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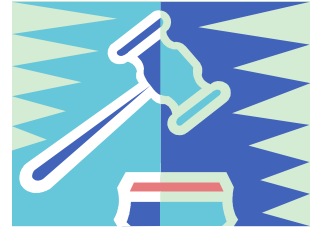
Chair's Column by Denise Goetting

Well, I think everyone will agree that the LLA Conference in Alexandria was a big success. The Academic Section provided its fair share of programs by sponsoring or co-sponsoring nine presentations which covered subjects from digital reference to library signage, from serials management to distance education. Thanks again to all the presenters. Often overlooked when thanks are sent out are the coordinators of some of the programs. So a late—but heartfelt—thank you goes out to the following for organizing some of the programs that we enjoyed: Sherry T. Broussard, Kristi Lobrano, and Ed Rock.

The Academic Business meeting at conference was very well attended. New officers for the 2005/2006 year were

announced: Chair Jeremy Landry of Nicholls State University, Vice Chair/Chair Elect Jud Copeland of LSU-E, and Secretary Ashley Bonnette of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. A cataloging workshop was suggested for programming next year; there was a discussion of a possible coordination with the Technical Services Interest Group. After the business meeting, the Executive Board of the section met to discuss updating the LLA Manual's description of the Outstanding Academic Librarian Award and the Grassroots Grant.

Accolades go out to Sara Zimmerman of LOUIS who received the Outstanding Academic Librarian Award and to Chaundra Carrocio of LSU-SLIS who accepted the Grassroots Grant to attend LLA this year. Also,



thanks to Melinda Matthews of the University of Louisiana at Monroe for serving as Secretary of the Academic Section for 2004/2005.

It's not too early to start thinking of programs for next year's conference in Lafayette on March 28-30. Under the able leadership of Jeremy Landry, we can look forward to another great slate of programming. Send your ideas and proposals for programs to Vice Chair Jud Copeland. Jeremy and Jud will collaborate with possible speakers to avoid duplication of programming topics. Watch for a call for proposals to be sent out on the LLA Listserv in August.

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Library News

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Jennifer Ryan has been hired as the Life Sciences Librarian. She recently graduated from the University of South Carolina Library School.

William Armstrong has published "Communication in the Sciences as Seen Through Physics and Chemistry: A Look at the Complex Relationship Between Author, Publisher, and Distributor as They Relate to the Reader" in *College and Research Libraries*, v.66, no.2, 98-114, March 2005.

Anna Ferris and **William Armstrong** have published "The Evolution of a Documents Digitization Project within the American Library Association's New Members Round Table" in *LIBRES*, v.15, no.1, March 2005, <http://libres.curtin.edu.au/>.

Sigrid Kelsey has published articles on "Edgar Lee Masters" and "Lyric Poetry" in *The Facts on File Companion to Twentieth-Century American Poetry* edited by Burt Kimmelman, Facts on File, 2005. Also, Sigrid has been appointed interim chair and member

of the newly formed LSU Faculty Senate Information Technology and Services Committee and she has been appointed chair of the Reference Technology Committee at LSU Libraries.



Sigrid Kelsey, Paul Hrycaj, and **Becky Hebert** were speakers at a Job Hunting and Resume Workshop sponsored by the Graduate Library & Information Science Student Association (GLISSA).

Kelly Blessinger and **Maureen Olle** have published "Content Analysis of the Leading General Academic Databases" in *Library Collections Acquisitions and Technical Services*, v.28 no.3, 335-346 (2004).

Kelly Blessinger has been

appointed Chair of the Reference Grants Committee at LSU Libraries and Membership Chair of the Louisiana/Southern Mississippi Chapter of SLA.

Tom Diamond's *Library User Surveys, June 2004* (SPEC Kit 280) has been published by the Association of Research Libraries, Office of Leadership and Management Services. Also, Tom has been elected Member-at-Large of the ALA/Public Relations and Marketing Section to a 2 year term.

Linda Smith Griffin has been appointed to the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Education Committee for 2006-2008 and the Council of Regional Groups (CRG) Continuing Education Committee, Intern, 2005-2006.

Maureen Olle has been elected to the Faculty Senate Commencement Committee and she has been elected Secretary of the Louisiana Federal Depository Library Council. Maureen was appointed to ALA GODORT's Publications Committee.

LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

Fred Hamilton retired in February 2005, after twenty-four years of service. Hamilton held various positions including: Head, Bibliographic Management; Head, Cataloging Department; Interlibrary Loan Librarian; and Assistant Acquisitions Librarian. He has been active in the Louisiana Library Association, the Louisiana Chapter of ACRL, and NASIG.

Robert Bremer has assumed the position of Head, Access Services. He comes to the library with an MLIS from the University of Alabama. Bremer also holds a BA from Carleton College and a JD from the University of Michigan School of Law.

Anne Hasiuk has assumed the position of Head, Bibliographic Management Department. Hasiuk was previously employed with Columbus State University in Georgia. She has a BA in Slavic Languages from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an MLS from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Library News

TULANE UNIVERSITY

Anne Houston and **Kathrine Montgomery** from Howard-Tilton Memorial Library presented a poster session at the ACRL 12th National Conference in Minneapolis, titled "Connecting with New Students Using Streaming Media."

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

Ashley Bonnette, BI/Distance Learning Librarian, co-authored a successful STEP (Student Technology Enhancement Program) grant with a faculty member from the Visual Arts Department to provide initial funding for a subscription to ARTStor, a database of art images and associated data for noncommercial and scholarly, non-profit educational use.

Ashley Bonnette has given permission to the HBCU (Historically Black Colleges and Universities) Library Alliance to reprint her article, "Mentoring Minority Librarians Up the Career Ladder," published in the Summer 2004 issue of *Library Administration & Management*. The consortium plans to use the article for training in its implementation of a Mellon Foundation Grant.

In February, **Sherry T. Broussard**, Special Projects Librarian, coordinated the annual Great African-American Read-In program sponsored

by Lafayette Public and Bayouland Storytellers Guild of Southwest Louisiana. She also organized the annual Black History Month display and program at Dupré Library, developing the theme "African-American Trailblazers: From Trials to Triumphs."

Sherry T. Broussard and **Bruce Turner**, Head of Archives and Special Collections, are coordinating a program entitled "Presenting and Preserving the Memories of Veterans." Panel discussions featuring veterans are designed to present a living military oral history that is intergenerational. Videotapes of the sessions will be archived at Dupré Library, at participating public libraries, and at the Library of Congress as part of the Veterans History Project.

Lance Chance, Library Systems Coordinator, received a \$229,000 grant to upgrade and expand the STEP Lab to provide 120 computers. The STEP Lab provides Internet access and common application software

to support the instruction and research needs of students and other patrons.

Danny Gillane has joined the faculty as Development and Gifts Librarian. Danny received an MLIS and a CLIS from LSU School of Library and Information Science. Danny has worked as a reference librarian for the Jefferson Parish Library, as a library consultant for the State Library of Louisiana, and as a research librarian for the NBII project at the USGS National Wetlands Research Center.

Jean Kiesel, Louisiana Room Librarian and Editor of the Bayou State Periodical Index, participated in a panel presentation organized by **Denise Goetting**, Head of Cataloging, entitled "From the Alamo to Zydeco Music: Create a Periodical Index for Your State/Region—Tips from the Experts" for the American Society of Indexers at their annual conference in Pasadena, CA. At the same con-

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ference, Denise spoke about her experiences as co-author of *Newbery and Caldecott Awards: A Subject Index*.

Susan Richard, Head of Reference, has been named recipient of the Friends of the Library BORSF Professorship for the next three years.

Several librarians participated in the 2005 LLA Conference. **Ashley Bonnette** presented "Semester at Sea: An Incredible Opportunity for Global Education and Enrichment" for the Academic Section. **Sherry T. Brou-**

sard planned and moderated "Much Ado About Serials" for the Academic Section/Serials Interest Group and performed as a storyteller at "Performing Artists Showcase" for the Public Section/Storyteller's Interest Group. **Sherry Curry**, Head of Internet Ac-

cess Services, and **Jean Kiesel** presented "Library Signage: Useful Tools or Visual Pollution" for the Academic/Public/Subject Specialists sections. **Judith Haydel**, General Reference Librarian, presented "Seek and Ye Shall Find: Maybe or Maybe Not: The Louisiana State Library in the 19th Century" for GODORT.

New LLA officers include Ashley Bonnette, Academic Section Secretary, Judith Haydel, GODORT Secretary, and Betsy Miguez, LLA Secretary.



UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS

Florence Jumonville, Chair, Louisiana and Special Collections Department, is this year's recipient of the Louisiana Library Association's Essae M. Culver Distinguished Service Award. This honor is presented to those "whose professional service and achievements, whose leadership in Louisiana association work, and whose lifetime accomplishments in a field of librarianship within the state merit recognition of particular value to Louisiana librarianship." The award is named in memory of Essae Culver, Louisiana's first State Librarian, who is also the subject of Florence's ongoing research and her most recent article in *Library Trends* (Spring 2004).

Through an outsourcing project, contracted to Library Associates, the library has completed updating all the serials holdings information in our online catalog. The serial titles now give detailed information of what years and volumes we have in the library and available to the patrons in print, microforms and online. The company, though based in California, hired local candidates to do the conversion on-site and completed the project within twelve months. With this, all serials record-keeping has gone completely online

Section News

Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference Academic Section Business Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 27, 2005, 11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Denise Goetting, chair, welcomed members and discussed the presentations sponsored by the Academic Section.

Wednesday

- Jill Emery, University of Houston, presented "Much Ado about Serials."
- Ashley Bonnette, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, presented "Semester at Sea: An Incredible Opportunity for Global Education and Enrichment."
- Alexia Sheck and Beth Stahr, Southeastern Louisiana University presented "Virtual Reference Service: Challenge and Opportunities."
- Lisa Muilenburg, Nunez Community College, presented "Educating and Empowering Students to Become Life Long Library Users."

Thursday

- "Digital Reference @Your Library: Yes, It Is Possible" presented by Joe Thompson, Maryland AskUsNow! Service and Vince Mariner, Ask a Librarian Service.
- "Seek and Ye Should Find: Maybe or Maybe Not: The Louisiana State Library in the 19th Century," a history of the State Library from 1844 to 1900 presented by Judith Haydel, University of Louisiana at Lafayette.
- "Educating for the Future: Copyright and Intellectual Property in the Distance Education Environment," presented by Jud Copeland, LSUE.
- "Empower Your Library with Federated Searching" presented by Eric Johnson, Southeastern Louisiana University and Riley Bordelon, the State Library of Louisiana.
- "Library Signage: Useful Tools or Visual Pollution," presented by Sheryl Curry and Jean Kiesel, University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Denise introduced the officers for next year: Jud Copeland of LSU Eunice was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Ashley Bonnette of University of Louisiana at Lafayette was elected secretary. Jeremy Landry will chair the Academic Section beginning in July. Jud Copeland, vice-chair elect, said to look for more things in technical services at a breakfast for next year's conference. The next conference will be in Lafayette March 28th-March 30th 2006. Jeremy Landry will be the next chair. Ashley Bonnette will be the next academic section secretary.

It was discussed that the outstanding academic librarian award winner not be a surprise. Sara Zimmerman of LOUIS is the 2005 outstanding academic librarian. Chaundra Carroccio is the Grassroots Grant \$250 award student. The current Academic Section officers plan to discuss changes to the LLA manual description of the Grassroots Award and Outstanding Academic Librarian Award following the meeting with Jud Copeland and Jeremy Landry. Changes to the LLA manual 2005-2006 do not have to go through the executive board of LLA.

Jud Copeland wants the section to co-sponsor a cataloging workshop with the technical services interest group next year. Technical services group Bobby Ferguson gave a pre-conference workshop on processing and cataloging.

Send proposals for next conference's programs in summer or August to Jud and Jeremy. If two different people come up with the same program idea Jud or Jeremy should get them together to work on the same conference program. The more together the section of libraries are the better the conference is.

Submitted by,
Melinda Matthews, Secretary



ALA News

Poster Session

At the upcoming ALA Annual Conference in Chicago, several librarians from Tulane's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library will be presenting, "Moving to an Off-Site Storage Facility: An Effective Communication Strategy Before, During, and After the Move," during Poster Session VI: Monday, June 27, 2005, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., Table Number 2.

The poster session, which will move through the steps of an effective communication plan during the planning, moving, and post-move stages, will be presented by members of the library task force that planned and executed a move of approximately 325,000 items to an off-site facility during summer 2003. Presenters will be Cecilia D. Stafford, Donna Capelle Cook, Andrew Corrigan, Felice Maciejewski, and Andrew Damico (now at Rice University). Task force members who are unable to attend the conference, but were involved in the move and preparation of the poster session are Eleanor Elder, Shane Robichaux, and Jeannette Thompson.