LOUIS Users Conference (LUC)

The LOUIS Users Conference was held at Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge on October 18 and 19, 2004. Topics of the concurrent sessions included digitization, federated searching, thin-client networks, OpenURL, and handheld scanners. Other presentations dealt with WorkFlows, iLink, IL-Liad, Web2, EZproxy, electronic resources, and reports.

ACRL/LA

The Louisiana chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL-LA) will meet for a business meeting on January 7, 2005, at Edith Garland Dupré on the campus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Don Smith, the current president of ACRL-LA, has also agreed to cosponsor a workshop with LALINC after the meeting. A statewide Information Literacy workshop, Information Literacy: Time for a Comprehensive Plan, will be facilitated by Mary MacDonald and Joanna Burkhardt from the University of Rhode Island. The workshop will have a limit of 60 participants. More details coming soon.

Academic Programs for 2005 LLA Conference

Jeremy Landry, our Vice Chair/Elect, has compiled an impressing list of programs for the LLA annual conference in Alexandria on April 26-28, 2005. Here are some of the titles of the presentations:

1. “Much Ado about Serials.”
2. Empower Your Library with Federated Searching.”
3. “Educating for the Future: Copyright and Intellectual Property in the Distance Education Environment.”
4. “Semester at Sea: An Incredible Opportunity for...” (Continued on page 7)

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Outstanding Academic Librarian Award

The Outstanding Academic Librarian Award Committee seeks nominations for the Outstanding Academic Librarian. This award publicly recognizes "an individual who has made an especially significant contribution to further the development of academic libraries/librarianship within Louisiana."

The nominee must be an academic librarian currently active in his or her profession in Louisiana. On rare occasions a non-librarian who has made exceptional contributions to academic librarianship in Louisiana may be considered. Contributions must be of value to libraries or librarians as a whole, not to individual persons or institutions. Contributions, such as creating a "model library" on a particular campus, must be profound enough to be of wide interest and easily accessible for other libraries to benefit from their creation. Nominations must be made by a current member of LLA.

The nominee should be characterized by one or more of the following:
1. Actively participates in professional activities which enrich the ability of academic librarians to enhance library usage.
2. Conducts research and shares this research with other Louisiana academic librarians (either through publication or through public presentations) which enriches the ability of library users to more fully utilize current information resources and technologies.
3. Serves as a model for other librarians or potential librarians who can help further the impact of Louisiana academic libraries on the education and/or livelihood of Louisiana's students and residents.

Nominations, in the form of a letter, must be submitted to Beate Kukainis, UL Lafayette, 302 E St Mary Blvd, Lafayette, LA 70503

Letters of nomination should include:
1. The full name, work address, telephone number, and e-mail address (if available) of the nominee.
2. An outline of the nominee's contributions to academic librarianship.
3. List of all special accomplishments credited to the nominee.

Nomination deadline is December 1, 2004

Thorpe Grassroots Grant Award

The purpose of this award is to encourage library science students to attend state library conferences and to recognize outstanding graduates or undergraduate library science students. The prerequisites are: Must be a full-time or part-time graduate or undergraduate student majoring or minoring in library science and attending a Louisiana college or university. Can be a full-time or part-time student enrolled in a library tech program (two year) at an accredited two-year or four-year college. Individual must be a student at the time of application, but not necessarily at the time of conference. Must be a current member of LLA.

The nominees will be judged from the information given on the application form and from the accompanying letters of recommendation. Selection will be based on the nominee's professional promise and demonstrated leadership ability. The winner of this award will receive an engraved plaque and a $250.00 check from Thorpe Associates for expenses incurred in attending the LLA conference and a ribbon to be worn at the conference.

Nominations should be made by December 1, 2004 to:
Dr. Beth Paskoff, Chair, Academic Section-Thorpe Grassroots Grant, School of Library and Information Science, Louisiana State University, Room 267, Coates Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3920.

LLA News

The selection committee for the ANTHONY H. BENOIT AWARD given by the Louisiana Library Association seeks nominations for this award given to recognize a Louisiana librarian in mid-career for outstanding contributions to the field of librarianship.

Award criteria:
1. Nominees must possess an M.L.S. degree, or equivalent degree, or hold library certification.
2. Nominees must have a minimum of ten, but not more than twenty, years of professional library experience.
3. Nominees must be a current member of LLA who has been active in the association.
4. Nominations must come from a member of the Louisiana Library Association, although letters of endorsement may be submitted by either members or non-members.

A complete nomination packet including official letter of nomination, at least three additional letters of support for the nominee, and a copy of the nominee’s up-to-date resume should be sent to the committee chair at the following address:

All nomination packets must be postmarked by December 1, 2004. E-mail nominations or letters of support are not acceptable.
Karen Dennison is the new science reference librarian (Engineering), Mitch Fontenot and Alice Daugherty are new reference/information literacy librarians, Jessica Patterson is the new patents & business librarian, and Frank Hardie is the new editor of the Civil War Book Review published by the US Civil War Center at LSU.

Mark Sanders and Mark Martin have published an article entitled "Newspaper Access in the Academic Library" in the Summer 2004 issue of Louisiana Libraries.

On Thursday, Sept. 23, Mark Sanders and Alice Daugherty appeared on the "Morning Show" on WAFB-TV during the "Expert Advice" portion of the show. They spoke with Diane Deaton about Banned Books Week and the Banned Book display that they created with Peggy Chalaron, education librarian, in the LSU Libraries Education Resources Center.

Nancy Colyar has been reappointed to the LA-LINC Research & Development Committee for 2004-2006. She continues as Chair of the committee. She has also been appointed to the following committees: ALA Literacy Assembly (LITA representative) for 2004-2005, LITA Publications Committee for 2004-2006 and will now also serve as Chair, LITA Web Coordinating Committee for 2004-2006, and LITA Web Policy Task Force for 2004-2005.

