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# **President's Comments**

## by Faith Line

"Preserving the Past, Embracing the Future" was the theme for the 1997 South Carolina Library Association Conference. I hope to carry that same theme throughout this coming year with SCLA. Librarianship today, in its many forms, is the artful combination of a past rich with books and history and a future that is a daily trial-by-fire of exploding technologies. As complex as this melding often seems, it affords us the tools and "weapons" to face whatever challenges we face as librarians.

And there are many challenges facing us today. From providing Internet access and dealing with filtering issues, to keeping up with the explosion in the publishing industry, the world of librarianship is changing minute by minute, and in order to keep up we have to be ready and able to change too.

Many of these challenges facing us are the vast myriad of new and exciting ideas and technological advances we have to deal with. The computer you bought yesterday is already obsolete and the book you have on order is at least a year old before you even get it. So how do we put it all together and do our (jobs? Very carefully and with open and flexible minds.

And we do it together. SCLA is a great place to meet with your colleagues and find out how they deal with the same problems you're dealing with and how they're coping with all the changes in our world. Take time to read your *News & Views* thoroughly. It contains a valuable wealth of knowledge and information and should become your best friend. Check out our web site at: http://www.groupz.net/scla/ and keep informed of current happenings. Get involved. Volunteer to serve on a committee and help make SCLA an integral part of every librarian's life in South Carolina. Attend the meetings, workshops, and programs

presented throughout the year by SCLA sections, round tables, and committees. There are wonderful programs and workshops being planned right now. Make sure that you attend as many as you can. Not only do you support that section or round table with your attendance and participation, you also will come back to your job with new insights and fresh approaches to being successful in what you do.

So get involved with SCLA. It is your organization, and the only way to make it better is for you to take part in it. Feel free to call or e-mail me and let me know what you'd like to see happen with SCLA. If you have ideas for programs for the conference or workshops, let me know and I'll pass them on. If you're not happy with something about SCLA, let me know that too. We'll work hard to change it and make it better, but we can't do that without input. Feel free to "let me have it," because the only way we can make things right is to know when they've gone wrong. You'll find my e-mail address, street address, and phone number on the officers page of the web page. Use it often. One of my joys in life is to receive e-mail, so please let me hear from you. We have an exciting year ahead of us in SCLA, and we need you to be a part of it.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank everyone who helped with the 1997 conference in Myrtle Beach. It was a great conference, and it would not have been possible without the help of many, many people. The section and round table chairs did a fabulous job developing meaningful programs, and the conference committee did a fantastic job handling all the countless details involved in putting on a conference of this magnitude. It was a wonderful team effort!

Keep an eye out for upcoming programs and workshops and get involved. As Uncle Sam says, "We need YOU!"

Les Jes

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## SCLA Annual Conference October 21-23, 1998 Adams Mark Hotel Columbia, South Carolina

April 1 is the deadline to let Betsey Carter know your group's preferred session timeslot. For more information, contact her at 803-953-6844, fax: 803-953-5190;

e-mail: cartere@citadel.edu.

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# Calendar of events

## March 28, 1998

"Zachert Scholarship Workshop: Using the Web to Get and Keep the Perfect Job." USC College of Library and Information Science. 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact USC-CLIS at 803-777-5277; fax: 803-777-7938; or CLIS-GOLD@sc.edu.

## April 1, 1998

Deadline for return of preliminary form to sign up for session at the SCLA Annual Conference, October 21-23, 1998. Contact Betsey Carter at 803-953-6844 or cartere@citadel.edu.

## April 3-4, 1998

Information Access Conference/Information Update and Gala Celebration for the 25th anniversary of USC's College of Library and Information Science. For more information, go to http://www.libsci.sc.edu or e-mail Nonie Price at nprice@sc.edu.

## **April 18, 1998**

"Introduction to Internet Security." USC College of Library and Information Science. 9:00 a.m. - noon. For more information, contact USC-CLIS at 803-777-5277; fax: 803-777-7938; or CLIS-GOLD@sc.edu.

## April 24, 1998

"Subject Searching in Online Catalogs and Databases." USC College of Library and Information Science. 9:00 a.m. - noon. For more information, contact USC-CLIS at 803-777-5277; fax: 803-777-7938; or CLIS-GOLD@sc.edu.

## April 25, 1998

"Microsoft Access Databases." USC College of Library and Information Science. 9:00 a.m. - noon. For more information, contact USC-CLIS at 803-777-5277; fax: 803-777-7938; or CLIS-GOLD@sc.edu.

## April 25, 1998

"Basics of Computers." USC College of Library and Information Science. 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. For more information, contact USC-CLIS at 803-777-5277; fax: 803-777-7938; or CLIS-GOLD@sc.edu.

## **April 25, 1998**

SCLA Executive Board meeting. Richland CPL.

## May 4, 1998

Library Legislative Day. Washington, D.C. Contact Debby Coleman at 803-216-8662 or debbyc@infoave.net.

## May 15, 1998

1998 May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture. USC Law School Auditorium. 7:00 p.m. Call 803-929-3470 for ticket information.

## June 1, 1998

Deadline for return of final form with speaker and session information for the SCLA Annual Conference, October 21-23, 1998. Contact Betsey Carter at 803-953-6844 or carter@citadel.edu.

## June 6, 1998

SCLA Executive Board meeting. Richland CPL.

