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From the AACRL President

The robins are attacking my garden plantings, so I'm sure that spring is here. And given that spring has sprung, it will soon be time for the annual AACRL business meeting and dinner. Vice-President / President-Elect Charlcie Vann has located an excellent site for our meeting on April 14th at 6:00 p.m. -- Terranova's Restaurant, 1420 Paramount Drive, Suite 1, Huntsville, Alabama.

Dr. Jerry Stephens, Director of the Mervin H. Sterne Library at the University of Alabama, Birmingham, will speak on managing libraries and maintaining services in a down economy. Information on making reservations and menu selection appear elsewhere in this newsletter.

Among the items we will be discussing during our business meeting are recommendations from the By-Laws Committee. Tim Dodge, our Past-President, has worked hard with Susan Herring and Harold Goss to provide some clarification regarding voting officers of the board and the association's committee structure.

I want to publicly thank Tim, Susan and Harold for their hard work in bringing these recommendations to the membership for approval.

Tim has been kept busy as Past-President, also chairing the nominating committee, comprising himself, Treasurer Muriel Wells, Margaret Kenney and Phyllis Tanner. The committee will soon be reporting its nominations for a vote. I appreciate the efforts of this committee to find such an accomplished list of candidates.

As President, I would like to thank all of the committees, the chairs and the

members, for their work this year. This is the first full-year of our new committee structure, and I think we've done a good job in getting started. I know Charlcie will continue to lead the way for the Association.

I want to thank you, the members, for making my term of service as President both enjoyable and relatively easy. I tremble when I see the efforts that I must duplicate in following Tim Dodge as Past President. Fortunately, I suffer from Margarita madness so I'm sure that any trepidation I have will soon dissipate. Thank you all for your help, your council, and your friendship.

*Rickey Best
AACRL President*

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Legislative News

National Library Legislative Day Change for 2010

Due to ALA Annual Conference being held in Washington, D.C. this year, ALA has decided to make a change in its annual National Library Legislative Day schedule. For this year only, Legislative Day is being renamed Library Advocacy Day

(<http://www.ala.org/ala/issuesadvocacy/advocacy/libraryadvocacyday/index.cfm>)

and is scheduled to follow Annual Conference (National Legislative Day is traditionally held in May).

Advocacy Day 2010 will be held Tuesday, June 29. The day will begin with a rally at 11:00 a.m. at Upper Senate Park on the grounds of the Capitol. Afterwards, state delegations will meet with their congressional representatives and staffs. Registration for ALA Annual is NOT required to attend Advocacy Day.

Registration for Advocacy Day (a nominal fee) remains for the event and the official state coordinator will still work to schedule appointments with congressional offices. Therefore, it is important for us to know who among Alabama's academic and research libraries will be attending. The hope by ALA is that holding "Leg Day" in conjunction with Annual Conference will increase the number of library advocates participating in the event.

Certainly, it is the hope of ACRL that this will greatly increase the number of advocates from academic/research libraries, as this segment of the profession has historically been the least represented. To this end, you may recall that our state chapter of ACRL approved a slight dues increase at last spring's annual meeting, with the intent that this would help fund a second stipend (\$500) to assist an AACRL member in attending Legislative Day.

Therefore, for this year, we have two stipends we can award. ACRL is also offering travel grants for Advocacy Day, though to apply one must be an ACRL Legislative Advocate (if you are not currently an Advocate, you can apply to become one and at the same time apply for a travel grant). Check the ACRL web site at <http://www.acrl.ala.org/acrlinsider/2010/02/16/acrl-offers-library-advocacy-day-travel-grants/> for further information.

If you are interested in applying for our state chapter stipend, please contact me (ekidwell@huntingdon.edu) by April 30. If you plan to attend Advocacy Day, regardless of the stipend, we would like to know by this date as well, or as soon thereafter as possible, so we can provide our Alabama state coordinator for Advocacy Day with a list. When planning visits to congressional offices, it makes a difference if your state delegation numbers at 4 or 34.

