Greetings! I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the 2009 LLA Conference in Baton Rouge, March 12-14. Besides co-sponsoring the “Can u wiki, flickr and blog? An Introduction to Social Networking Tools for Your Library,” the Academic Section has added its support to the “green” pre-conference, “Building to Sustain and Maintain.” Both will be held on Thursday. “Building to Sustain . . .” is an all-day workshop, and “Can u wiki . . .” will take place that afternoon. Details are in the conference program.

Tying into the conference theme “Together WE Make a Difference,” our section is sponsoring or co-sponsoring fifteen programs on the following general topics:

- disaster preparation and response
- information literacy and outreach
- the future of cataloging
- systems administration
- nursing resources
- personnel management
- publication opportunities
- digital reference initiatives
- presentation studios
- Web 1.0
- the Cajun and Creole Music Collection.

Thanks to all of you who volunteered to present. Sharing your knowledge of academic librarianship inspires us all to offer the best services possible to our students and faculty.

The Academic Section Business Meeting on Saturday afternoon will be a good time to meet the section’s new officers, recap the year, and look toward the future of our section. The LLA Business Meeting will follow our meeting.

ACRL-LA will join us in hosting the second annual Meet & Greet. Be sure to sign up for the $5 tickets when you register for conference. The LLA Academic Section will honor David Duggar as the Outstanding Academic Librarian, and ACRL-LA will announce the recipient of its first Librarian/Scholar Award. This event is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, between the LLA Business Meeting and the Book Dinner that night.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you soon at the LLA Conference in Baton Rouge. Thanks once again to section officers Rob Bremer and Kathy Bowersox for their support.

Betsy Miguez
LLA Academic Section Chair
Academic Section News

Outstanding Academic Librarian Award

by Paul Drake, McNeese State University, Chair

David Duggar, Reference Librarian/Associate Professor at the LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport, is this year’s recipient of the Louisiana Library Association’s Outstanding Academic Librarian Award.

For almost twenty years David has made a significant contribution to academic librarianship and shows no sign of slowing down in his promotion of academic librarians. David actively participates in professional activities since 1991. He has been active in the Louisiana Library Association, serving in numerous positions including LLA President in 2000/2001 and local arrangements for the 2008 Annual Conference in Shreveport. He has made numerous contributions to the Health Sciences Library Association of Louisiana, South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association, and the Louisiana/Southern Mississippi Chapter of the Special Libraries Association. The Medical Library Association/Hospital Libraries Section has recognized David on several occasions for his outstanding contributions and service.

David has contributed to the profession through research and published articles. He routinely shares his knowledge in Louisiana Libraries and has published in professional journals including the Journal of the Medical Library Association and the Journal of Hospital Librarianship.

As one of his nominators states, “If you want something done well, then David Duggar is the person to turn to for assistance.”

LLA News

The LLA Executive Committee has hired P&N Association Management of Baton Rouge to handle LLA business. Bland O'Connor is now the official Executive Director of LLA. Ashley Politz is the primary contact for LLA at P&N. Shirley Vigé will continue as the Association’s accountant. New contact information for the Association is listed on the LLA website at http://www.liaonline.org/aboutlla/contactus.php.
Library news from around the state

Louisiana State University

Hillary Veeder joined the LSU Libraries Reference Department as Art & Design/Information Literacy librarian.


Sigrid Kelsey published six short articles in the online 18th Century Online Encyclopedia: Enlightenment and Revolution, found at http://www.enlightenment-revolution.org/index.php/Main_Page


Linda Smith Griffin was appointed to the editorial board of Serials Review, 2009-2011.

Elaine Smyth was appointed chair of the Budget and Development Committee of the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association.

Beginning March 23, Hill Memorial Library will feature an exhibition about the history of Standard Oil in Baton Rouge, marking the hundredth anniversary of its incorporation in East Baton Rouge Parish in 1909. A second exhibition will focus on maps in Special Collections, ranging from a facsimile of an early Roman road map to maps used in art and maps of imaginary places. The current exhibitions, “Audubon at Oakley: Louisiana Selections from Birds of America” and “The Pathway of Promise: 1500 Years of Religious Texts and Moral Guidebooks,” run through Saturday, February 28, 2009.

