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Mercer University news and notes

The staff of the Swilley Library at Mercer University in Atlanta distributed a reminder of the library's presence to all students the week of Valentine's Day. The 4-by-5.5-inch cards were made from recycled paper.



and Donald Beagle. Charles Beard served as director of university libraries at the University of West Georgia from 1978-2004. The lecture series, GLA's Charles Beard Library Advocacy Award, and the Charles Beard Scholarship awarded annually by GLA are among the memorials honoring his many years of service.

The University of West Georgia has named Jan Ruskell professor and librarian emeritus. Ruskell served as a member of the faculty in the Irvine Sullivan Ingram Library from 1970 until her retirement in 2008. She influenced the growth and direction of the library as interlibrary loan librarian, map librarian, bibliographic instruction coordinator and reference coordinator, and she started the university's online "Ask a Librarian" service.

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Dr. D. Russell Bailey, library director at Phillips Memorial Library, Providence College, Providence, R.I., will be the 2009 Charles Beard Lecture Series speaker. The Beard Lecture will serve as the keynote address for the 2009 Atlanta Area Bibliographic Instruction Group conference "The Learning Commons: New Frontiers in Instruction," to be held at the University of West Georgia on May 29. Mary Jane Rootes, assistant professor and instructional services librarian, is president of BIG. Dr. Bailey co-authored "Transforming Library Service Through Information Commons: Case Studies for the Digital Age" (ALA 2008) with Barbara Tierney, and "Information Commons Handbook" (Neal Schuman 2006) with Tierney

Shelley Rogers has been appointed assistant professor and senior cataloging librarian. She holds an MILS from the University of Michigan and master's and bachelor's degrees from Kent State University.

Charles Sicignano has been appointed instructor and electronic resources librarian. He holds the MLS from Florida State University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Tennessee. ▶▶

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