Carolina at Asheville and her M.S.L.S. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Joshua Berkov began Oct. 1 as digital projects librarian, a one-year appointment in the Digital Publishing Office/Carolina Digital Library. Berkov will manage "Oral Histories of the American South" <http://docsouth.unc.edu/sohp/>, and UNC's "Virtual Museum" <http://museum.unc.edu/>. Berkov worked

most recently as a graduate assistant with "Documenting the American South," the Library's digital publishing endeavor that includes "Oral Histories of the American South." He holds a B.A. in ethics and political philosophy from Brown University, and an M.S.L.S. from UNC's School of Information and Library Science.

Robin Chen began Oct. 1 as assistant manuscripts reference librarian. In this one-year appointment, she will provide research and instructional services in the Library's Manuscripts Department. Chen was most recently the assistant in the department's Southern Folklife Collection. Her M.S.L.S. is from UNC's School of Information and Library Science. She holds a B.A. in classical civilization from the University of California at Berkeley.

Patrick Cullom has been appointed visual materials archivist in the North Carolina Collection Photographic Archives, effective Oct. 1. He will assist with processing archives of still and moving images, including the recently acquired collections of photographers Billy Barnes, Don Sturkey and the late Hugh Morton. Cullom was most recently the audiovisual archivist for The American Catholic History Research Center and University Archives at The Catholic University of America. He earned his B.A. in history from North Carolina State University and an M.L.S. from The Catholic University of America.

Maggie Dickson began Sept. 10 as the Watson-Brown Project librarian. In this two-year appointment funded by the Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc., Dickson will oversee digitization of the

papers of Thomas E. Watson (1856-1922), a lawyer, politician and Populist Party candidate for U.S. president and vice-president. Dickson worked most recently in the Manuscripts Department of the University Library and at the Carrboro Cybrary. She holds a B.A. in art history and an M.S.L.S., both from UNC.

Nicholas Graham began work Dec. 1 as North Carolina Maps Project Librarian in the Carolina Digital Library and Archives. In this position, Graham will manage a three-year project funded by the Library Service and Technology Act through North Carolina ECHO (Exploring Cultural Heritage Online) to digitize and publish online a comprehensive selection of early North Carolina maps. Graham is a graduate of New College of Florida, in Sarasota, with a B.A. in British and American Literature. His M.L.S. is from UNC. Graham was most recently Head of Public Services in UNC's North Carolina Collection and was previously a reference librarian at the Massachusetts Historical Society in Boston.

Chad Haefele was appointed Reference Librarian for Emerging Technologies, effective Nov. 5. In this newly created position within the Davis Library Reference Department, Haefele will apply innovative technologies to the provision of information resources and services. Haefele served most recently as interim Department Head for Distance Learning at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, where he had previously been a reference and instruction librarian. He holds a B.S. in Computer Information Systems from Grove City College in Grove City, Pa., and an

M.L.I.S. from the University of Pittsburgh.

Elizabeth Hull will begin Sept. 1 as assistant photographic archivist in the North Carolina Collection Photographic Archives. She will assist in processing and promoting awareness of the library's photographic collections, with a special focus on the archives of the late North Carolina photographer Hugh Morton. Ms. Hull served most recently as the technical services archivist/librarian for the Forest History Society in Durham, N.C. She earned a B.S. in anthropology from Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C., and an M.A. in American history from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

On Nov. 1, **Jill Sexton** became Information Infrastructure Architect in the Library Systems Office. In this position, she will help to create, improve, streamline and make interoperable the information systems that comprise the Library's Web site. Sexton was most recently an applications analyst in the UNC Library, where she had previously held positions as Systems Librarian for Integrated Library Systems and Digitization Projects Librarian. Sexton holds a B.A. in English Literature from Rowan College of New Jersey and an M.S.I.S. from UNC.

Stephanie Stewart began Aug. 15 as moving image archivist in the Manuscripts Department. Stewart will assess holdings, process materials, and develop sustainable long-range plans for collecting, preserving and providing access to archival moving image materials. Stewart worked most recently as a project assistant at the South Carolina Department of Archives and

History. She holds a B.A. in anthropology, an M.A. in public history and an M.L.S., all from the University of South Carolina. She also holds a certificate from the L. Jeffrey Selznick School of Film Preservation at the George Eastman House in Rochester, N.Y.

Sue Darden Williams announced her retirement as Director of the Albemarle Regional Library effective July 1, 2008. During the course of over 30 years of public library work, she has been the library director of two other N. C. public library systems (Rockingham County, Stanly County) and of the Norfolk (Va.) Public Library. Prior to attending library school, she worked as a paraprofessional at ARL and is delighted that she ends her career with the library where she fell in love with the profession.

NCSU Libraries' Curator of Architecture Named Hon. AIA

The American Institute of Architects (AIA) has announced the upcoming award of honorary membership to **Catherine W. Bishir**, the NCSU Libraries' curator of architecture special collections, "in recognition of her distinguished service to the profession of architecture and the allied arts and sciences." Honorary membership is one of the highest honors presented to non-architects by the AIA. This year, just seven individuals will be granted the title of Honorary AIA. The award will be presented at the annual AIA convention in Boston on May 15, 2008.