The Coypu Foundation has made a charitable donation of $99,000 to support treatment and restoration of the LSU Libraries’ copy of the elephant folio edition of John James Audubon’s Birds of America (London, 1827-1838). The work will be carried out over a period of approximately 20 months byEtherington Conservation Services (ECS), located in Browns Summit, North Carolina. Don Etherington, founder and president of ECS, is internationally recognized as a highly skilled conservator. He has worked on the restoration of both the Magna Carta and the Declaration of Independence. He has more than 45 years of professional experience, which began with a formal seven-year apprenticeship in England. He is a Fellow of the American Institute for Conservation, the International Institute for Conservation, and the Institute of Paper Conservation in England. The Coypu Foundation was founded by the late John S. McIlhenny, who donated the E.A. McIlhenny Natural History Collection to the Libraries in 1974, and carries on his philanthropic activities.

The Special Collections blog has many entries featuring new acquisitions, and an RSS feed to keep you up to date. Check it out at http://bill.blogs.lib.lsu.edu/.
Library news from around the state

Louisiana State University at Alexandria

Michelle Riggs, archivist, was awarded certification by the Academy of Certified Archivists on November 1, 2008. Riggs coordinated an exhibit of selected nineteenth-century documents belonging to Thomas Courtland Manning, the prominent jurist and statesman who lived in Rapides Parish. The Manning-Compton Collection from which exhibit items were selected was donated to the university by Richard L. Johnson, Jr. and the late Muriel V. Johnson. The Archives and Special Collections section has added this collection to its Central Louisiana Collections.

Riggs has also received a $6000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The grant will allow the University, through Ms. Riggs leadership and that of the library staff, to develop a “Disaster Preparedness Plan for the Library and Archives at Louisiana State University at Alexandria.”

Debra Rollins has been promoted to Associate Librarian at LSUA. She has been appointed to the ACRL CLIP Notes committee and also serves on the ACRL Professional Development Coordinating Committee to review and make recommendations on programs for national conferences. Rollins served as grant reader for the 2008 Improving Literacy Through School Libraries Grant Opportunity for the U. S. Department of Education.

Bonnie Hines, Rusty Gaspard and Nancy Radonovich, along with Debra Rollins and Michelle Riggs, presented Cowboys, Serial Killers, and Angels of Mercy: Recent Resources for Multidisciplinary Research Questions at the LLA annual conference in March, 2008.

Jules Tate was appointed to the Library Interiors, Furnishings & Equipment Committee 2008-2010 of the Buildings and Equipment Section of ALA’s Library Leadership and Management Association.

McNeese State University

Breanna Weston is the new instruction librarian
Library news from around the state

Tulane University

Curator of the Hogan Jazz Archive, Bruce Boyd Raeburn, published a new book entitled *New Orleans Style and the Writing of American Jazz History*, and will be published by the University of Michigan Press in March 2009.

Neville Prendergast is the new Director of the Rudolph Matas Library of the Health Sciences. Since 2001, Mr. Prendergast has been Associate Director for Health Information Resources at the Becker Medical Library at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. Prior to that, he served in increasingly responsible library positions at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa and in the Health Sciences Library and the School of Pharmacy Library at the State University of New York at Buffalo. He began his professional career as a chemist and science teacher in Jamaica. In 1974 he received his B.S. (Honors) in Biochemistry from the University of the West Indies, Jamaica, where he also received his postgraduate degree in library science. In 1988 he earned his M.L.S. from SUNY Buffalo.

He has been a fellow in the Association of Research Libraries Leadership Medical Informatics, and Career Development Program and the National Library of Medicine (NLM)/Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA. Since 2007 he has been a fellow in the NLM/Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries Leadership Institute. Prendergast has a long and distinguished record of professional publications, awards, and grants in the field of health science librarianship.