## June 25- July 2, 1998

ALA Annual Conference. Washington, D.C.

## August 21, 1998

SCLA Executive Board meeting. Richland CPL.

## **September 19, 1998**

Friends of South Carolina Libraries annual meeting. Columbia. Contact John Landrum at 803-734-8666.

#### October 21-23, 1998

SCLA Annual Conference. Adams Mark Hotel, Columbia.

## January 22-28, 1999

American Library Association Midwinter Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

#### April 8-11, 1999

Association of College & Research Libraries National Conference. Detroit, Michigan.

## June 24 - July 1, 1999

American Library Association Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA.

## July 19 - 22, 1999

Black Caucus of ALA Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

#### November 10-14, 1999

American Association of School Librarians National Conference.

## December 1 - 4, 1999

SCLA Annual Conference. Hilton Head.

# Musings from the **Executive Secretary**

by Drucie Raines

The SCLA Leadership Retreat was a success even though attendance was low. Rosters for committees and officers are elsewhere in *News & Views*. Please check these carefully and let me know if there are changes or corrections at <scla@charleston.net>. There are some vacancies on the Committee



Roster; therefore, if you are interested in serving on a committee, please let Faith Line know. She can be reached at voice: 803-773-7273, fax: 803-773-4875, or e-mail: fline@ftc-i.net.

SCLA now has a new home page address: <a href="http://www.groupz.net/scla">http://www.groupz.net/scla</a>. One of the many informative items on the home page is the 1998 membership list. The listing will include name, institution, institution telephone number, fax number, and an e-mail link. If you do NOT want your name listed in the web directory, please let me know immediately via one of the following methods: voice mail: 803-899-8705, fax: 803-824-2690, or e-mail: scla@charleston.net. A check-off for not listing your name in the web directory is included on the 1998 membership application. In addition, the Executive Secretary's office will no longer provide hard copies of the complete membership directory or the SCLA Handbook since both are available on the Internet.

Once again, your mailing label on this issue reflects your current membership status; "SCLA 1998 MEMBER" means that you are a current member beginning January 1, 1998. Since 1997 membership expired December 31, 1997, a 1998 membership form is included elsewhere in this issue. You should have received a membership mailing if you did not renew by February 1, 1998.

I am looking forward to an exciting, productive year in SCLA and to working with each of you.

# Former South Carolina State Librarian Dies

Betty E. Callaham, 68, Director of the South Carolina State Library from 1979 to 1990, died February 7, 1998.

She joined the staff of the South Carolina State Library Board in 1960 and served as Adult Consultant, Director of Field Services, and Deputy Director prior to becoming Director. As Director of the State Library, she was vitally interested in using new technologies to improve library services. She initiated the South Carolina Library Network and was instrumental in securing state funding for public libraries to participate electronically in resource sharing activities with libraries of all types.

Callaham served as president of the South Carolina Library Association, Chair of the SOLINET Board of Directors, and Counselor of the American Library Association. SCLA awarded her the Intellectual Freedom Award.

Governor Carroll Campbell honored Callaham upon her retirement with the Order of the Palmetto, the state's highest civilian award.

## **Augusta Baker Dies**

World-renowned storyteller Augusta Baker died on February 22, 1998.

She had served as Children's Coordinator for the New York Public Library prior to retiring to South Carolina. After her retirement, she served as Storyteller-in-Residence at the University of South Carolina.

The Augusta Baker's Dozen Festival, sponsored by the Richland County Public Library and the USC College of Library and Information Science, is named in her honor.

# News from the University of South Carolina Libraries

## New Librarians at USC Columbia:

Terry Lipscomb, South Caroliniana Library, Archivist; Robert Skinder, Thomas Cooper Library, Science Reference Librarian; Stafanie DuBose, Thomas Cooper Library, Interlibrary Loan Librarian; Jean (Jo) Cottingham, Thomas Cooper Library, Interlibrary Loan Librarian; Paul Cammarata, Thomas Cooper Library, Reference Librarian.

## **Exhibits at Thomas Cooper Library:**

Through April 12, Mezzanine Exhibit Area, "Ireland and Irish Writers."

From April 15, Mezzanine Exhibit Area, "African-American Children's Books," from the Augusta Baker Collection.

The University of South Carolina Libraries publication, Ex Libris, has received an "Award of Excellence" in the category of annual reports and an "Award of Special Merit" in the category of Design for Print/Visual Design from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, District III. The District covers the Southeastern states. An exhibit of award winners will be presented in Orlando in February.

The Film Library at the University of South Carolina has been awarded a \$30,000 grant from the American Film Institute National Center for Film and Video Preservation to preserve endangered Fox Movietonews footage. Over 16,000 feet of silent-era film that currently exists only in its original nitrate form will be preserved. Stories that were exclusive to Fox Movietonews were chosen because they may be the only known visual record of the story's subject matter. The time period covered by the material ranges from the first Fox News story filmed in September 1919 through the end of the 1920s.

Benjamin Singleton is the new Newsfilm Coordinator for the Newsfilm Collection of the Film Library, University of South Carolina. He is responsible for the administration of the Newsfilm collections, including the new digital compression facility.

Scott Allen is the new colorist and digital compression engineer for the library's Newsfilm Collection.