Eric A. Kidwell
AACRL Legislative Liaison

Treasurer's Report

March 8, 2010

The account balance as of November 30, 2009, stood at \$5308.55. Since that time, deposits of \$320 (membership dues) have been made, and \$4.49 in interest has accrued. No disbursements have been made.

The account balance as of February 28, 2010, is \$5633.04.

Muriel K. Wells
AACRL Treasurer

News from the Membership

Rebecca E. Whitten became Head Librarian of the Irma D. Nicholson Library at the Walker College/Jasper Campus of Beville State Community College.

Peggy Kain, Electronic Resources Librarian, Mervyn H. Sterne Library University of Alabama at Birmingham, will be moderating a discussion sponsored by the CDMRT/TSSRT roundtable entitled "Vendor relations in troubled times" at ALLA in Huntsville.

Muriel Nero and **Paula Webb**, University Library, University of South Alabama, had their article, "OPACs in the Clouds," published in the October 2009 issue of *Computers in Libraries* (vol. 29, issue 9.)

Angela Rand, University of South Alabama, Baldwin County, made a presentation in March entitled "Zombies, Machines, the Cloud and Us" at Connect the Dots, a national student conference hosted by the David Mathews Center for Civic Life.

Ellen Wilson, University Library, University of South Alabama, presented a poster session entitled "Citation Analysis of Undergraduate Honors Theses" at the USA Research Forum, March 2010.

Yingqi Tang, Houston Cole Library, Jacksonville State University, had the article, "Science and Technology: Environmental History Resources," published in *Reference Reviews*, vol. 23, no.7 (2009).

Alyssa Martin, Rosa Parks Library, Troy University, had her article, "Create a Culture of Mentoring @ Your Library," with E. Doolittle, J. B. Graham, H. Mendelson, and K. Snowden published in *The Southeastern Librarian*, Spring 2009, Volume 57(1).

Jason Battles, University of Alabama Libraries, attended the Code4Lib Conference in Asheville, NC, in February 2010. This conference is oriented to librarians and technical staff who are involved in some level of computer programming.

Annual Business Meeting Information

As we prepare for the Alabama Library Association Convention this April in Huntsville, we are pleased to announce the date and time for the AACRL Annual Meeting. Our dinner meeting will take place at 6:00 pm, April 14th, 2010 at Terranova's Restaurant, 1420 Paramount Drive, Suite 1, in Huntsville.

Terranova's is named for the character played on television by Ken Wahl in *Wiseguy*, Vinnie Terranova. The owners of Terranova's state that, being baby boomers, they were heavily influenced by television. If only they had gone to libraries more, they could have perhaps chosen a better name as "terranova" is also the name of a genus of nematodes in the family Anisakidae that parasitize elasmobranch fish. (*Veterinary Dictionary* – definition from Answers.com)

Our Vice- President / President-Elect, Charlcie Pettway Vann of JSU has developed an excellent program, featuring Dr. Jerry Stephens, Director of the Mervin H. Sterne Library at the University of Alabama Birmingham. Dr. Stephens will speak on managing libraries and maintaining services in a down economy, a timely and useful topic for us all.

For our business meeting, there will be a report on ACRL activities at the national level, along with recommendations by the By-Laws Committee, presented by Tim Dodge. After our dinner, the Awards Committee will present the Significant Contribution Award. Come join us for an entertaining evening in north Alabama and find out the winner of this year's Award. I look forward to seeing you in Huntsville.

*Rickey Best,
President AACRL*



AACRL and CUS Best Practices

AACRL and the College, University and Special Libraries Division of the Alabama Library Association will be co-sponsoring mini-sessions on Best Practices at the ALLA Convention. Chris Schaffer, Library Director at Troy University at Dothan will be chairing the mini-sessions, which are scheduled for Thursday, April 15th.