In December 2008, Lester Sullivan, University Archivist and Head of Special Collections, Xavier University, and Leon Miller, Manuscripts Librarian, Tulane University Libraries, received the “Archivists/Citizen” award from the Greater New Orleans Archivists “in recognition of service in an especially hard time.” Miller and Sullivan were president and secretary, respectively, of GNOA from 2006 to 2008. Sullivan will remain as secretary for another two-year term; the incoming GNOA president will be Christopher Harter, Director of Library and Reference Services, Amistad Research Center.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

The Friends of Dupré Library Book Sale, held in November, raised over $2260. The sale was organized by Technical Services Special Projects Librarian Andrea Flockton, with promotional assistance from Development, Grants and External Relations Librarian Kay Harper.

An exhibit in the main hall of Dupré Library is part of a campus-wide celebration of Black History Month. Andrea Flockton and Bruce Turner, Head of Special Collections, mounted the display using materials owned by the library.

Bruce Turner also created an exhibit in the stairwell display area. Entitled “Four Acadiana Women,” it focuses on educator and college administrator Mary E. Diehmahn; university faculty member and library founder Edith Garland Dupré; journalist and author/illustrator Mary Alice Fontenot; and business woman and community activist Ollie Tucker Osborne.
## Schedule of Academic Section Programs and Selected Events

### Thursday, March 12, 2009

#### Pre-Conference Programs:

**Building to Sustain and Maintain**  
Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Sponsors: Public Section and Academic Section, Library Managers Group  
The program will give an overview of the LEED certification program. The presenter will review green features necessary when building and remodeling including construction and design ideas for both interior and exterior. The program will also show you how to sustain your green building.  
*Track: Facilities.*  
**“Ticketed event- by pre-registration only.”**

**Can u wiki, flickr and blog? An Introduction to Social Networking Tools for Your Library**  
Thursday, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Sponsors: LaSSAL Section, Library Managers Group, Academic Section  
Everyone is talking about social networking tools like Facebook, wikis, Flickr and YouTube. Come “check out” what all the buzz is about! This hands-on workshop will introduce a variety of popular collaborative technologies and explore practical ways to use these exciting tools in the library to facilitate communication. This workshop will be held at McKinley Middle Magnet School, 1550 Eddie Robinson Sr. Drive. Visit www.mckinleymiddle.ebrschools.org for a link to driving directions.  
*Track: Technology.*  
**“Ticketed event- by pre-registration only.”**

**Registration and Check-in**  
Thursday, 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**LLA Executive Board Meeting**  
Thursday, 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

### Friday, March 13, 2009

**Registration and Check-In**  
- 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm

**Breakfast:**  
Sponsored by ABDO, Child’s World and Herbie Thorpe  
8:00 am – 9:00 outside the Exhibit Hall.  
Start your conference with a “Walkin’ to Nawlings Breakfast” with hot Beignets and Café au Lait.

**Exhibit Hall Open**  
Friday, 7:45 am – 5:00 pm  
Join us as we officially open the Exhibit Hall with a ribbon cutting ceremony and sponsor recognition.

**Swap ‘N Shop**  
Display of PR material from libraries around the country will be available.

**General Session**  
9:00 am – 10:00 am  
Invited guest: Keith Michael Fiels, Executive Director of the American Library Association

**Disaster Planning and Management for Recovery of Libraries**  
Friday, 10:30 am – 11:20 am  
Sponsor: Academic Section  
Steve Brien, CEO of EnviroCare, will present a 30 minute program on preparing for emergency situations, what to actually expect during a disaster, and recovery following the event. Q & A will follow.  
*Track: Facilities.*