The USC Columbia Libraries are addressing the problem of overcrowded shelves by planning to build a storage annex several miles from the campus. The annex will be designed specifically to house a large number of items which are duplicates or which, according to circulation statistics, have seldom if ever left the shelves. Because of the compact storage methods which will be used, the facility will be able to house many more items than could be accommodated in a traditional library setting. Items housed in the facility will be retrievable within twenty-four hours upon request.

The building will also house a state-of-the-art preservation lab which will allow librarians to treat fragile and deteriorating items and also to store them in such a way as to prolong their usefulness. Holly Herro, a preservation librarian, has been hired to oversee the outfitting and activities of the lab.

## **New Foundation Directory Issued**

The South Carolina Foundation Directory, sixth edition, 1997, is now available from the South Carolina State Library. A complimentary copy will be available for each public library (including branch libraries) and each academic library in South Carolina. To order additional copies at \$10.00 each, send check, money order, or purchase order payable to South Carolina State Library to Foundation Directory, SC State Library, P.O. Box 11469, Columbia, SC 29211. A full return address should be provided to facilitate mailing. The sixth edition lists 284 private philanthropic and community foundations. For more information, contact Karen McMullen at 803-734-8666.

# **Intellectual Freedom: A Tale of Two Libraries**

## by Steve Johnson, Chair, Intellectual Freedom Committee

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness... it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness." I am sure you are all familiar with the opening lines of Charles Dickens's A Tale of Two Cities. How aptly those words describe the current predicament in which we find ourselves as librarians.

The Internet and the World Wide Web have created an information revolution that ranks in importance with the invention of movable type, the telephone, and television. For the first time, library users can instantaneously access all types of information from all around the world. They no longer have to rely on what their local library can afford to buy and put on the shelves or what the librarians deem appropriate for their users. It's all out there in cyberspace: the good, the bad, and the ugly. And it's available to all libraries, whether they be public, school, academic, or special libraries. Never have we as librarians had the opportunity to provide such a broad array of information to our users.

However, these opportunities are also creating challenges, and to those dealing with these challenges, they might seem as great as the opportunities themselves. Some librarians and library policy-makers have opted to allow total access to the Internet, while others have opted to control the type of information their users can or cannot access. Although there are many aspects to this control, the center of controversy is pornography. In an effort to eliminate access to pornography, many South Carolina school and public libraries have installed filters on their public computers.

Filters are software designed to block Internet content. Unfortunately, filters tend to block not only pornographic information, but potentially useful information as well. For example, according to Karen Schneider, author of *A Practical Guide to Internet Filters*, sites on the Internet with information about the production and use of butter or "The Owl and the Pussycat" might be blocked just because they contain coincidental letter combinations. Despite their potential usefulness to our users, these sites have become casualties in the war on pornography. And even if it is or isn't pornography, who are we to judge, as librarians, what our users are reading?

It seems strange to me that we belong to the same association, go to the same meetings, and share the same meals and conversations, and yet, we have reacted to the Internet in such opposite ways. It is my hope that future generations will look at us and admire our courage in meeting this challenge in a positive way, not as the generation of librarians who pulled the plug on the Internet.

## SCLA's Position on Intellectual Freedom

The South Carolina Library Association's position on intellectual freedom is clear and unequivocal. The first goal

of the association, as stated in its *Handbook*, is "to work for greater public understanding and support of the principles of intellectual freedom as enunciated in the Library Bill of Rights, the School Library Bill of Rights, and the Freedom to Read Statement adopted by ALA and SCLA."

The first duty of the Intellectual Freedom Committee (IFC) is to promote "greater awareness among SCLA members of intellectual freedom and censorship of libraries and librarians." As a first step in this process, the IFC wishes to bring the general membership's attention to the Library Bill of Rights.

## Library Bill of Rights

The American Library Association affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their services.

- 1. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
- 2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
- 3. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.
- 4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
- 5. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
- 6. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

#### **Next Step**

The phrase "easier said than done" certainly rings true when it comes to putting the principles of intellectual freedom into practice. So, as a second step, the IFC aims to provide assistance to those needing more information on the issues of intellectual freedom and the Internet. The IFC web page now has links to intellectual freedom web sites and is located at <a href="http://www.groupz.net/scla/sections/intellectual.html">http://www.groupz.net/scla/sections/intellectual.html</a>. And remember, if you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact us—we are just a click away.

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# An Interview with the Past President of SCLA Tom Sutherland Reflects on the Role of State Associations

by Jeanette Bergeron

Jeanette Bergeron: Could you describe for us how you first became involved with the South Carolina Library Association and how you participated before your term as president-elect.

Tom Sutherland, 1996-1997 SCLA President: About ten years ago I noticed that although the Special Libraries Section of SCLA and the SC Chapter of SLA had considerable overlap in membership, there did not seem to be any coordination or cooperation between the two organizations. I thought we could do better, and I believe we are doing better although we are not there yet.

My efforts with the Special Libraries Section led to my being elected Vice-Chair and Chair of that section. Then I was nominated to be Vice-President, President-Elect of SCLA. That nomination was flattering to me, both personally and professionally. I also felt that I had some obligation to show that special librarians are able to lead the state professional library association and that you do not have to be the director of an academic or public library.

J.B.: How does this compare with your involvement in the South Carolina chapter of the Special Libraries Association?