Featured presenters include Alyssa Martin of Troy University at Montgomery speaking on "Zotero: The Next Generation Research Tool." Joining her will be colleague Jeff Simpson of Troy University at Montgomery and Cendy Cooper of Robert E. Lee High School who will present on "Library Information Literacy in Action," and Melissa Fortson of the University of Alabama who will speak on "Access to Electronic Resources for Patrons with Disabilities."

AACRL is proud to work with Chris and the CUS team in co-sponsoring this event.

Also at the convention is the CUS Business Breakfast. The Breakfast will be Wednesday, April 14th, and will begin at 7:30 a.m. The speaker will be Ron Leonard, the new director of the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries. Join us as we hear Ron speak on new opportunities and challenges for NAAL.

*Rickey Best
AACRL President*

AACRL Programs at ALLA

AACRL has four programs, in conjunction with CUS, the College, University and Special Librarians Division, at the April 2010 Alabama Library Association Convention in Huntsville.

You can register for the conference at <http://allanet.org>. The AACRL/CUS programs are on:

Wednesday, April 14

1:00-2:00
Does Course-Integrated Instruction Make a Difference?
Harold Goss & Lori Northrup

Thursday, April 15

9:00-10:00
Faculty-Librarian Collaboration in an Upper-Division Writing-Intensive Course
Ellen K. Wilson & Jeffrey M. Blankenship

11:00-12:00
iClickers: Can You Hear Me Now?
Nancy Noe

2:00-3:00
AACRL Best Practices Mini-Sessions

For more information about AACRL events at the ALLA 2010 Convention visit the ALLA Annual Convention web site at http://allanet.org/convention_programs.cfm.

*Kathy Wheeler
AACRL Newsletter Editor*

AACRL Significant Contribution Award

The 2010 AACRL Significant Contribution Award will be presented at the annual Business Meeting and Dinner on April 14 in Huntsville to Aaron Trehub, Assistant Dean for Technology and Technical Services, Auburn University Libraries.

An additional special award presentation will be made that evening.

*Tim Dodge
AACRL Past-President*

Alabama Association of College & Research Libraries

Annual Business Meeting & Dinner Registration
April 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Terranova's Italian Restaurant
1420 Paramount Drive, Suite 1
Huntsville, Alabama 35806
<http://www.terranozasrestaurant.com/index.html>
256-489-8883

Registration Form

Name

Address

City

Zip Code

Cost for the Dinner is \$25. To register for the Dinner Meeting, please complete the form and return with a check made out to AACRL to Muriel Wells, AACRL Treasurer, NATIONAL CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER, 210 PRATT AVE., HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801. Checks need to be received no later than APRIL 5, 2010.

Menu Selection (Please choose one)

NOTE: beverages are NOT included in the price.

Entrée - **Dinner will include a Caesar or house salad with your choice of Italian or Ranch dressings.**

	Fettuccine Alfredo	Creamy Alfredo sauce over a bed of fettuccine. <i>Add grilled chicken.</i>
	Spaghetti	An Italian classic served with traditional meat or marinara sauce seasoned with Italian herbs. <i>Add meatballs.</i>
	Chicken Parmesan	Chicken breaded with Italian bread crumbs, and topped with marinara sauce and mozzarella cheese. Served with capellini pasta.
	Lasagna	Pasta layered with meat sauce and a generous portion of mozzarella, ricotta, parmesan, and Romano cheeses.
	Chicken Cannelloni	Pasta Rolls filled with grilled chicken, steamed spinach, ricotta cheese and mozzarella cheese topped with Béchamel and marinara sauces.
	Pasta Portofino	Bowtie pasta sautéed in a creamy sauce with smoked bacon, mushrooms, Parmesan cheese and scallions
	Penne alla Vodka	Penne pasta tossed in our spicy creamy marinara sauce with a splash of vodka and topped with parmesan cheese.
	Eggplant Parmigiana	Fresh eggplant, gently breaded and served with capellini pasta, marinara and topped with mozzarella cheese.

