SELA NEWS:

The 2013 SCLA/SELA Joint Conference will be held November 13-15, 2013 in Greenville, SC.

SCLA has created a page about the conference, which contains information about hotel reservation rates, conference deadlines, etc., at http://scla.org/content/sclasela-joint-conference-2013

The deadline to submit a poster session proposal is August 31, 2013.

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HBCU NEWS:

HBCU Library Alliance Announces ASERL Librarian Exchange Participants

The Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Library Alliance is pleased to announce the participants of the Librarian Exchange Program with the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL).

A component of the HBCU Library Alliance’s Leadership Institute, the Librarian Exchange Program, in partnership with ASERL, focuses on development of emerging leaders at HBCU libraries. In Phase IV of the Leadership Program, the exchange program has been expanded to allow for hosts from HBCUs, as well as ASERL. This encourages sharing of HBCU library best practices, increases networking within the HBCU community, and explores the internal capacity to sustain the exchange program beyond the grant. Seven more HBCU librarians will work with another library, either an HBCU or ASERL library, on a pre-identified area for strategic development within the HBCU. In addition, staff from host
exchange libraries will spend time at the partner HBCU. Travel costs for participating librarians to visit their partner’s library during the Exchange are covered by grant funding from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

The goals of the exchange program are to develop and foster connections between libraries and strengthen skills of emerging leaders through focused initiatives to improve library services and programs. Each exchange includes significant time onsite at the partner libraries — typically about two weeks — to design and plan implementation of a project that is strategically important to the HBCU library. The first set of Exchanges occurred in the Summer of 2006, with additional exchanges in 2008 and 2010. By identifying, analyzing, designing and implementing these projects, both ASERL and HBCU librarians gain valuable insight into the workings of each other’s library, and build new project management and leadership skills.

Many participants have fostered long-lasting, beneficial relationships between both individual librarians and between their libraries. Exchange librarians were selected through an application process. Selection criteria include: the applicant’s potential for leadership as demonstrated by their past record of achievement; history of the applicant’s creative contribution to organizational problem-solving; the applicant’s experience in effective engagement within and outside of the library; articulation of the strategic area that will be the focus of the exchange and how the exchange will advance the library and university missions; and plans for sharing the benefits of the exchange with others on campus. Selection decisions were made by the HBCU Library Alliance Executive Director and ASERL Executive Director. Successful applicants have been matched to an ASERL or HBCU library with interest in the exchange program and strength in the strategic area of focus identified by the exchange librarian.

HBCU Library Alliance/ASERL Exchange Match participants are:

- Kieren Bailey – Oakwood Univ. (AL)
- Ivy Brannen – Savannah State Univ. (GA)
- Cotina Jones – NC Central Univ. (NC)
- Rhonda McCoy – Paine Coll. (GA)
- Marcella McGowan – Johnson C. Smith Univ. (NC)
- Jordan Moore – Atlanta Univ. Center Woodruff Library (GA)
- Jennifer Townes – St. Augustine’s Univ. (NC)

“The Exchange program is a wonderful learning and collaborative process allowing partners to gain hands-on experience and new perspectives,” states Mary Jo Fayoyin, Director of Library Services at Savannah State University (GA) and Chair of the HBCU Library Alliance Board of Directors.

“We are excited to continue our partnership with ASERL through the Exchange Program, as it aligns with our goal of enhancing education through librarianship and working together to be more effective,” says Sandra Phoenix, HBCU Library Alliance Executive Director.

For more information about the HBCU Library Alliance, please visit www.hbculibraries.org.

STATE NEWS

MISSISSIPPI

MSU Libraries One of Top 25 Social Media Libraries

Mississippi State University Libraries has been ranked as number one in the SEC and number 24 across the nation in an article titled “100 Most Social Media Friendly College & University Libraries for 2013.” The article, published on April 4, 2013 by Library Science List, evaluated 442 college and university libraries across the nation, based on their level of activity on various social media platforms. MSU Libraries scored 82.2 out of a possible 100 points. Platforms evaluated include Twitter, Facebook, Flickr, Pinterest, YouTube, and Google Plus.