T.S.: SC/SLA is one of my favorite organizations. I have attended enough meetings to come to know and be friends with those who regularly attend. That lends a special enjoyment to the SC/SLA meetings. In addition, we usually have very informative and stimulating meetings in interesting settings. Some of this is because we are in a small enough state to get around to the various locations, even though Clemson to Charleston is a stretch, and we are a small enough group that it is possible to get to know each other.

**J.B.:** How would you define SCLA's role in the state? In the profession?

T.S.: I believe that networking is essential for the exchange of information and for professional development. Just as no one library can have every book and must rely on other libraries for ILL, no one librarian can know every solution. Certainly the more librarians that you know, the better the chances are that someone else may be able to help with a solution for some of your problems. SCLA provides a wide cross-section of all the various kinds of libraries in the state and is a vehicle for the librarians to get to know one another. Within SC/SLA our collections tend to be diverse, but within the larger context of SCLA, there may be a complementary or backup collection that can supply a resource not in one's own collection.

SCLA is also an advocate for libraries and librarians through its lobbying efforts in Washington and in Columbia.

The SCLA conference provides some formal instruction in professional development as well as an opportunity to hear authors and experts in various fields.

**J.B.:** Briefly describe how SCLA functions. We know you sing high praises for Drucie Raines.

T.S.: SCLA is big enough and generates enough revenue from the annual conference to be able to employ a part-time executive secretary. That makes for continuity and consistency in the organization. We are extremely fortunate to have a very capable and talented Executive Secretary in Drucie Raines. She has been in that job for years and thus has a lot of experience as well as ability. The successful staging of the annual state conference is a big enough undertaking that it would be very difficult to manage for the transient officers of the association to do it without an executive secretary. The activities of the sections and round tables are an important part of SCLA. Since they are smaller and more focused on specific issues, they can hold workshops on those issues in addition to their annual programs at the conference.

**J.B.:** Are there any lessons in SCLA's operation and structure for SC/SLA, a much newer organization?

T.S.: I think the important difference is size rather than newness. SC/SLA is smaller and more flexible, but does not generate the same level of revenue. We do different things. SC/SLA has had great success with quarterly meetings while SCLA has an annual conference lasting several days with enough attendees that fifty to one hundred vendors want to come and set up displays. SC/SLA has been very successful in attracting single sponsors for individual meetings.

Since SC/SLA is more like the sections and round tables of SCLA, perhaps we should have an occasional workshop such as a refresher on cataloging. I remember a workshop we did on the Internet about five years ago at Greenville Tech that was very well received. However, I would not want to cut out the site visits since learning about the various special collections around the state is interesting and useful to me.

**J.B.**: Did you identify any special agenda for your SCLA term, and if so, how did it work out?

T.S.: No, I did not have any special agenda.

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**J.B.:** What accomplishments are you proud of during your term?

T.S.: One of the gratifying occurrences was the large and active Paraprofessional Round Table successfully petitioning to become a section. Of course, the credit for that must go to Ray Turner and the previous chairs of that group. I particularly enjoyed scheduling a speaker on the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley since it has recently been found. Because there is worldwide fascination with the American Civil War, the discovery of the Hunley is a most newsworthy South Carolina event.

**J.B.:** Is there any unfinished business that you plan to continue working on?

T.S.: I hope we will offer CE classes at future SCLA conferences. I think that the Panning for Gold series that CLIS [USC College of Library and Information Science] offers is great and it fills a need that has been around for some time. However, it is not always convenient to go to Columbia just when the class you need is offered. If we can offer some continuing ed at the conference, it may be beneficial to members. I think both a reference refresher class and a cataloging refresher would be attractive offerings. I also hope we can coordinate the fall SC/SLA meeting to coincide with one day of the SCLA conference. For SC/SLA members who do not belong to SCLA, it might encourage them to register for one day of the conference and see the exhibits and maybe attend some of the other sections' sessions. For those who belong to both organizations, consolidating two meetings might be efficient. Ideally, SCLA Special Library Section members who do not belong to SLA might see something that would entice them to join.

**J.B.:** As SCLA president, to what degree did you work with national-level issues or with ALA?

T.S.: I attended Library Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. That is an enjoyable event, and it is nice to visit your senators and representatives, but a bit expensive for what you get. However, I do think they need to see that we care about library-related issues. This event is organized by ALA and they do a good job of briefing the attendees. The issues that they push are ALA issues, which are mostly public library initiatives. As a patron, friend, and trustee of my local public library, I frequently attend state legislative day, but I think we do not expend enough effort on cultivating our local legislators who are accessible and provide half the funding for public libraries.

Even though SCLA is considered a chapter of ALA, I did not join ALA. Westinghouse only reimburses for one professional organization and the IRS only allows dues as a business expense, but the main reason is my antipathy for ALA's political views. I think they spend far too much time, effort, and money promoting what I believe are left-wing social issues rather than professional issues.

**J.B.:** How time-consuming were your terms as Vice-President/Conference Chair and as President?

T.S.: Not as bad as you might expect. Much of the day-to-day activities are done by sections and committees, the newsletter editor, and the executive secretary. I was very fortunate in working with some particularly outstanding local arrangements people, Norman Belk in Greenville and Cathy Wiggins in Myrtle Beach. They were on top of every detail, and the smooth functioning of the last two conferences is largely due to their efforts.

I think that I attended planning meetings or site visits or executive board meetings six or eight times a year. Now that almost everyone has e-mail, it is possible to coordinate things at a distance. Also with e-mail you do not end up playing telephone tag.

