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RAUCOUS HUMOR AND TABOO NOVELS AT A LIBRARY CONFERENCE?!

By Marilyn Tsirigotis, SCLA VP, President Elect

Professional storyteller Beth Horner will be the keynote speaker for the Opening General Session of the SCLA annual conference on October 22, 2003 at 3:30 pm. Her "Tales of Raucous Humor and Taboo Novels" is sure to be a treat for everyone. She is noted as a vivacious talent whose goals as a storyteller are to entertain, educate, and empower. Beth Horner is a former librarian and instructor of creative dramatics and is thrilled to perform for the library association. "I look forward to performing at the South Carolina Library Association because libraries are vital to society (and... librarians know how to have good time!). Storytelling is a powerful form of communication and I feel honored to be part of both professions." Among her recordings is her ever popular *Encounter with a Romance Novel* about which one reviewer wrote: "Horner's timing and delivery are so moving and funny that her performance is akin to great stand-up comedy." Folks, I listened to this recording in my office and I am sure my staff wondered what was wrong with me since I was laughing hysterically! This will be a part of her keynote address. Beth has performed all over the United States and is active in the current revival of storytelling having served six years on the Board of Directors of the National Storytelling Association. Beth Horner resides in the Chicago area but her roots are in Missouri. She spent her summers in the Missouri Ozarks with a grandmother who told her fairy tales memorized from library books, a mother who read poetry and novels to her, and a father who recounted the actions of notable ancestors (of both good and questionable repute!). Beth's stories, songs and style reflect the richness of these roots. Don't miss this exciting event! ■

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New Library Facilities in South Carolina—A Work in Progress

Compiled by Dr. Curtis Rogers, SCLA Editorial Chair

New College of Charleston Marlene and Nathan Addlestone Library — The building should be complete next spring, and it will be spectacular. Now that the framing is in place and the windows are installed, there is a true sense of the grand spaces and interior layout. The columns around the three-story rotunda will glow with a warm cherry wood paneling. The electronic reading room is a lofty two-story space where students can log onto 130 computers. There are 20 study rooms where small groups can work together. With wireless access to the Internet, students can log on from anywhere in the building or

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ASERL Launches Shared Chat Reference Service Linking Users to Staff at By 10 ASERL Libraries

Contact: John Burger jburger@solinet.net

On July 1st, the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL) officially launched development the first phase of a unique cooperative virtual reference service, the first of its kind in the country. When the system goes live in January 2004, it will be the first chat Web-based reference service supported by research library staff across a region of the country.

"This is an exciting time for ASERL, and one of our most ambitious projects ever," commented John Ulmschneider, University Librarian at Virginia Commonwealth University and chair of ASERL's project development Virtual Reference team. "It builds on a successful history of pioneering ASERL projects, from the founding of SOLINET to the innovative Kudzu interlibrary loan network. We're thrilled to have ASERL undertake this ground-breaking initiative in this emerging field of library practice."

Participating libraries include College of William & Mary (Williamsburg, VA), Florida State University (Tallahassee), University of Alabama (Tuscaloosa), University of Central Florida (Orlando), University of Kentucky (Lexington), University of Louisville (KY), University of Memphis (TN), University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Virginia Commonwealth University (Richmond), and Wake Forest University (Winston-Salem, NC).

"We are fortunate to have such a great group of research libraries collaborating in this innovative effort," commented Derrie Perez, ASERL Board President and Interim Dean of Libraries at the University of South Florida. "These ASERL members participants bring a broad array of expertise and experience, offering a wonderful opportunity for our students, faculty, and scholars to interact with great libraries across the region."

ASERL's cooperative virtual reference system The new system will allow ASERL library pa-

trons to use chat software to get reference help from research library experts, seven days a week, 12 hours a day, with service hours added if there is demand. "We examined the usage levels of existing 24/7 online services – which are low – and decided to start with 12/7 initially," commented Ulmschneider. "We can always add hours to the service in the future if there's a demand for it."

ASERL's cooperative virtual reference system will use OCLC's QuestionPoint software, selected after a study of 10 similar packages. "We're pleased ASERL has selected QuestionPoint to be the backbone of their new service. We look forward to working with ASERL to get the project launched and showcase the capabilities of QuestionPoint," commented Frank Hermes, OCLC's Vice President for Cooperative Discovery Services.



