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From the Editor

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From the Editor

I hope this issue finds all of you well and adjusting to the fiscal realities affecting your individual libraries and institutions. The economic situation has hit everyone, and SELA is not exempt. As you will note from this issue, we are publishing the journal on a lesser quality paper stock than was done in the past. This should decrease our printing costs by about half. This decision was made at the SELA business meeting held as part of the September Arkansas Library Association/SELA joint conference. At this meeting, it was discussed whether *The Southeastern Librarian* should be published totally in an online format. A survey previously posted on the SELA listserv regarding this issue revealed that while most respondents understood the need to go this direction, preference was given for the continuation of the print format for the “scholarly” issues. As a compromise, I suggested that we investigate a lower quality format and reassess the situation again in the future. If you have opinions regarding this issue, feel free to contact me at bratcher@nku.edu. A formal survey will most likely be administered again in 2011.

This issue contains three articles which span the interests of public and technical service librarians. [Making Research Make Sense: Guiding College Students into Information Literacy Through the Information Search Process](#) by Jeffrey M. Mortimore is based on a presentation given at the Arkansas Library Association/SELA conference as part of the New Voices program. This program provides the opportunity for new librarians with less than five years of experience to share their work with others. This particular article outlines a method for presenting the “one shot” information literacy session using C.C. Kuhlthau’s Information Search Process model.

[The Mississippi Digital Library’s Civil Rights Thesaurus: An Evolving Authority Control Tool for Civil Rights-Related Headings in Metadata Records](#) by Kathleen L. Wells presents process of creating headings for records limited to a specific genre. The challenges for creating metadata for a local specialized collection are addressed. These challenges would need to be addressed for other specialized collections as well.

As a contrast to the article by Mortimore, Ellen K. Wilson and Jeffrey M. Blankenship discuss a collaborative effort for addressing information literacy in their article entitled [Integrated Information Literacy Instruction in an Upper-Division Writing-Intensive Class](#). While this effort had varied degrees of success, the issues offer room for rethinking and improvement.

Perry Bratcher
Editor

Correction

In the Spring edition, the author of the book review *Northern Money, Southern Land: the Lowcountry Plantation Sketches of Cholotilde R. Martin* was attributed to J.W. McRee of the Florida County Library System. Mr. McRee is actually with the Florence County (SC) Library System. My apologies for the error.