**J.B.:** What is the value of SCLA to a special librarian, given limited budgets for dues and registrations?

T.S.: For a very modest sum (\$50 dues and \$45 preregistration), you can attend a statewide conference and be
exposed to lots of vendors, lots of South Carolina librarians
and some outstanding speakers. I have met and heard U.S.
Representative Major Owens [D-N.Y., the only librarian in
Congress], ALA Presidents Mary Sommerville and Hardy
Franklin, and library humorist Will Manley at conferences. I
have also heard authors such as Terry Kay, Corrine Holt
Sawyer, John Jakes, and Olive Ann Burnes. The state association can draw these prominent speakers because it will have
hundreds of attendees.

You can also attend some useful sessions, from "how I did it good" to "what's new." For example, this year I thoroughly enjoyed the archives section program on manuscripts and rare items like slave diaries that North Carolina is making available on the Web. SCLA also has a lively poster session that lets you see what others are doing and is a good and easy way to exhibit what you are doing. The Special Libraries Section provides a logical place for the special librarian in SCLA. The association also publishes a bi-monthly newsletter.

J.B.: Could you specifically name three or four direct benefits you have received from SCLA participation?

T.S.: I enjoy meeting other librarians, I enjoy visiting other libraries, and I am usually interested in library programs. All are benefits I receive from participating in SCLA and are activities that make me a better and more competent librarian. I have had the opportunity to select several programs for the Special Libraries section and several general session speakers

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for the conference. I have been able to have my opinions and views on professional issues published in SCLA's News & Views. I also send articles to Georgia and Southeastern and SLA. Of course, I also belong to SELA [Southeastern] and GLA [Georgia]. I think the more associations that I belong to, the better my chances are to find a journal that will accept me.

- J.B.: Do you think there is value in having two organizations SC/SLA and the Special Libraries section of SCLA aside from the obvious fact that they locally represent different parent organizations? Please explain.
- T.S.: Yes, I think there are benefits to belonging to both. As I noted above, SCLA is large enough to present notable speakers and programs. But you have to be a small enough group to get to tour the Charleston Library Society, or eat lunch in the Johnson and Wales demonstration dining room or the Faculty Club on the Horseshoe.
- J.B.: What advice would you give successive SCLA Presidents?
- T.S.: \*Enjoy the opportunity; it is a rewarding experience.
- \*There are plenty of experienced past presidents happy to advise you.
- \*The association has been around for a long time and will survive your tenure.
- \*Keep asking the Librarian of Congress to come. Dr. Billington turned me down but some day we may get him or his successor
- \*Some institutional support is necessary. The President of SCLA has to be able to make long distance phone calls, have a fax machine, and, most of all, e-mail.
- **J.B.:** What is your vision for SCLA ten years from now?
- T.S.: More members and a larger percentage of the librarians in SC as members, with a newsletter that is distributed electronically.
- **J.B.:** How has your leadership role in SCLA impacted your awareness of your profession and changed you as a librarian?
- **T.S.:** I think I am more aware of the talent and capabilities that are possessed in large measure by many librarians throughout the state in public, academic, and school libraries.

A long-time member of SC/SLA, Tom Sutherland recently retired as librarian at the Westinghouse Savannah River Site Library in Aiken.

# **News from Francis Marion University's Rogers Library**

Francis Marion University's James A. Rogers Library, the sixth largest academic library in South Carolina, has completed a conversion from card catalog to computerized online public access catalog (OPAC). Begun in 1989, the project took a minimum of 17,470 hours to complete and saved the school more than \$27,000.

The older records were converted from their manual format to a digitized version. Since 1989, Rogers Library has offered about 80 percent of the records online, in a machine-readable form. Library staff worked to convert the other 20 percent over the past eight years.

"We are showing 250,980 records, or titles, in our database, and this is a long-awaited day when the bibliographic record for every book has been entered into the computer," library Dean Paul Dove said.

By searching the online catalog electronically, patrons readily know whether volumes are available, saving them valuable search time.

Staff allocated a day each week to retrospective conversion efforts to accomplish the "mammoth project," Dove said. They also continued processing new materials acquired by the library. "By doing this inhouse, we were able to maintain our quality standards for cataloging and save the university thousands of dollars," Dove said. He added that the going rate to convert manual to digital card catalogs is about sixty cents per volume.

Members of the cataloging team are Theodore C. Zuppa, Linda D. Becote, Cynthia A. Price, Wendy W. Moore, Brenda B. Calcutt, and Barbara B. Frinks. Other staff members and Demetra T. Walker, FMU's media center resource area coordinator, helped with the project.

During 1997 the Rogers Library served 154,601 users, 11 percent more than in 1996, and established a new record in annual library usage. The library houses more than the equivalent of 354,000 volumes, Dove said. This figure includes books, bound periodicals, microfiche books and periodicals, and other government documents.

The library is a member of SOLINET, the Southeastern Library Network; PALMCOP, the Palmetto Archives, Libraries and Museums Council on Preservation; SCLA; Data Research Associates (DRA) Users Group; and DISCUS, Digital Information for South Carolina Users. Its web page address is http://alpha2.fmarion.edu.