Founded in 1956, ASERL is the largest regional academic library cooperative in the country, with 37 research libraries and six state libraries. ASERL played a key role in founding the Southeastern Library Network (SOLINET) and established SOLINET's database licensing program. In recent years, ASERL launched a shared catalog system, published competency guidelines for research librarians, and provides delivery services for interlibrary loan materials. For information about ASERL's ongoing programs, please visit www.aserl.org.

OCLC Online Computer Library Center is a non-profit computer library service and research organization dedicated to furthering access to the world's information and reducing information costs to more than 43,000 libraries in 86 countries and territories. OCLC member libraries cooperatively produce and maintain the world's largest and richest database of bibliographic information. OCLC also publishes the widely used

Dewey Decimal Classification system. For more information, visit www.oclc.org. OCLC Online Computer Library Center is a nonprofit organization that provides computer-based cataloging, reference, resource sharing, and preservation services to 38,000 libraries in 76 countries and territories. OCLC was founded in 1967 to improve access to the world's information and at

reduced information costs, and conducts ongoing research to develop technologies to support that mission. More information about OCLC and OCLC regional service partners is available on the Web <<http://www.oclc.org/>> ■

Winthrop's Dacus Library Media Services Digitization Project

Contact Mark Herring ~ 803-323-2236

ROCK HILL, S.C. - More than 25,000 photographs, maps and postcards will be available to Winthrop's Dacus Library patrons over the next few months as staff members and students make the pictures available online.

"Most of these items are from collections that haven't been seen until now," said Mark Herring, dean of the Dacus Library at Winthrop University. "Because we have such a small archives staff, we couldn't provide a lot of public access, and people had to know what they were looking for."

Herring expects there will be much interest in this new online service from researchers, genealogists and historians.

Winthrop's archives are filled with materials relating to the Catawba Indians, pre- and post-Civil War photographs and women's history in Southern states. It also has nearly 200 glass photo plates of Rock Hill and York County dating back to the 1800s from one of the country's earliest commercial photographers, John R. Schorb of Yorkville, now York. Two grants from the Lutz Foundation of Chester for \$5,000 and for \$12,000 and a \$4,051 grant from the Knapp Foundation of St. Michaels, Md., supplied much of the money needed for equipment purchases. The grant money purchased computer memory, a high quality scanner and Millennium Media Management software, which totaled more than \$25,000. While the equipment allowed for the actual digitization of the images,

the software allows for their display in the library's online catalog. The two features together provide cutting edge technology in the area of archival digitization and display. Digitization will help save an image of the documents, many of which are on wood pulp paper and have a limited life, Herring said. Also, digitization is superior to microfilm, he said, not only because it replicates a copy with finer detail, but also because it makes its reproduction immediately available to anyone online who has a Java browser.

Dacus Library started the digitization project in 2000 and will finish around 2005 or 2006. Already, part of the Schorb collection and historic photographs of Winthrop buildings are online.

With this digitization equipment purchase, Dacus Library joins the ranks of the premier archives collections in the country. To date, only 116 libraries in North America have the capability to digitize and then display thumbnails on their online catalogs.

There will be a cost to download the photographs for use in publications. For more information about costs and use of Archives and Special Collections, contact Gina White, archives director, at 803-323-2334. To access the web site, go to <<http://library.winthrop.edu/screens/opacmenu.html>> Once there, look for "digitized collections" in the right column. This will return four listings, each of which have several dozen images that can be viewed ■

"10 Reasons Why the Internet is No Substitute for a Library"

(American Libraries, April, 2001) has been turned into a 4-color, 22" x 36" poster (ALA "READ" size poster) and is available for \$10 each (this includes shipping and handling). Bulk orders are available on request and begin at 21 or more orders. If interested, please respond to meeksb@winthrop.edu. Check or money order is acceptable and should be made out to the Winthrop University Foundation. (You may also send a purchase order, or a bill can be sent to you.) They should be mailed to Winthrop University, Dacus Library, Attn: MY Herring, Rock Hill, SC, 29733 ■

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WHY THE INTERNET
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ASERL, SOLINET, and HBCU Library Alliance Co-Host National Diversity Conference to Focus on Library Staffing, Collections

The fourth National Diversity in Libraries Conference will be May 4 and 5, 2004, in Midtown Atlanta. This conference is co-sponsored by the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL), the Southeastern Library Network (SOLINET), the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Library Alliance, and the Association of Research Libraries (ARL), and will serve as a pre-conference for SOLINET's 2004 Annual Conference.