Dessert: ___ New York Style Cheesecake ___ Our Brownie Sundae

AACRL By-Laws Changes

Several new committees were formed and existing committees expanded this past year. Expanding opportunities for service on committees is a good way to encourage active involvement by interested members and is a good mechanism to help identify future candidates for AACRL offices.

All current AACRL members attending the annual business meeting and dinner on April 14 in Huntsville are encouraged to review the By-Laws changes listed below.

The AACRL Executive Board recently approved the changes but final approval is needed by a vote of a quorum of current members present at the annual business meeting and dinner.

Members are encouraged to review the existing By-Laws online at <http://www.aacrl.org/bylaws/by-laws2009.pdf>.

Article VI – Officers

Section 3. Duties

b) **The Vice President/President-Elect**...shall serve as Chair of the Continuing Education and Training Committee.

e) **The Past President**...shall serve as Chair of the By-Laws Committee.

h) **The Legislative Liaison**...shall also serve as Chair of the Committee on Government Relations.

Article VII – Executive Board

The voting members of the Executive Board shall consist of...Legislative Liaison, and the Web Manager.

Article VIII – Committees

Section 1. Committees. Add the Awards Committee. [See also Section 2. Appointments below for

composition of this committee].

Section 2. Appointments. Members and chairs of all committees shall be made appointed...

Terms of appointment for committee members who are not officers serving on the AACRL Executive Board shall be for staggered two-year terms with reappointment being possible.

The Treasurer Member-at-Large/Chapter Liaison shall chair the Membership Committee...

The Past-President shall chair the Awards Committee and membership will be comprised of the Member-at-Large/Chapter Liaison and Secretary.

The Past President shall chair the Nominating Committee which shall have at least two other members one of whom shall be the Member-at-Large/Chapter Liaison.

*Tim Dodge
AACRL Past-President and
By-Laws Committee Chair*

Chapters Council Update

For those of you who were not able to attend the national ACRL meetings in Boston, I wanted to give you the following update from Chapters Council. The meeting was held on Sunday, January 17, 2010.

A report was submitted by the Task Force on Funding. Task Force members were Barbara Kenney (New England), Les Kong (California), Mark Lenker (Virginia), Linda Swartwout (Wisconsin) and I. The Task Force developed a resolution calling for National ACRL to increase funding for the chapters from \$1.00 per

national member to \$3.00 per national member over two years, and also advocated that unexpended funds be held as a pool to allow chapters to apply for up to \$500 in additional funding to support programmatic activities. The resolution was approved by Council on a vote of 23 to 1, and the resolution was forwarded to the ACRL Board for action.

ACRL President Lori Goetsch described ongoing work on the Value of Academic Libraries initiative. Megan Oakley is working on a Meta study for demonstrating the value of academic libraries on student success and retention. A study is also being undertaken to demonstrate the value of academic libraries in providing research value and support for the faculty. Oakley will be holding a workshop on demonstrating the value of academic libraries at the annual meeting in Washington in June.

The last item of news is that the Alabama Chapter was asked to provide support for bringing the ACRL Conference to Nashville in 2017. After consulting with the Board, I submitted a letter of support, offering any physical assistance we can provide to assist with the conference.

Thanks to a message forwarded by Eric Kidwell, our Legislative Liaison, I have learned that Nashville was selected as the site for the 2017 ACRL conference.

*Rickey Best
AACRL President*

AACRL Official Ballot

Vice-President/President-Elect

_____ Donna Chow
_____ Lori Northrup

Secretary

_____ Alyssa Martin
_____ Ellen Wilson

Member-at-Large/Chapter Liaison

_____ Nordis Smith
_____ Yingqi Tang

Return ballot by **April 7** to:

Tim Dodge, AACRL Past-President
Reference Dept.
Ralph Brown Draughon Library
231 Mell St.
Auburn University, AL 36849-5606.

**Alabama Association of
College & Research Libraries**

Candidate Biographical Information

Vice-President/President-Elect

Donna Chow, Library Director,
South University, Montgomery

Education:

MLS, University of Hawaii, Manoa;
BA, English/French,
University of Maryland, College
Park.