Barbara Wittkopf was appointed to the LSU 2004-2005 Summer Reading Program Steering Committee and Chair of the Book Selection Committee. She was also appointed to the LSU Communication Across the Curriculum Advisory Council and Technology Subcommittee. Barbara was elected to the LSU Faculty Senate.

Lois Kuyper-Rushing was elected as an alternate to the LSU Faculty Senate.

At the same ALA conference, Tate was appointed to the Diversity Council, a subcommittee of the ALA Committee on Diversity. The Council brings the traditionally underrepresented groups together for mutual support, and develops strategic actions, including conducting programs, workshops and special projects, on leadership training and development for traditionally underrepresented groups.

Earlier in June, as a member of the Scholarship Committee of the Louisiana Library Association, Tate interviewed and juried the applicants.

Debra C. Rollins, assistant librarian, has completed two seminars offered by the American College and

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Rollins has been appointed to the American Library Association High School to College Transition Committee of the Library Instruction Roundtable (LIRT) and to the LALINC (Louisiana Library Information Network Consortium) Information Literacy committee. As part of this committee and in collaboration with librarian Boris Teske, Louisiana Tech, she helped prepare a state-wide resource for the use of Louisiana’s academic librarians intended to assist efforts at individual campuses to address the BOR General Education Information Literacy requirement.

Rollins will chair the registration efforts for the Louisiana Library Association’s 2005 conference and will continue as chair of the Anthony H. Benoit Mid-Career Award selection committee for a second term.

Loyola University

The J. Edgar and Louise S. Monroe Library was recently awarded the H.W. Wilson Library Staff Development Award. This $3500 award will support a three-part development workshop focusing on time management, conflict resolution, and giving and receiving feedback. Loyola’s Dean of Libraries, Mary Lee Sweat, accepted the award at the American Library Association annual conference in Orlando.

Ashley Pillow recently joined the library as the outreach librarian. Pillow received her MS in Information Science at the University of Tennessee Knoxville and also has her MA in Religion from Vanderbilt University.

Edward Iglesias, Technical Services librarian, has been elected LA/ACRL Vice-President/President Elect for a two-year term.

Southeastern Louisiana University

Dayne Sherman has been awarded a 2004-2005 Individual Artist Mini-Grant for Literature by the Louisiana Division of the Arts. This grant will help fund a New York book tour in April 2005. He has been invited to speak to librarians at the Brooklyn Public Library on April 14, 2005. His first novel, Welcome to the Fallen Paradise, will be released on October 15, 2004 (San Francisco: MacAdam/Cage). He has previously had a number of short stories published in various literary magazines, and his story "Hard to Remember, Hard to Forget," already published in chapbook form, has been included in the new anthology Stories from the Blue Moon Cafe III, edited by Sonny Borey (MacAdam/Cage). Sherman has been in-

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vited to speak at the 2005 Montevallo Literary Festival at the University of Montevallo, Alabama.

Angela Dunnington and Mary Frances Marx presented "Taking Control of the Electronic College Classroom: Using Classroom Control Software to Enhance Teaching and Learning" at the Northshore Excellence in Teaching with Technology (NETT) Conference in July.

JB Hill and Cherie Madarash-Hill presented a poster session, "Aggregated SAS Literature: An Examination of the Role of Aggregators in the Distribution of Regional Scientific Research" at the American Library Association Annual Conference in Orlando. At the same conference, Rodney Jackman co-presented a poster session on "Louisiana Libraries and the USA PATRIOT Act."

A paper by JB Hill and Eric Johnson entitled "Ethical Issues in Digital Reference" has been published in Information Ethics in the Electronic Age, edited by Tom Mendina and Johannes J. Britz (McFarland).

Lori Smith and Karen Jung have been promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Sherry T. Broussard, Special Projects librarian, recently served as a panel member for a program sponsored by the LLA Minority Recruitment & Professional Concerns Interest Group. The theme for the forum was Empowering Myself For Success. This summer Sherry completed a Master of Arts Degree in Reading and Storytelling from East Tennessee State University.

Sheryl Curry, head of Internet Access Services, has been named recipient of the Drs. Gloria S. and Robert W. Cline BORSF Professorship for the next three years.


Sandy Himel, Government Documents librarian, has been promoted to the rank of associate professor.

Denise Goetting, Head of Cataloging, and Betsy Miguez, General Reference librarian, presented a talk entitled "From Cinderella to Ella Enchanted: Changing Perspectives of Women in Children’s Literature" for the Women’s Studies Brown Bag Lunch Series at UL Lafayette.

Betsy Miguez has been appointed to the Editorial Board of Louisiana Libraries.

Susan Richard, Head of Reference, has been promoted to the rank of associate professor. Susan is serving as chair of the Nominating Committee for Louisiana Library Association’s 2005 officers.

Denise Goetting’s article entitled "Attitudes and Job Satisfaction in Louisiana Workplaces" and Susan Richard’s review of the book From Small Bits of Charcoal: The Life & Works of a Cajun Artist, by Floyd Sonnier, were published in the most recent issue of Louisiana Libraries (Summer 2004). Sherry Curry continues to edit the Reviews column.
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University of New Orleans

Steve Alleman, Collection Management librarian, was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect of the Collection Development Section (CODES) of the RUSA division of ALA.

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Global Education and Enrichment.”

5. “Educating and Empowering Students to Become Life-long Library Users.”

6. “Library Signage: Useful Tools or Visual Pollution.”

7. “Virtual Reference Service: Challenge and Opportunities.”

8. “Digital Reference @Your Library: Yes, It Is Possible.”

Academic Section News (cont.)

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UL Monroe

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