**“Hello Nurse”: Pulling Our Nursing Programs Together**  
Friday, 10:30 am – 11:20 pm  
Sponsors: Academic Section, Library Users Education Interest Group, Subject Specialists Section  
Does your academic or medical library support an academic nursing program? Come meet other librarians across the state to share knowledge, ideas, resources, and hints for supporting nursing students and faculty. Find out what others are doing. This roundtable gathering is a perfect opportunity to network and learn about programs that work, research grants that have been successful, and lay the ground work for future collaborative efforts.  
*Track: Adult/ User Services.*

**The Gap Has Been Bridged: Making a Difference in the Relationship Between Systems and Services**  
Friday, 11:30 am -12:20 am  
Sponsor: Academic Section, LaSSAL Section  
As academic librarians have become more technologically adept and supported by campus-wide systems, the need for an academic systems librarian possessing an MLIS has become restrictive and nonessential. As a response, some libraries have hired a systems coordinator with a computer science background. This program will illustrate how we and other libraries have successfully put this theory in place.  
*Tracks: Administration/ Leadership, Technology, Staffing.*

**Theme Issue Development for Louisiana Libraries**  
Friday, 12:30 pm – 1:20 pm  
Sponsor: Academic Section, Public Section  
This program will offer a “nuts and bolts” approach to developing a theme issue for publication in Louisiana Libraries.  
*Track: Marketing/ Public Relations.*

**National Network of Libraries of Medicine - Just not for Medical Science Libraries**  
Friday, 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm  
Sponsor: Academic Section, Subject Specialists Section, Library Users Education Interest Group  
The National Network of Libraries of Medicine can provide resources, continuing education and grant opportunities to member libraries. Nital Sheridan from the Ochsner Health System Medical Library & Archives in New Orleans will discuss the benefits to libraries by participation in the Network and the Health Sciences Libraries of Louisiana (HSLAL). Paul Drake of McNeese State University in Lake Charles will discuss that library’s investigation of joining and present an initial evaluation of the program since they joined in April 2008.  
*Tracks: Administration/Leadership, New Members, Adult/ User Services.*

**Dealing with Deluge: Extending Library Resources to Confront Sudden Need - A Working Case Study**  
Friday, 1:30 pm – 2:20 pm  
Sponsor: Academic Section, Public Section  
An overview of how Tulane’s University Libraries are using Library Associates Companies to deal with materials and tasks created by the impact Hurricane Katrina had on their collections and services. LAC is staffing the Tulane Libraries Recovery Center and is providing staff and equipment to supplement the Tulane Technical Services Department.  
*Track: Technical Services.*

**The Virtual Reality: Digital Reference in Louisiana Academic Libraries**  
Friday, 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm  
Sponsor: Academic Section, Reference Interest Group  
This program will look at digital reference initiatives at academic libraries in the state of Louisiana. It will explore the various technologies used for those initiatives, and some pros and cons of each technology. It will also discuss the LALINC Digital Reference Committee.  
*Tracks: Technology, Adult/ User Services.*
Saturday, March 14, 2009

Registration and Check-in- 7:00 am - 3:00 pm

Exhibit Hall open: Saturday, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

FRBR and RDA: The Challenge to AACR2 Rules
Saturday, 8:30 am – 9:30 am
Sponsors: Academic Section, Public Section, Library Managers Interest Group, Technical Services Interest Group
There is a real challenge to the fundamental principles of cataloging on the horizon! A new theoretical model and code will replace AACR2 as the fundamental model for descriptive cataloging in 2009. This presentation will discuss the challenges of implementing the “FRBR” model and “RDA” code and the impact on catalogers.
Track: Technical Services.

Web 1.0: I’m Not Dead Yet
Saturday, 9:00 am – 9:50 am
Sponsors: Academic Section, Public Section
Web 2.0 applications got a lot of attention, but more basic web publishing remains crucial. It’s easy to make a blog, but actually making a website is different - yet it’s still easy. This will cover how to choose web hosting, html composition, design basics and much more.
Tracks: Marketing/Public Relations, Technology.