Professional Memberships/Activities:

American Library Association,
1986-current,
Alabama Library Association,
2002-current [AACRL, ALIRT,
CUS, Intellectual Freedom Commit-
tee, RASRT];
Alabama Association of College &
Research Libraries, 2007-current;
Law Libraries Association of Ala-
bama, 2005-current;
SELA, 2002-current;
American Association of Law Li-
braries, 2002-current;
American Association of University
Women.

Publications/Presentations:

Tsuzaki Reinecke pidgin creole
collection : list of cataloged publica-
tions. Honolulu, Hawaii : University
of Hawaii Library, University of
Hawaii at Manoa, [1990]
"Julia Hampton Morgan and Intellec-
tual Freedom," presentation at SELA
conference.
"Time budgets as concrete rationale
for increasing library
staff," web presentation for Educa-
tion Management librarians.

**Lori Northrup, Reference Depart-
ment Chair,** Samford University
Library

Education:

M.L.I.S., University of Alabama
B.A. English and French,
Troy State University

Professional Memberships/Activities:

American Library Association,
2001-2004, 2005-;
Association of College and Research

Libraries, 2002-2004, 2005-; ACRL
College Libraries Section, 2007-; ACRL
Instruction Section, 2005-; Library
Leadership & Management Association,
2008-;
Reference and User Services Associa-
tion, ALA, 2003-2005;
RUSA, Machine-Assisted Reference
Section, ALA, 2003-2005;
New Members Roundtable, ALA, 2002-
2003;
AACRL, 2002-; Secretary, AACRL,
2006-2008;
Alabama Library Association,
1999-; Public Libraries Division,
ALLA, 1999-2001; College, University,
and Special Libraries Division, ALLA,
2002-

Publications:

Schrimsher, R., Alverson, S, and
Northrup, L. 2010. "A Survey of
Samford University Students Regarding
Plagiarism and Academic Misconduct,"
submitted for review to *International
Journal of Educational Integrity*.
Northrup, Lori. 2008. "MeeboMe! For
Embedded Chat Reference:
Patron-initiated Encounters without
Downloads or Accounts," *College and
Undergraduate Libraries* 15:3.
Northrup, Lori and Beth Ashmore. 2006.
"Creating Easy to Update Subject Guides
without Using a Database." *College and
Undergraduate Libraries* 13, no. 1.

Presentations:

With Harold Goss, "Library/Faculty
Information Literacy Collaboration,"
a part of "Inform: Collaborations that
promote information literacy," Alabama
Library Association annual conference,
Auburn, AL, April 9, 2009
"A Thousand Words: Using Jing(r) to
add visual aids to online reference
transactions and other reference prod-
ucts," AACRL mini-sessions, Alabama
Library Association annual conference,
Auburn, AL, April 8, 2009
"Using WebCT to Train Library Student
Workers," AACRL Best Practices
Mini-Sessions, Alabama Library

Association Annual Conference,
April 26, 2006

Secretary

Alyssa Martin,
**Interlibrary Loan/
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Troy University Rosa Parks Li-
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ery Campus

Education:

MLIS, University of Alabama
Master of Social Work (MSW),
University of Alabama;
BA, Communication, University of
Alabama.

Professional Memberships/Activities:

ALLA 2002-present; ALA, ACRL,
AACRL 2006-present;
SELA 2007-present
Member-at-Large of Projects,
College and Universities Section
(CUS) 2009-10; Moderator-Elect,
Reference and Adult Services
Roundtable (RASRT) 2009-10;
Secretary, RASRT 2007-08 &
2008-09;
Member-at-Large, AACRL
2006-08; ACRL Instruction
Section (ACRL_IS), Membership
Committee 2006-08.

