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*People, Libraries
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DLG launches Atlanta newspaper archive

The Digital Library of Georgia (DLG) has announced the availability of a new online resource, The Atlanta Historic Newspapers Archive, at <http://dlg.galileo.usg.edu/atlnewspapers>.

The Atlanta Historic Newspapers Archive provides online access to 14 newspaper titles published in Atlanta from 1847 to 1922. Consisting of more than 67,000 newspaper pages, the archive provides historical images that are both full-text searchable and can be browsed by date. The site will provide users with a record of Atlanta's history from its origins as an railroad terminus, through the devastation of the Civil War, to its eventual growth into one of the nation's largest cities.

The archive includes the following Atlanta newspaper titles: *Atlanta Daily Examiner* (1857), *Atlanta Daily Herald* (1873-1876), *Atlanta Georgian* (1906-1911), *Atlanta Intelligencer* (1851, 1854-1871), *Atlantian* (1911-1922), *Daily/Georgia Weekly Opinion* (1867-1868), *Gate-City Guardian* (1861), *Georgia Literary and Temperance Crusader* (1860-1861), *New Era* (1869-1872), *Southern Confederacy* (1861-1864), *Southern Miscellany*, and *Upper Georgia Whig* (1847), *Southern World* (1882-1885), *Sunny South* (1875-1907) and *Weekly Constitution* (1869-1882).

The Atlanta Historic Newspapers Archive is a project of the DLG as part of the Georgia HomePLACE initiative. The project is supported with federal LSTA funds administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through Georgia Public Library Service. ►►

Brooks honored for humanitarian efforts

Mary Ellen Brooks, director emerita of the University of Georgia's Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library, received a Governor's Award in the Humanities May 11.

Citing her "indefatigable energy," "amazing degree of knowledge about the history of Georgia and its authors" and calling her "one of our state's unacknowledged leaders in the humanities," Brooks was nominated for the award by Betty Jean Craige, director of the UGA Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, and Nicole Mitchell, director of the University of Georgia Press.

"Without great libraries, researchers cannot be great scholars," Craige said, "and Mary Ellen made Georgia's Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library into a rich repository of rare books, photographs, documents, drawings, letters, papers and manuscripts for all scholars of Georgia's history to use now and in the time to come."



Brooks

Brooks served the last 15 years of her career as director of the Hargrett Library, during which time she acquired 532 manuscript collections and built the library's collection of fine printing and small press books and other works related to the book arts, making it the fifth largest in the country. Brooks supervised the digitization of historical maps of Georgia and the Southeast, among the first projects of its kind in the nation. ►►

Macon to host catalogers conference

Macon will be hosting the 2010 OnLine Audiovisual Catalogers (OLAC) conference this fall at the new Macon Marriott City Center. The pre-conference, Name Authority Cooperative Program (NACO) funnel training, will be held Oct. 14; it will be hosted by David Prochazka. The conference proper will be held from Oct. 15-17. Registration for the pre-conference is \$125; for the main conference, it is \$150 (\$100 for MLS students). Registration forms and other information are available at <http://www.olacinc.org/drupal/conference/2010/index.html>. ►►