Catherine Bishir, who joined the Libraries in February 2007, has achieved national prominence in the field of

historic preservation. The Honorary AIA announcement stated, "As a scholar, she has authored or co-authored a dozen books and numerous articles for national publications. While the focus of her work is the architecture of her adopted state of North Carolina and the region, the issues have national importance in the study of the built environment and preservation. Architects and Builders in North Carolina and North Carolina Architecture are two of her acclaimed works. Also an activist and organizer, Bishir is a co-founder of Vernacular Architectural Forum, through which she challenged historians to look beyond architecture as isolated examples of high art to see the simple beauty and efficiency of the less grandly built world as well as broad patterns of development. In addition, she widely promoted the study and preservation of the architecture of the recent past well before it became a popular notion."

The NCSU Libraries has been a repository for materials documenting the architectural history of North Carolina for many years, building collections of regional and national significance. As the curator of architecture special collections, Bishir is working with other staff to create an online biographical dictionary of North Carolina architects and builders, contributing to the growth of the architecture archive, and consulting on digitization projects and grants.

To explore the Special Collections Research Center's architecture collections, visit <http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/specialcollections/find/architecture.html> and <http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/specialcollections/digital/subject.html>

Mary Krautter is the new Head of Reference and Instructional Services for the University Libraries at UNC Greensboro. She previously worked at the University of Kentucky Libraries as Director of Interdisciplinary Information Literacy .



The NCSU Libraries has appointed **Matthew S. Sumner** as **Geospatial Data Services Librarian** effective 1 November 2007, and **Jason Casden** as **Digital Technologies Development Librarian** effective 17 December 2007.

As Geospatial Data Services Librarian, **Matt Sumner** will develop and manage spatial and numeric data resources and services, including GIS services, which support teaching, research, and extension/engagement. He will consult with faculty and students to analyze data needs and to develop instructional modules, including classroom presentations, Web-based tutorials, data documentation, and research resources. He will participate in the selection, organization, delivery, and management of data collections. In addition he will establish configurations for the Libraries' public GIS

workstations and offers guidance in their use.

As Digital Technologies Development Librarian, **Jason Casden** will provide leadership and hands on programming expertise for digital library projects. He will identify emerging technologies that have potential for new and improved library services; and develop functional prototypes of new digital library services through an iterative process that emphasizes performance, sustainability, and usability. Collaborating closely with Information Technology staff to develop and maintain supporting technology infrastructure, Casden will maintain and provide enhancements to existing digital library applications.

Two NCSU Librarians Tapped as 'Emerging Leaders'

Two NCSU librarians have been selected from a competitive pool of applicants for the Emerging Leaders 2008 program sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA).

Mary Chimato, Head of Access and Delivery Services, and **Jacquie Samples**, Serials and Electronic Resources Librarian, were accepted for the program, which enables 120 young librarians nationwide to get on the fast track to ALA and professional leadership.

Participants are expected to put their leadership skills to use by accepting a term of service on a committee of the ALA or one of its divisions, such as the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL).

Emerging Leaders 2008 will kick off with a day-long training session during the 2008 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Philadelphia, followed by six months of online work. The program will culminate at the June 2008 ALA Annual Conference in Anaheim, California.



Chimato, who joined the NCSU Libraries in January 2007, manages a department that encompasses several key public services areas: circulation, reserves, current periodicals, media/microforms, interlibrary loan and document delivery, and stack services. She holds the MS in Library and Information Science and the MS in Information Systems from Drexel University.

Ms. Samples, who has been at NC State since April 2003, negotiates the Libraries' numerous licenses for serials and digital resources, oversees their processing and description, and also manages the monographs unit in the Acquisitions Department. She manages the SFX KnowledgeBase and is co-leading the implementation of the E-Matrix, an innovative management system for print and electronic journals, serials, databases, and aggregated resources. She holds the MA in Library and Information Science from the

University of Iowa.



Links to this announcement on the NCSU Libraries' news blog: <http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/news/libraries.php?p=4951&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1>

SOUTH CAROLINA

On 1 May 2007, the Florence County Library System welcomed Mr. **Ray McBride** as its new director. He succeeds Mr. George Hobeika who retired after 32.5 years of service. In his new position, he leads a staff of 101 employees in six libraries with one bookmobile.

Mr. McBride served previously at the Greenville County Library System as Operations and Information Technology Manager. He was project manager and consultant on technology for the Hughes Main Library and also served as project manager for four new branch libraries.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in history from Campbell University in Buies Creek, North Carolina and a Master's degree in Library Science from North Carolina Central University in Durham. Prior to this, he served 23 years in the United

States Army, attaining the rank of Command Sergeant Major.

Prior to his service in Greenville, he was System Administrator and Reference Librarian at the Darlington County Library. During this time, Mr. McBride won the South Carolina MCI Cybrarian of the year award in 1998.

He joined SCLA in 1998. His service to SCLA includes Vice-Chair and Chair of the Public Library Section, Vice-Chair and Chair of the System Managers Roundtable.

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