Social Media, Extension, Ag & Life Sciences Librarian at MSU Amanda Clay Powers says that “The MSU Libraries have been a leader on campus in social media and emerging technologies since we embraced the idea in summer 2006. Starting with our first “Library 2.0” Summit in summer 2007, we began developing the in-house expertise to meet the changing needs of the University. We now have deep expertise in house for teaching, research, outreach and service in the area of social media. We have kept up as the field has grown and changed and matured over time.”
NORTH CAROLINA

Metrolina Library Association Hosts Conference

Metrolina Library Association was proud to host the 8th Annual Metrolina Information Literacy Conference on June 13th, 2013 at the Johnson & Wales campus in Charlotte, NC. The day-long event included four discussion tracks including Pedagogy/Instruction, Diversity, Collaboration, and Assessment with over 120 presenters and attendees from universities, community colleges, and K-12 institutions throughout the region. Dr. Stephen Bell, Associate University Librarian for Research and Instructional Services at Temple University and current President of ACRL provided a stellar keynote entitled, “Higher Education Rebooted: Exploring the New Mysteries of Information Literacy.” For more information please visit Metrolina Library Association’s website at http://www.mlalibrary.org.

NCSU Libraries Completes “Cultivating a Revolution” Project

The North Carolina State University Libraries has recently completed a two-year project to digitize and make accessible over 40,000 pages of documents critical to understanding the history of agriculture in North Carolina.

“Cultivating a Revolution: Science, Technology, and Change in North Carolina Agriculture, 1950-1979” serves students, teachers, researchers, and the general public by documenting the development of modern agricultural practices and their economic impact across the state of North Carolina. The industry currently generates $70 billion in value annually in the state. Drawing from thirteen different archival collections held by the Libraries’ Special Collections Research Center, “Cultivating a Revolution” provides primary source documentation and valuable historical information about the evolution of modern agricultural practices in North Carolina and the southeastern United States at large.

Highlights of the collection include drawings by Dr. William Johnson, Dr. William Splinter, and their graduate assistants in the College of Agriculture and Life Science of their designs for tobacco harvesters and bulk curing barns; correspondence with the international academic and business community regarding developments at NC State on bulk curing and mechanized harvesting of tobacco and other crops; and documentation of research into pesticide development, plant disease prevention, and genetic modification of crops.

In addition to the text and photographic materials, over one hundred and fifty 16mm films from the University Archives Film Collection and the Department of Biological and Agricultural Records at NC State are now available online. The films include interviews with scientists, engineers, extension workers, and farmers who developed and applied innovative agricultural practices, as well as footage of the application of these practices around North Carolina. The films include interviews with the creators and users of the newly developed bulk curing barns in the mid-1960s, a visit to the NC State Dairy Farm in the 1950s, and test runs of sweet potato and cucumber harvesters at the university’s research stations.

The funds to support this work were awarded by the State Library of North Carolina and are made possible through funding from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources.

The “Cultivating a Revolution” website at www.lib.ncsu.edu/specialcollections/projects/cultivating-a-revolution.html provides more information on the project and links to the digitized materials. The NCSU Libraries’ Rare and Unique Materials website at go.ncsu.edu/cultivatingarevolution also makes it easy to access the digitized materials from the project.

If you have questions or would like to learn more, please contact the Digital Program Librarian for Special Collections, Brian Dietz, at brian_dietz@ncsu.edu.

North Carolina State University Dedicates the “the Library of the Future”

inspiring and technologically sophisticated learning and collaborative spaces, the Hunt Library is designed to be a decisive competitive edge for the university, an institution that has forged its reputation by teaching students to live on the fore of change and enabling its researchers to do transformative work.

A central tenet of the Hunt Library is to democratize access to the technologies that are driving our economy and culture.

