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From the Editor

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From the Editor

Fall is generally noted as the season of “change”. There have been many behind the scenes changes affecting *The Southeastern Librarian* (SELn) which I would like to note here. First, we have changed printers in order to save costs. The printer used to develop this issue used a more advanced process than our previous printer. The Association had considered publication in an online format only, but felt that the treasury was healthy enough to sustain the print publication with the aforementioned cost savings. Thanks to those of you who have also helped by requesting the online format only. SELn is also in the process of providing access to previous issues via the Kennesaw State University repository (<http://digitalcommons.kennesaw.edu/>). The Editorial Board changed this year also. We hope that these changes will improve the publication. Let me know if you have other suggestions and/or comments.

This month’s issue contains an article by Christopher Shaffer entitled “Best Practices for Hiring Academic Librarians with Faculty Status and Rank”. During these tough economic times, positions are scarce and applicants are plentiful. It is important that libraries fill these positions with the best qualified applicants available. Filling positions for academic librarians with faculty rank and status creates challenges which need to be carefully considered. This article addresses issues both in the hiring and retention of the best candidates.

Stephen Parks describes his library’s success in meeting user needs through his article entitled “One Mississippi Library’s Experience in Opening up the State Judiciary to Greater Access by the Library Patron”. The process of providing detailed access to information embedded in legal documents is outlined showing benefits for the library staff and patrons. This information helps for preparation in future court cases.

You will also find an ever-expanding book review section. These book reviews cover titles which have subject matter pertaining to the south or are by southern authors. If you would like to be a reviewer, contact me.

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Editor