The 2004 Diversity Conference will feature speakers and discussions designed to foster improved diversity within a broad range of libraries, including large research libraries, small and mid-sized college libraries, and public libraries. The agenda will examine two main issues: how to promote diversity among library staffing, and how to develop collections that reflect the experiences of a diverse community.

"By focusing on real-world examples, we'll give participants the tools they will

need to implement new diversity programs at their own institutions," said Derrie Perez, ASERL's Board President and Interim Dean of the University of South Florida Library System. "This is especially relevant because finding qualified librarians and staff to fill open positions is difficult due to dropping enrollments at library schools across the country."

"This conference is a good opportunity for librarians to learn more about issues that are

"Posters of the Great War"

The University of South Carolina's Thomas Cooper Library and McKissick Museum are sponsoring an exhibit entitled "Posters of the Great War" September 21-December 7, 2003. The posters, which are from the Library's Joseph M. Brucoli Collection, represent most of the conflict's combatants: the United States, England, France, Italy, and Germany. Museum hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, Thursdays until 7 p.m., and Sundays 1-5 p.m.

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at the front of their minds,” commented Kate Nevins, SOLINET Executive Director. “I’m pleased these four groups are coming together to provide leadership on the issues of fostering diversity in library staffing and collections.”

Loretta O’Brien-Parham, Steering Committee Chair for the HBCU Library Alliance and Director of Libraries at Hampton University, remarked, “By focusing on recruiting qualified librarians from diverse backgrounds and strengthening collections, this conference dovetails beautifully with the Alliance’s goal of strengthening libraries at Historically Black Colleges and Universities.”

More information about the conference

can be found at www.librarydiversity.org.

Founded in 1956, ASERL is the largest regional academic library cooperative in the country, with 37 research libraries and six state libraries. SOLINET is a nonprofit membership organization established in 1973 serving more than 2,300 libraries of all types in 10 Southeastern states and the Caribbean. The HBCU Library Alliance was formed in October 2002 to help strengthen libraries at these institutions because of their unique role in the education of minority students and in preserving African-American history. Contact: John Burger jburger@solinet.net ■

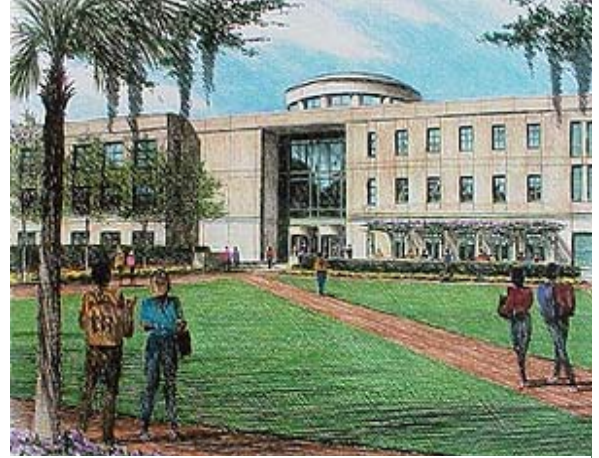
...**MORE LIBRARY EXHIBITS**

The **Greenville County Library System** has been selected to host the ***“Elizabeth I: Ruler and Legend” traveling exhibit*** April 28 through June 11, 2004. Featuring six panels, the exhibit covers Elizabeth’s life, career as head of state and the political workings of her court. The exhibit will tour the United States from October 2003 through March 2006, visiting 40 libraries. “Elizabeth I: Ruler and Legend” is funded through the National Endowment for the Humanities and was developed by the American Library Association and the Newberry Library of Chicago. Contact: April A. Morris, Communications Coordinator, Greenville County Library System, 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC 29601. (864) 242-5000, ext. 3010. aprilmorris@infoave.net ■

An exhibition commemorating the ***40th anniversary of the integration of the University of South Carolina*** will be on display in the South Caroliniana Library September 2-30. The exhibit is entitled “I-Day: September 11, 1963” and will feature original materials documenting earlier efforts at integration, the University’s preparations for peaceful desegregation, reactions from the University community, and photographs from the day African-American students registered at Carolina for the first time since Reconstruction. Materials are drawn from the collections of the South Caroliniana Library including the Records of the President of the University and the Donald S. Russell papers. Contact Elizabeth West at 803-777-5158 for more information ■