Selected Publications/Presentations:

"Partners with a Vision: Librarians
and Faculty Collaborate to Develop
a Library Orientation Program at
a Non-traditional Campus" with
Dr. J. Bryant and J. Slay in *The
Southeastern Librarian*, Spring
2007, 55(1)
"Create a Culture of Mentoring @
Your Library" with E. Doolittle,
J. B. Graham, H. Mendelson, and
K. Snowden in *The Southeastern
Librarian*, Spring 2009, Volume
57(1)

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“Are You Ready for “the Cloud”? Implications and Uses of Cloud Computing for Libraries” at the 9th Annual Brick & Click Libraries Symposium with K. Snowden and D. West

“Using Web 2.0 tools such as Google Apps in library instruction sessions with non-traditional students” at the 2009 LOEX Conference with J. Slay and K. Snowden

“Collaboration with faculty to develop course-integrated instruction,” at the 2006 ALLA Conference with Dr. J. Bryant and J. Slay.

Ellen K. Wilson Instructional Technology/Reference Librarian, University Library, University of South Alabama

Education:

M.S. in Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston MA; Graduate certificate in professional and technical communication, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, NJ
B.A. in Earth and Planetary Science, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO

Professional Memberships/Activities:

AACRL; AACRL secretary (2008-2010);
Alabama Library Association;
American Library Association;
Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL);
ACRL Instruction Session; Attended ACRL Institute for Information Literacy's Immersion program in 2008;
Beta Phi Mu, Beta Beta Chapter

Publications/Presentations:

“Citation Analysis of Undergraduate Honors Theses,” USA Research Forum, March 2010
“Integrating Information Literacy into an Upper-Division Writing-Intensive Course,” Mississippi Library Association Annual Meeting, October 2009

“Teaching Writing and Research Skills in an Undergraduate Public Administration Class,” with Dr. J. Blankenship, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2009

“LibX Toolbar.” Talk at Alabama Library Association Annual Convention, April 2008

"Supercharge Your Browser!" USA Technology Fair, October 2007

"Emerging Technologies, Emerging Teachers: Collaborative Workshops at Simmons GSLIS," with A. Cody and J. Lege, ALA Annual '07, Washington, D.C.

Member-at-Large/ Chapter Liaison

Nordis J. Smith, Professor/Reference, Interlibrary Loan, Instruction Librarian, Huntingdon College

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M.L.S., University of Wisconsin-Madison
B.S., University of Wisconsin-Madison. Additional undergraduate coursework, Auburn University Montgomery, Huntingdon College
Teaching: Library Research Methods (3-credit course)
Libraries: Repositories & Transmitters of Humanity's Record (3-credit course); Huntingdon College

Professional Memberships/Activities

Alabama Library Association
ALIRT - member, program planning committee 2007-08
RASRT - member, program planning committee 2007-08, secretary 2006-07.
Alabama Library Association Annual Conference (consistent attendee).
Alabama Association of College & Research Libraries, member
Beta Phi Mu, Beta Kappa Chapter
Past-President, 2008-2010; President, 2006-2008.

Yingqi Tang, Distance Education Librarian/Electronic Resources Manager (Assistant Professor), Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville

Education:

MLS, North Carolina Central University;
Master of Public Health, Umea University (Umea, Sweden)

Professional Membership/Activities:

Alabama Library Association (ALLA) 2009-current
Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), Lifetime CALA Membership Officer 2009
CALA Awards Committee 2009
Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries (AACRL), 2009-current
Continuing Education & Training Committee, 2009-2010
Higher Education Partnership, 2009-current

Publications/Presentations:

Tang, Yingqi, “Placing theory into practice: an exploration of library services to distance learners at Jacksonville State University.” *Journal of Library & Information Services in Distance Learning*, 3, no. 3/4 (July 2009): 173-181
Tang, Yingqi. Rev. of “Environmental History Resources” *Reference Reviews* (v.23 no.7, 2009), p. 36-37
Accepted to present at “Creative Forum for Library Management and Service,” Shanghai China.

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Tim Dodge
AACRL Past President

Don't forget to vote for your
AACRL officers by April 7!

See the enclosed ballot.

Also online at

<http://www.aacrl.org/>



**Alabama Association of
College & Research Libraries**

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