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## Statement of Concern

School library media programs/information literacy should be an integral part of the curriculum in each school and school district. The school library media specialists should create an environment so that teachers, administrators, parents, and students become advocates for the integration of information literacy in all curriculum areas. Technology, both informational and instructional, is now part of the school library media program and need to be promoted and integrated. The advent of technology has not changed what school library media specialists do, but HOW they do it. For example, collection management, analysis, selection, and collaboration with teachers have not changed, but the format of resources has changed.

Library media programs with certified library media specialists are in crisis. Research support that school library media program with certified library media specialists and quality, up-to-date resources impact on student achievement and learning. School library media specialists must become more involved in the process of curriculum development, instructional planning, and teaching and learning. School library media programs must be perceived as part of the learning and teaching community.

## AASL Solves the Puzzle

School library media programs should connect to each part of the school and AASL should provide leadership at the national level for those connections. Research demonstrates that these connections do impact on student achievement and learning. The connections are:

Curriculum Connections Ad Technology Connections

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ons Literacy Connections

Teaching and Learning Connections
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Research Connections

# **News from the Charleston County Public Library**

Seven videotapes about some of the most important battles of the American Civil War have been donated to the Charleston County Library by the 27th South Carolina Volunteer Infantry Reenactors of Charleston. The tapes were provided by producer Video Post as part of preparations for the recent War at Flood Tide Reenactment in Charleston Harbor.

The seven tapes compose the entire Video Post Civil War series to date. The titles are Pea Ridge Campaign of 1862; The Civil War Enters Arkansas; The Greatest Moments of the Greatest Battles of the Civil War; Wilson's Creek, The Struggle of Missouri Begins; The Valley Campaign of 1864 Rages in the Shenandoah Valley; The Tennessee Campaign of 1864, Gettysburg and Murfreesboro; and Bloody New Year in Tennessee.

According to Bill Smith, Secretary-Treasurer of the 27th S.C. Reenactors, "These tapes illustrate that era that impacted on Charleston even though the areas were far away. Much of the supplies for these battles were run through the blockade in Charleston and were sent to the army of the Charleston-Memphis Railroad. They are excellent documentaries for students, buffs, and the interested public."

With twenty-nine in attendance, the Charleston County Library sent a record-breaking number of staff members to the SCLA Annual Conference this year. Of special mention was a poster session presented by Annette Blum from Technical Services. Her topic was "Hot Links: World Wide Web Sites That Are Linked Directly to Records in the Library's Database." The presentation featured demonstrations in CCPL's web-based catalog, along with a four-page handout, which is available from Annette via e-mail at blum@ccpl.org or by telephone at 803-727-6761.

With substantial completion of the new main building of the Charleston County Public Library, the building at 404 King Street was scheduled to close on February 8. The move to the new building was scheduled to begin on February 16.

On March 4, 87,000 volumes were delivered, and the process of logging them into the computer catalog and interfiling them with the current collection began. The opening date will be set after the final certificate of occupancy is issued; the target opening date is April 7.

The library staff will be assigned to busy branch locations to support additional patronage and to answer questions. The following services will be affected until the new building at 68 Calhoun Street is opened.

A system is being installed so that main library staff and services can be reached by phone at either the old or new building; a recorded message will inform callers about the moving schedule.

Patrons with reference needs will be directed temporarily to one of the branches.

Selected business reference services will be moved to the John L. Dart Branch, 1067 King Street, 29403; phone 803-722-7550; hours: Monday - Saturday, 10:00 - 6:00. The Dart Branch also will serve as a downtown pick-up point for reserves.

Books may be returned at any branch; book drops at 404 King Street were maintained until March 7; new book drops outside the new main building, 68 Calhoun Street, were installed after March 1; the building is not open.

For information about the moving schedule, the temporary location of services, and to locate branch facilities, phone Catherine Boykin, Public Relations Coordinator, at 803-727-6736.

# New SCLA Round Table Starts Listsery List

SMART, the System MAnagers Round Table of SCLA, is a newly formed group whose purpose is to promote information sharing among colleagues in South Carolina. You may designate SMART as one of your section/round table choices when you join SCLA or renew your membership.

The University of South Carolina has set up a listserv list called SMARTS-L. To join the list, send e-mail to LISTSERV@VM.SC.EDU. The text should say: SUBSCRIBE SMARTS-L [your first name] [your last name].

# **Job Hotline**

# including ads from the S.C. State Library's Electronic Bulletin Board System

REFERENCE/ELECTRONIC RESOURCES LI-**BRARIAN.** Mickel Library, Converse College. Service-oriented librarian needed to assist patrons, function as the reference department's resource person for electronic services, supervise the public services area as needed, teach BI sessions, perform database searches, and act as a collection-development liaison to specified academic departments. One nightshift per week and occasional weekend or substitute duty. Reports to the Coordinator of Public Services. ALA-accredited MLS required. Second master's degree, reference experience in an academic library, and working knowledge of library technology preferred. Familiarity with music collections a plus. Faculty status, TIAA-CREF, four weeks vacation. Submit letter of application, resume, and three references to Mark Collier, Chair of the Search Committee, Mickel Library, Converse College, 580 East Main Street, Spartanburg, SC 29302-0006. Position becomes available March 19, 1998. Applications accepted until position is filled. EOE. (Posted 3/9/98)