Five huge Christie MicroTiles high-definition display walls give faculty and students hands-on experience with the large-scale visualization tools that are reshaping how we create and view data and digital media. The Game Lab supports NC State’s Digital Games Research Center by providing an experimental commons to explore collaborative game design and the role of gaming in education and training. The library’s Teaching and Visualization Lab and the Creativity Studio offer unique visualization and simulation capabilities that help define the next generation of teaching and learning spaces. 3-D printing and extensive digital media production facilities enable rapid iteration for prototyping and give students and faculty more of the tools they need to lead tomorrow’s workforce. State-of-the-art videoconferencing and telepresence technologies enable collaboration with colleagues across the state and around the world. And technology permeates all of the group study rooms throughout the building where students gather constantly to learn and work together.

The Hunt Library’s robotic bookBot automated retrieval system is capable of holding two million volumes in 1/9 the space of conventional shelving. Virtual Browse, which brings serendipitous discovery to the 21st century, allows users to see a virtual shelf of the materials that are classified near the resources found by their initial search.

Early projects that have already capitalized on the library’s technologies include an immersive simulator to train naval ROTC midshipmen to operate the bridge of a modern warship, a 3-D recreation of St. Paul’s Cross during John Donne’s tenure at the cathedral that demonstrates the impact of 17th-century sermons as they were actually delivered, a student-created video game based on the Hunt Library’s book circulation patterns, and prototypes of a range of engineering projects including tactile models to allow the visually impaired to navigate complex traffic intersections.

The bold architecture of the building itself reflects its bold purpose: to provide the inspiring spaces that encourage future leaders to learn, work, and create more brilliantly. Recently named one of the ten most innovative architectural firms in the world by Fast Company, Snøhetta, the Hunt Library’s lead designer, has been honored with the Mies van der Rohe Prize for Contemporary Architecture and the European Award for Urban Public Space. The firm has won international acclaim for such projects as the Library of Alexandria, the Oslo Opera House, the National September 11 Memorial and Museum Pavilion, and the redesign of New York City’s Times Square. Executive architects Pearce Brinkley Cease + Lee are responsible for some of the most memorable buildings in North Carolina.

There is perhaps no library anywhere that has been more consciously crafted with what Snøhetta principal Craig Dykers has called “the unseen aspects of place-making” the ability for the architecture to create spaces that encourage collaboration, reflection, creativity, and awe. The inspirational impact of the new building is reflected in the more than 1,700 Instagram photos that the
The NC State community has uploaded to the My#HuntLibrary social media site since the library opened on January 2, 2013.

The Hunt Library serves both as NC State’s second main library and as the intellectual and social heart of the university’s Centennial Campus. Named the nation’s top research park in 2007, Centennial Campus is a nexus of collaboration where students and faculty work with more than sixty corporate and governmental partners to craft the innovations that will shape tomorrow.

“This building was designed from the start to be an icon, a dramatic representation of how transformational technology and a commitment to the growth of our community will thrust NC State University even further into the foreground,” explains Chancellor W. Randolph Woodson. “It embodies what NC State stands for, a beacon for technology and transformation in the 21st century.”

“Our vision was to give NC State a signature library that would help us recruit the very best students and the very best faculty and to serve the community as an inspiring place of excellence and passion and ideas and vision,” concludes Susan K. Nutter, vice provost and director of the NCSU Libraries. “You cannot be in this building without realizing that something very important is happening at this university.”

**UNC Greensboro Awarded Grant**

The University of North Carolina at Greensboro was recently awarded a 3rd ACE (Academic and Cultural Enrichment) Scholars grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program.

As part of this grant, UNC-G needs to recruit 10 students from under-represented communities into their ALA-accredited two-year Master of Library and Information Studies (MLIS) degree program and prepare them for professional positions in community college libraries, with emphasis on serving diverse populations, including refugees and immigrants.

The program can be completed online or face-to-face on the campus in Greensboro, NC. The program requires a full semester practicum in a community college and service learning projects, as well as specialized course work in community college librarianship. As fellow NCLA members, we are hoping that you might be able to identify staff members, former students, or interested others to join the program.