Handling a Hot Potato: Progressive Discipline in Academic and Public Libraries
Saturday, 9:00 am – 9:50 am
Sponsors: Academic Section, Public Section, LaSSAL Section, Library Managers Interest Group
Two library supervisors, one academic and one public, will discuss Louisiana’s required procedure for the discipline and separation of a public employee in need of corrective action.
Track: Administration/Leadership.

Making a Difference to the K-12 Community: How a University Library Reaches Out
Saturday, 10:00 am – 10:50 am
Sponsor: Academic Section, LASL Section
In 2007, University of Texas at Arlington Library hosted over 500 K12 students for information literacy instruction and research. This session will share: “Reasons for inviting K12 classes to the library * Outreach techniques for this audience * Services provided through the library * Issues involved * Results seen from our efforts.
Tracks: Marketing/Public Relations, Youth Services.

Setting the Stage for a Presentation Studio
Saturday, 11:00 am – 11:50 am
Sponsor: Academic Section, Library Users Education Interest Group
Presentation Studios are an excellent way for libraries to bring the technology of the modern office or school to a community of users and improve access to technology. Librarians from Southeastern Louisiana University will discuss how they obtained funding, designed, and implemented a presentation studio at their institution.
Tracks: Facilities, Technology.

Faculty Perceptions of Students’ Information Literacy
Saturday, 11:00 am – 11:50 am
Sponsor: Academic Section, Library Users Education Interest Group, Reference Interest Group
Presentation of original research with faculty at LSUA on their perceptions of the level of students’ research skills and Information Literacy competencies. The research also identifies specific Information Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education important to the faculty in particular academic programs at LSUA. The research was done to help support planning for an Information Literacy program at LSUA.
Track: Administration/Leadership.

Powerful Partnerships & Great Opportunities: Promoting Archival Resources and Optimizing Outreach to Public and K12 Community
Saturday, 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm
Sponsors: Academic Section, LASL and Public Section
UT Arlington librarians will describe partnerships formed with local cultural and education organizations to optimize outreach efforts to the public and K12 community. They will also demonstrate online outreach services developed with other organizations that offer primary source maps, images, and documents from UT Arlington Library Special Collections.
Tracks: Marketing/Public Relations.

Working in Rhythm: Cajun & Creole Music Collection
Saturday, 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm
Sponsors: Academic Section, Subject Specialists Interest Group, Library Users Education Interest Group
Featuring audio, images and regalia, this presentation will describe the Cajun and Creole Music Collection at Edith Garland Dupré Library. The development of the CCMC exemplifies interdepartmental collaboration involving all library services including cultural organizations, university departments, private individuals and businesses.

Academic Section Business Meeting
Saturday, 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Sponsor: Academic Section
At the Academic Section Business Meeting, Chair Betsy Miguez will introduce the officers for the coming year and will present her report on the past year’s activities.
Track: Business Meeting.

Academic/ACRL Meet and Greet
Saturday, 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Sponsor: Academic Section
Hosted by Academic Section Chair, Betsy Miguez and ACRL-LA Chair, Michael Matthews. Please join the Academic Section and the Louisiana Section of ACRL for drinks, hors d’oeuvres, and award presentations. Each registrant will receive one complimentary beverage. This event is not limited to academic librarians. Everyone is invited to register!
Tracks: Facilities, Technical Services, Administration/Leadership, New Members, Technology, Staffing, Marketing/Public Relations, Adult/User Services, Youth Services, and Trustees.
**Ticketed event- by preregistration only.**

Book Dinner Cocktails
Saturday, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
There will be a cash bar available.

Book Dinner
Saturday, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Spend the evening with C.C. Lockwood. Dinner will be followed by an autograph signing session.
**Ticketed event- by registration only.**

Bring Your Own Bag Contest
LLA is “Going Green” this year. There will not be a conference bag provided this year, instead we want you to bring your own bag to conference and enter it in the First Annual Bring Your Own Bag Contest.
A winner will be chosen for:
Ugliest Bag, Cutest Bag, Oldest Bag, and Furthest Traveled Bag.
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