MONOGRAPHS CATALOGER, Clemson University Libraries invites applications for a librarian to catalog monographs, including microforms, Clemson University theses, and documents using OCLC and NOTIS. Working under the direction of the Head of Cataloging, the monographs cataloger also directs and monitors the progress of various cataloging projects, including a retrospective cataloging project for monographic microforms, and supervises and trains two full time employees (LC Copy Catalogers). QUALIFICATIONS: Required: ALA-accredited MLS. Minimum one year monographic cataloging experience. Knowledge of standard cataloging tools such as AACR2r, OCLC, US-MARC, and LCSH. Cataloging facility in one non-English language. Demonstrated dependability, flexibility, and excellent time management skills in previous jobs. Ability to work successfully in a group environment and to establish and maintain effective working relationships at all levels. Preferred: Experience with: project management; office or cataloging usage of microcomputers; supervision of personnel; use of the Internet for research and/or cataloging; and/or an online integrated catalog environment. SALARY AND BENE-FITS: \$27,000 minimum. Negotiable, depending upon

qualifications. Faculty status, 12-month tenure track position; SC or TIAA-CREF and other retirement plans; various medical and dental plans; 18 days annual leave; 15 days sick leave; 12 paid holidays; and liberal professional development leave. The university offers up to four credit hours tuition-free to employees per semester. LIBRARY: Clemson University Libraries has a staff of 30 librarians and 68 support staff. Clemson has been using OCLC for cataloging since 1977 and NOTIS for our online catalog since 1984. The Catalog Unit consists of five professionals and eight support staff and is strongly service-oriented. The Libraries are fully networked, linking employees with electronic mail, the campus network, and the Internet. For more information about the Libraries, see http://www.lib.clemson.edu. CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY: Clemson University, South Carolina's land grant institution, has approximately 17,000 students and is located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, 30 miles from Greenville, SC and within 2 hours driving time of Charlotte, NC and Atlanta, GA. For more information about Clemson, see http://www.clemson.edu/.APPLICATION PRO-CESS: Send a letter of application with resume and the names, addresses, and three letters of reference to Ms. Lisa Bodenheimer, Chair, Monographs Cataloger Search Committee, R.M. Cooper Library, Box 343001, Clemson University, Clemson, SC 29634-3001. Phone (864) 656-5171; FAX (864) 656-3025. Applications must be submitted in hard copy. Applications received by May 1, 1998, will be given first consideration. It is anticipated that interviews will begin in June. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER.

**DIRECTOR.** Saluda County Library. Immediate opening in developing rural library system located in the heart of one of the state's largest peach growing areas. Excellent opportunity to gain experience in public lib admin & pr. Less than hour's drive from Augusta and Columbia. County library hq, located in county seat, Saluda, serves county population of 16,357. \$108,700 total budget for FY98; approx. 15,000 books & other. Requirements: ALA-accredited MLS'ers with min of one year's prof exp, preferably in a public library, to be given priority altho applications will also be accepted from beginning librarians. Must be eligible for prof certif from SC State Library and have driver's license. Salary: \$25,000 & all the peaches you can eat plus other good benefits! Send cover letter; resume; & names, addresses, & ph #'s of 3 refs to Patti Mitchell, Chair, Saluda County Library Board, c/o Saluda County LiContinued from previous page

brary, 101 South Main Street, Saluda, SC 29138. First consideration will be given to appls received by APRIL 30; others, until position is filled. An EO/AA/ADA Employer. (Posted 2/23/98)

LIBRARIAN V, COLLECTION MANAGEMENT **SUPERVISOR.** Greenville County Library, \$38,180. Available: March, 1998. Schedule involves some evening and weekend work. Extensive knowledge of library and information science principles; methods for communicating in oral, written and electronic forms; and public library collection development concepts and procedures. Considerable knowledge of administrative and supervisory theories, methods & skills including effective time management for self and others; policies and laws governing public library operations; personnel practices and techniques; the functions of a Technical Services Division; the functioning of various business and/or library oriented computer programs; various bibliographic resource tools, electronic databases; and a wide range of classical, standard and contemporary books, periodicals, and government documents for library patrons of all ages. Thorough knowledge of business math; various LC MARC formats and other implementation in one or more national databases and the Library's local database; the Dewey Decimal classification system; current rules for descriptive cataloging and filing of bibliographic records; current authority control usage; and at least one foreign language. General knowledge of the operation and services of bibliographic utilities; out-sourcing options for technical services functions; and computer, networking, and telecommunications concepts and terminology. Masters degree in Library Science from an ALA-accredited college or university, and five (5) years of progressive professional experience, including experience in one or more areas of collection development, and considerable supervisory experience. Must be able to communicate effectively in oral, written and electronic forms. Certified or eligible for certification as a professional librarian as required by the SC State Library. Send resume and references to Carolyn Gilreath, Greenville County Library, 300 College Street, Greenville SC 29601. 864-242-5000, ext. 230. (Posted 2/23/98)