**The ACE Scholars will receive:**

- full tuition and fees, and a monthly stipend to attend the UNCG LIS program
- memberships to ALA and NCLA or other state organization
- community college practicum opportunities
- networking and mentoring opportunities from community college librarians

The time for application is short. A completed application must be submitted to the graduate school by **August 1, 2013**. The program will start in mid-August. The program is fast-tracked. It must be completed in 2 years.

**To apply:**

1) To apply for admission to the graduate school. For this they will need:
   - Recent (within 5 years) GRE scores
   - Transcripts from either a US institution or have transcripts from a non-US institution evaluated by a NACES accredited organization.
   - A validation of proficiency in English if it is not your native language and if you have international transcripts.

2) To apply for the ACE Scholars Program for Community College Librarianship scholarship. Please submit:

   - The application
   - A personal statement that explains your interest in community college libraries
     - The statement can be a written document or a video presentation
     - Discuss in up to 500 words why you are interested in participating in the current ACE Scholars Program and
     - Discuss in up to 500 words what value your diversity background/experiences will add to community college libraries serving diverse communities, such as New Americans
3) Participate in an interview with the grant’s principal investigators in person or through some other medium.

Click here to complete the ACE Scholar application and upload your documents.

Learn about admission and application requirements here: http://lis.uncg.edu/prospective-studentsadmission/

SOUTH CAROLINA

Prepared in Mind and Resources: Collaboration, Relevance, and the Re-Imagined Archives
October 16-18, 2013

The South Carolina Archival Association, the Society of North Carolina Archivists and the Society of Georgia Archivists are pleased to announce that registration is now open for the Tri-State Archivists Meeting, which will take place October 16 - 18, 2013 at Furman University located in Greenville, South Carolina.

The theme of the meeting is Prepared in Mind and Resources: Collaboration, Relevance, and the Re-Imagined Archives, and will include presentations on the collaborative spirit between archives, libraries, historians, museums, and the wide variety of projects they undertake. Also on the program will be sessions reflecting archival practice in the areas of marketing, outreach, processing, digital archives, and instruction. You’ll want to check out the poster presentations as well!

Keynote speaker Emily Gore is the Director for Content, Digital Public Library of America, and Dr. Clifford Kuhn (past president, Oral History Association; Georgia State University) will be our lunchtime plenary.

The Tri-State Education Committee will be offering the following pre-conference workshops on Wednesday, October 16: Digital Repositories (a SAA DAS Workshop), Archival Boot Camp, and an Oral History Workshop. Pay close attention to your listservs for upcoming information on registration.

Early bird registration fees for the meeting are $75 for members of SCAA, SNCA, and SGA, $50 for student members of SCAA, SNCA, and SGA, and $100 for non-members. SGA Members should log in to receive the member rate. To receive the early bird price, registration must be submitted online by September 13th! To register, please visit http://www.soga.org/events?eventId=638926&EventViewMode=EventDetails

Registration fees include: Thursday and Friday sessions and poster exhibits; Thursday and Friday continental breakfast and food and beverage breaks; access to exhibiting vendors; luncheon on Thursday (vegetarian options available); dessert reception and silent auction on Thursday evening at the Upcountry History Museum located in downtown Greenville, South Carolina (wine included), and complementary wireless login at Younts Conference Center (please indicate on registration form).

For information on directions, lodging, the reception location, and local activities (to be added soon), please visit: http://www.soga.org/AM_Local

On behalf of the Tri-State Archivists Meeting Program, Local Arrangements, and Education Committees, we look forward to seeing you in October!

PEOPLE NEWS

FLORIDA

University of Central Florida Libraries

The University of Central Florida (UCF) Libraries is pleased to announce the arrival of Carrie Moran, who joined the faculty of the UCF Regional Campus Libraries on May 10, 2013, as the Osceola Regional Librarian. Moran received her MLIS from Drexel University. Before accepting the position with the UCF Libraries, Ms. Moran was a reference librarian at the Cleveland Community College in Shelby, North Carolina. Ms. Moran is a member of Beta Phi Mu and her professional memberships include the American Library Association and its division, Association of College & Research Libraries.
Sai Deng Receives President’s Recognition Award

Esther Lee, President of the Chinese-American Librarians Association (CALA), announced that Sai Deng, Metadata Librarian at the University of Central Florida (UCF) Libraries received one of three 2013 President’s Recognition Awards at the 40th Anniversary Celebration and Awards Banquet on June 30 in Chicago as part of the 2013 American Library Association/CALA Annual Conference.

Sai Deng received her Bachelor of Arts degree in History Education from the Hunan National University in China and her MLIS degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Before taking the position at the John C. Hitt Library, Sai Deng was Assistant Professor and Metadata Librarian at Wichita State University.

In addition, Ms. Deng is an enthusiastic advocate of diversity and research, and collaboration with Chinese American librarians, library school faculty, and Chinese librarians, and a prodigious author (5 peer-reviewed journal articles, 14 peer-reviewed conference presentations and proceedings, a book chapter, and 17 newspaper articles and book reviews.

The Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) began in 1973 as a regional organization in Illinois. By 1979 there were five chapters in Northeast, Mid-West, Atlantic, Southwest and California respectively. CALA’s mission is to enhance communication among Chinese American librarians and American librarians, serve as a forum for the discussion of professional concerns and problems, and promote the understanding and exchanges among librarians in the U.S. and abroad.

Mary Page Elected President Elect of ALCTS

Mary Page, Associate Director for Collections & Technical Services at the University of Central Florida (UCF) Libraries since August 2010, was recently elected President Elect of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS). Ms. Page’s term begins July 2013 at the end of the American Library Association 2013 Annual Conference in Chicago.

The President’s Recognition Award recognizes and honors a philosophy of dedication, quality of service, and professional integrity as well as demonstrated leadership and significant contributions toward the many areas of importance to the mission and goals of CALA.

Sai Deng, a member of CALA since 2006, has served on many committees, e.g., Presidential Initiative Taskforce and the CALA Publication Committee, and played significant and creative roles as co-editor of the CALA Newsletter, designing and translating publicity materials, website design, and co-creating and contributing to a Facebook presence for CALA.

Ms. Page has been actively involved in ALCTS, serving as director-at-large for the Board of
Directors (2009-2012), co-chair of the Program Committee (2012-2013), and chair of the Continuing Resources Section (2004-2005).

Prior to the University of Central Florida, Ms. Page held positions at the University of California, Davis and Rutgers University. She is a member of Beta Phi Mu and Phi Beta Kappa.

The American Library Association (ALA) is the oldest and largest (with more than 62,000 members) library association in the world. ALCTS is one of its 11 divisions. ALCTS is composed of nearly 4,000 members from across the United States and 42 countries around the globe. ALCTS develops standards and best practices for creating, collecting, and preserving information resources in all forms.

GEORGIA

Former President of SELA Retiring

Smyrna Public Library Director and former SELA President Michael Seigler will be retiring after almost 40 years in the library profession.

Mr. Seigler began his career in 1974 at the Leesburg (Fla.) Public Library. Soon, he was named as Director. “I ended up being the youngest library director in Florida at age 27,” said Seigler. “That was purely a matter of luck. It had nothing to do with skill or anything. Looking back on it, I realize I didn’t know what the heck I was doing.”

Mr. Seigler has specific goals for his retirement, which will begin on Dec. 28, his last day at the library he served since 1995.

“I’m a compulsive learner. I always have to be learning,” he said. “For a long time I was able to learn a lot in the library, but I finally thought about it and realized the things that interest me the most are philosophy and music. The only way I can really get to where I want to be is to give myself more time.”

Philosophy will be covered by his first action, studying at the University of West Georgia where he is currently enrolled. His musical appetite will be whetted in various ways. “I do a radio show. I do a jazz program on WRFG on Tuesday nights,” Seigler said. “This will give me a chance to improve my show. Part of what I’m going to be able to do at West Georgia is take their communications classes, which include radio programming and hardware. So I’ll spin that over into the radio.” “When it comes to music, I’m averaging (attending) one concert a week. I’ll probably do more,” Mr. Seigler said. “The last thing I’ll do, I’ve always wanted to learn to play the guitar but never had, my frustration level was too high. That’s the reality of it. I want to go electric. I want to shake the neighborhood.”