LIBRARIAN I, Greenville County Library (2 positions -- 1 for the Sarah Dobey Jones Library of Berea; 1 for Hendricks Branch of Simpsonville). Salary: \$25,616. Available March 1998. Schedule involves some evening and weekend work. Considerable knowledge of the functions of general reference, including general knowledge of the major fields of learning; ability to use and

explain the use of catalogs, guides and other library tools; to work with on-line computer systems; to establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates and library patrons; to maintain complex records and prepare reports. Considerable knowledge of methods for communicating concepts, general information, and task-oriented information in oral, written and electronic forms. Good knowledge of library and information science principles and functions, and of business math. Good knowledge of computer software, concepts and terminology; good knowledge of a broad range of subject fields. ALA-accredited master's degree in Library Science with course work or experience emphasizing reference service and research. Some previous work with the public is desirable. Send resume and reference to: Carolyn Gilreath, Personnel Specialist, Greenville County Library, 300 College Street, Greenville, SC 29601. (864) 242-5000 x 230; FAX (864) 235-8375. (Posted 2/17/98)

**DIRECTOR.** Saluda County Library. Full time position. Responsibilities include grant writing; supervising, planning, administering all activities. Applicant should possess the ability to interact with the staff, library board, public officials, and the community. MLS degree from ALA accredited program required with experience preferred. Send cover letter with resume and three professional references to: Patricia Mitchell, Saluda County Library, 101 South Main Street, Saluda, SC 29138. Open until filled. No phone calls. (Posted 2/9/98)

**ACQUISITIONS LIBRARIAN.** The Citadel, Daniel Library. Required: ALA-accredited MLS. Preferred: Work experience with acquisitions. Responsibilities: Acquisitions manager for serials, monographs, electronic, and av: collection development including working with faculty representatives to select materials in support of a college curriculum; fiscal accounting for the collection budget. Knowledge of electronic resources and services desired. The Library has an approval plan with Blackwell North American. Serial subscriptions are with EBSCO. Reference work as well as evening or weekend schedule expected. Position reports to the Library Director. Supervises a full-time LTA. Salary \$25,000 minimum. Appointment Rank: Assistant Professor (12-month tenure track faculty position). Applications to: Angie LeClercq, The Citadel, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, S.C. 29409. The Citadel is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Deadline: April 5,

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TEMPORARY REFERENCE LIBRARIAN/

CLASSROOM COORDINATOR The Thomas Cooper Library seeks a temporary reference librarian who will manage a multimedia classroom and provide information service in the humanities and social sciences at the main reference desk. Required qualifications: Master's degree in library and information science, instruction experience, familiarity with instruction equipment and a variety of computer software packages. Send resume and cover letter to Virginia W. Weathers, Reference Department, Thomas Cooper Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208. USC is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer. (Posted 2/9/98)

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LIBRARIAN VI, COORDINATOR, CHILDREN'S

SERVICES DIVISION, Greenville County Library. Salary: \$40,467. Available: February 1998, Schedule involves some evening and weekend work. Under limited supervision by the Library Director, this position is responsible for the administration, supervision, and effective operation of the Children's Services Division of the Greenville County Library, which includes the Children's Room in the Main Library, children's services in the Extension Division, special projects for children, and the coordination and training of volunteers for children's services. Work related to the provision of public library services for children is performed with a high degree of independent judgment and initiative within a framework of established policies. Extensive knowledge of library principles, functions, policies, procedures and terminology; of administrative and supervisory theories, methods and skills, including effective time management for self and others; of methods for communicating concepts, general information and task oriented information in oral, written and electronic forms; and of the functions of the Children's Services Division, including

the interactions of multiple units within and without the Division. Considerable knowledge of standards, policies, and regulations governing public library operations; of personnel practices and techniques, including interpersonal skills; of the various bibliographic resource tools, electronic databases, reviewing media, reference and readers' advisory tools related to children's materials; of a very wide range of classical, standard and contemporary children's books, and audiovisual materials for children, parents, and other adults working with children; of the Library of Congress classification system; of current circulation operations; of computer equipment as it relates to the Children's Room; and of Library programming for children. Thorough knowledge of business mathematics; of the operation and current trends in and related to providing children's library services. General knowledge of computer software and networking for libraries, and of bibliographic utilities; of computer and telecommunications concepts and terminology. Master's degree in Library Science from an ALA-accredited college of university, and six (6) years of progressive professional experience including considerable supervisory experience, or an equivalent combination of the above. Must be able to communicate effectively in oral, written and electronic forms. Certified or eligible for certification as required by the SC State Library. Must be qualified for or possess a valid SC Driver's License and have a safe driving record. Apply at you local Job Service. For further information contact: Carolyn Gilreath, Greenville County Library, (864) 242-5000 ext. 230. (Posted 2/9/98)

CATALOGER. Georgetown County Library System, Georgetown, S.C. Salary: Starting Range, \$20,747 -\$24,897, depending on experience and qualifications; excellent benefits and living conditions in a beautiful and historic coastal town located within an hour's drive from both Myrtle Beach and Charleston. Qualifications: ALA/MLS; cataloging experience preferred. Duties: Reports to the public library director; has responsibility for cataloging and related duties; uses Galaxy Integrated Library System by Gaylord; serves as a member of the library's Technology Team; does some public-service work, including an evening each week and some weekends in a good, modern facility. Available: Immediately. Apply by: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To Apply: Send letter of application, resume and the names and addresses of 3 references to Mr. Gregory L. Troutman, Personnel Director, Georgetown County, Post Office Drawer 1270, Georgetown, S.C. 29442. For Additional Information: Contact Library Director Dwight McInvaill at (803) 546-2521 or e-mail gcldirector@infoave.net. (Posted 2/9/98)

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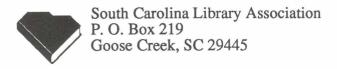
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