In his current position at Smyrna Public Library, Mr. Seigler has initiated technological changes benefitting his patrons. “I’m proud of being one of the first people to use wireless in a library,” he said about Wi-Fi Internet access. “I’m proud we’ve been able to keep up with the changing technologies because there’s been so much change.” Despite hard economic times, the library’s budget went from $623,000 in fiscal 2012 to $646,000 in fiscal 2013, which ends June 30, part of the city of Smyrna budget of $39 million.

SELA wishes the best for Mr. Seigler in his retirement and appreciates his work as President of SELA in 2011-12.

Georgia Southwestern State University Appoints New Dean

Ru Story-Huffman was recently appointed Dean of Library Services at Georgia Southwestern State University. Ru is also a member of the SELA Membership & Mentoring Committee.

MISSISSIPPI
Kathleen Wells, Senior Catalog Librarian at the University of Southern Mississippi retired at the end of March after a forty-year career in libraries, seventeen of which were spent in Mississippi. She received her M.S.L.S. at Louisiana State University. Ms. Wells served as Coordinator of Cataloging Services at the Mississippi Library Commission from 1995-1998 before moving to Southern Miss as Senior Catalog Librarian. Among her many accomplishments at Southern Miss are her invaluable participation in two online library system migrations, responsibility for cataloging Special Collections materials and elimination of catalog backlogs of Mississippi state documents and rare books, and her training and mentoring of staff and librarians into successful professional librarian careers of their own.

An active member of Mississippi Library Association (MLA), she has given many presentations at MLA conferences and MLA’s Technical Services Round Table workshops, as well as at Southeastern Librarian Association conferences. She played a key role in the Cooperative Online Resource Catalog (CORC) project of the Online Computer Library Center (1999), designed to integrate records for Web resources into library catalogs. She was responsible for formalizing Name Authority Cooperative Program (NACO) authority work during 2001-2013. She authored nationally published surveys on authority work and on the impact of downsizing technical services positions in libraries. In service to Southern Miss, Kathy served as corresponding secretary on Academic Council (2004-2006) and twice represented University Libraries on the University Advisory Committee.

NORTH CAROLINA

UNC Greensboro

Beth Bernhardt has been appointed Assistant Dean for Collection Management and Scholarly Communications for the University Libraries at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She was previously Electronic Resources Librarian at UNCG, and has consulted with a number of other libraries and organizations.

UNC Chapel-Hill

The University Library is pleased to announce two recent appointments:

Jason Tomberlin was named Head of Special Collections Research and Instructional Services June 1.

In this position, Mr. Tomberlin will provide leadership and administration in special collections for research and reference services, instructional programs, stacks management, user information channels, permissions and reproduction services, and data reporting. As a member of the management group of the Wilson Special Collections Library, he will help to plan and implement goals, priorities, policies, and workflows for special collections, and to promote use of special collections at the University.

Prior to this appointment, Mr. Tomberlin served as Public Services Librarian, also at UNC’s Wilson Special Collections Library. He holds an M.A. in public history from North Carolina State University and a B.A. in history from UNC.
Lauren Menges was appointed Manuscripts Digitization Project Librarian, effective May 1.

Ms. Menges will coordinate operational activities for the multi-year grant Content, Context, and Capacity: A Collaborative Large-Scale Digitization Project on the Long Civil Rights Movement in North Carolina. Members of the Triangle Research Libraries Network (TRLN) will digitize approximately forty modern manuscript collections and archival record groups and make them freely available online.

Lauren has served as temporary Project Manager for the Content, Context, and Capacity project at UNC. She has also held a librarian appointment at the Ridley-Lowell Business and Technical Institute in Binghamton, N.Y.

She holds an M.L.I.S. from the University of Pittsburgh and a B.A. in English from Lafayette College in Easton, Penn.

University of North Carolina Library Announces Newest Library Associate Appointments

The University Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, welcomes its newest class of Carolina Academic Library Associates (CALAs) for the 2013-2014 academic year.

Alison Blaine, of Durham, N.C., will work with the Library and Information Technology department. She will be part of the team that is responsible for technical development of the Carolina Digital Repository and the Curator’s Workbench. She is a graduate of Duke University and holds a Master of Theological Studies from the Harvard Divinity School.

Hillary Miller, of Birmingham, Ala., will work with the E-Resources & Serials Management department, where she will be involved in the acquisition and management processes for electronic resources. She holds a B.A. in English from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Sarah Morris, of Asheville, N.C., will have a placement with Davis Library Research and Instructional Services. She will provide traditional reference services and also participate in a full range of liaison services. She is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Jaci Wilkinson, of Decorah, Iowa, will have joint appointment with the Preservation and Music Cataloging departments. She will work with both units on a combination of special projects and ongoing processes. She holds a B.A. from Luther College in Decorah.

The Library also congratulates its graduating CALAs: Christopher Holden, Benjamin Jahre, and Sara Suiter.

The Library introduced the CALA program in 2000 to help prepare graduate students at UNC’s School of Information and Library Science (SILS) for careers in academic librarianship.

CALAs work 20 hours per week in their assigned department, for which they receive a salary, tuition awards, health insurance, and professional development opportunities. To learn more about the CALA program, visit the http://www.lib.unc.edu/cala/.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Francis Marion University

Linda D. Becote, Technical Services Librarian at Francis Marion University, retired June 28 after 35 years of awesome service. The librarians and staff of the James A. Rogers Library welcomed Demetra Walker Pearson, as the new Technical Services Librarian on July 1. Mrs. Pearson returns to Rogers Library after a twelve year stewardship as the Director of the Williamsburg Technical College Library in Kingstree, South Carolina. She is a 1985 graduate of Francis Marion University and received the master’s in Library and Information Science from the University of South Carolina in 1991.
Greenville County Library System Earns National and State Awards

The Greenville County Library System and staff members have earned top national and state recognition for outstanding work in youth services and graphic design.

Karen Allen, Youth Services Manager, was recently awarded the Friends of South Carolina Libraries 2013 Public Library Employee Excellence Award. She was nominated by the Friends of the Greenville County Library System for her “passion for promoting literacy to children combined with her creative efforts, effective management, positive leadership and contributions to the community.”

Just awarded at the July ALA Conference, Graphic Designer, Michelle Hannon, garnered four Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA) PR Xchange Awards for the Greenville County Library System with her outstanding graphic design work. Of more than 200 submitted entries, two of Ms. Hannon’s original designs were honored as “Best in Show.” These awards recognize premier public relations materials produced by libraries in the past year. Entries are evaluated based on content, originality and design by a team of experts in public relations, graphic design, communications and marketing who select the honorees in each category.

The Greenville County Library System has hosted and coordinated a series of Money Smart classes taught by members of the Rotary Club of Greenville. Its volunteer outreach efforts and partnership with the library helped the club earn a “Certificate of Recognition for Rotary Literacy Service” presented by Rotary District 7750. The Money Smart series is part of a two-year Smart Investing @ your library© grant.

TENNESSEE

East Tennessee State University

Sue Knoche, Medical Library Assistant, Cataloging/Serials/Acquisitions at East Tennessee State University Quillen College of Medicine Library has been named ETSU Staff Woman of the Year 2013. This prestigious award represents recognition for performance on the job, but also involvement in the community through volunteerism. The service within various library associations at the state, regional and national level to potentially improve the status of librarians and library paraprofessionals in the workplace as well as additional library advocacy issues. The opportunity to travel to Washington, DC as a member of the Tennessee delegation for ALA National Library Legislative Day was also a contributing factor to emphasize the importance of libraries across the state with issues such as funding, grants, pending legislation for copyright, privacy acts and Homeland Security just to name a few that affect libraries, communities and education for all of Tennessee. A plaque with a prize award was presented by the President of ETSU at a reception that included staff from all areas of the university attending. Ms. Knoche continues to remain very active in several SELA committees.

Oak Ridge Associated Universities

Meredith P. Goins has been named Research Associate 5, Information Science at Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU). She supports the Peer Review Program in the Scientific & Technical Resource Integration Department. ORAU provides innovative scientific and technical solutions to advance research and education, protect public health and the environment and strengthen national security. Through specialized teams of experts, unique laboratory capabilities and access to a consortium of more than 100 major Ph.D.-granting institutions, ORAU works with federal, state, local and commercial customers to advance national priorities and serve the public interest.
A native of Charlotte, NC. Ms. Goins earned her BA in Communications from East Carolina University, and an MIS from the University of Tennessee. She was recently elected chair of the Tennessee Advisory Council on Libraries for the State of Tennessee where she spent the last two years serving as the special libraries representative. Meredith is active in the Tennessee Library Association.

Middle Tennessee State University

Larry Hansard, formerly of the Georgia Tech Library, has joined the Middle Tennessee State University Walker Library in Murfreesboro, TN as the new Integrated Systems Librarian in June, 2013.

Neal McClain has changed positions at the Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) Walker Library in Murfreesboro, TN April, 2013 and is currently the Head of Library Technology.

Tennessee Library Association Awards

The Tennessee Library Association (TLA) annual conference “Libraries Out of The Box” was conducted in Chattanooga April 24-26, 2013. The following honors and awards were presented:

Trustee of the Year Award: Larry Hinton -- Chairman of Sumner County Library Board and Portland Area Library Foundation, Inc., for his involvement in the building of three large libraries in Sumner County and advocating the value libraries provide for their communities.

Freedom of Information Award: James Yoakley -- When Lenoir City High School students were reprimanded for publishing sexual orientation and atheism themes in their newspaper and yearbook, he defended their rights. Refusing to resign and hoping to communicate his conviction that students had done nothing wrong, James became a steadfast advocate for his students’ rights beyond considerations of his own career or public perception.

James E. Ward Library Instruction Award: Perveen Rustomfram -- a University of Memphis Reference Librarian since 1995, became an Instructional Services Librarian in 2008. She is dedicated to strengthening the information literacy skills of all members of the University of Memphis community — incorporating new technologies and enthusiastically building a positive image of libraries.

Daniel Taylor Memorial Award: Patricia “Patty” Dalton -- Art Circle Public Library, Crossville, TN as the Children’s Librarian for over 15 years. Her work was integral in demonstrating the need for a new library facility for her community, and she works tirelessly in providing community outreach to children by visiting local schools/day care centers continually stressing the importance of reading.

Tennessee History Book Award: The Nashville Way: Racial Etiquette and the Struggle for Social Justice in a Southern City; by Benjamin Houston Benjamin Houston offers the first scholarly book on the history of civil rights in Nashville, providing new insights and critiques of this moderate progressivism for which the city has long been credited. The civil rights saga of Nashville in the decades following World War II is a complicated and bittersweet story of struggle and resistance, change and continuity, success and disappointment. Houston captures it all with a rich narrative of black and white southerners engaged in a historical drama of national and even international importance. The Nashville Way fills an enormous gap in civil rights and southern historiography.

TLA Library Support Staff Award: Anna Lane -- University of Tennessee, Chattanooga is the Assistant to the Dean at Lupton Library. She created new methods for helping personnel manage resources more efficiently, and helping to manage the budget. Her unfailingly positive and pleasant nature, calming sense of humor, with a willingness to exceed normal expectations, are only a few examples of the outstanding service she provides to the Lupton Library for personnel and patrons alike.
Friend of the Year Award: Friends of Benton County Library -- Benton County Library faced county commission-mandated budget cuts (which removed the library from state services) the Benton County Friends group stepped in as advocates. Through a public awareness campaign they helped double the membership and raise over $22,000 in only four months in this small community of 16,000 citizens. By working with state and local officials, using social media, contacting news outlets, mobilizing local residents, the Friends group led the campaign to reverse the situation locally and help prevent it from occurring at other libraries statewide.

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