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from the spacious park. The tables and study carrels will be crafted from cherry wood – they are designed as classic pieces that should withstand many decades of use. Students and faculty will find three types of chairs – ergonomic seats while they work at computers, traditional wooden library seats and comfortable lounge seats near the current periodicals and around the rotunda. There will be seating for 1,500 students, faculty and visitors and capacity for 1,000,000 volumes. The Park will extend from the south side of the Streets. There will be large expanses of green space and large shade trees around the perimeter of the park dotted with benches and tables. It is expected that the multi purpose space will be in great demand for informal gatherings and a wonderful site for major College events. Photographs of the ongoing library construction as well as models and floor plans are accessible at: <http://www.cofc.edu/~library/addlestone/index.html>. *Information provided by Jared Seay and Claire Fund, College of Charleston Library.*



The Marlene and Nathan Addlestone Library—College of Charleston



The Medford Library—USC Lancaster

Medford Library Expansion, USC Lancaster — The University of South Carolina at Lancaster held a groundbreaking on Friday, August 24, for a \$4 million Medford Library expansion to add 24,000 square feet for library collections and technology. The program included remarks by Mr. Billy Boan, Chief of Staff for Governor Jim Hodges, Mr. James Bradley, member, USC Board of Trustees, and other representatives of the University of South Carolina. The public joined USCL students, faculty, and staff for the occasion. “This new library space,” said Shari Eliades, director of the Medford Library, “provides another dimension to the academic life of our campus. It will serve as a place where students can study and conduct research, where the newest information technology will be available, where traditional materials can and will be preserved, and where the faculty

and community can avail themselves of the University’s resources.”

The addition of 24,000 square feet is expected to double the library's functional space. The additional space will be used for the following purposes: group study rooms; the library's online catalog and databases; reserve reading room; offices; a library instruction lab; quiet reading room; collections; and general seating. Once the addition has been completed, the existing Medford Building will be scheduled for renovation, providing space for a gallery, a café, distance learning classrooms, computer classrooms, and additional space for library collections. Construction of the addition began in August 2001, with completion in the spring of 2003. Clark Nexsen of Charlotte, NC was the architectural firm; Eastern Summit Construction Co., Inc., of Charlotte, NC was the primary contractor. *Information provided by Shari Eliades, Director. seliades@gwm.sc.edu.*

The new Pickens County Headquarters Library has been a dream for many years but is now becoming reality. Construction will start October 2003 and take approximately 15 months to complete. In designing the new building we wanted this space to reflect warmth and a community feeling. We wanted to have enough space for the many activities that are now happening in a library and we wanted to have

the ability to adjust to the demands that the future will bring. We also wanted to design around a magnificent stand of mature trees and to save many of them as a park area.

Taking these thoughts into account, the additional 12,000 s.f. expansion will increase the total space to 63,000 s.f. Our new headquarters will be 51,000 heated s.f. The library exterior is very traditional enabling it to blend into the residential area next to it. The first floor is our active floor. As patrons walk into the library they can easily fan out to the specific area they are interested in visiting, (children's, adult fiction, audio video, large type, the historic room or our computer lab). Also on the first floor, our coffee shop will enhance the welcoming atmosphere of the Library. The Children's Reference desk and the Readers' Advisor Desk will be located on the first floor to help our patrons find what they need. The second floor will be the research and study area for the library. Also on the second floor will be the Internet computers and the small and large study rooms. All of these specialized areas will be easily served from the Reference Desk. We will have study rooms on both floors for group study, tutoring or involved research. Complementing these rooms will be a large meeting room on the first floor that will seat 90 and a conference room on the second floor which will seat 12. The building itself is located on 9 acres of wooded property. A large grove of trees that are over 100 years old will be preserved for a park area. This is an exciting time for us. *Information provided by Marguerite D. Keenan, Director, Pickens County Library System margueritek@pickens.lib.sc.us.*



Pickens County Headquarters Library—Easley

The Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation Library of Florence County is presently under construction on Dargan Street. This impressive limestone structure was made possible due to a generous ten million dollar grant from the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation and a seven million dollar bond ordinance from Florence County. When finished, the 82,000 neo-classical style building will be the largest per capita public library in South Carolina. The children's room in the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation Library will be one of the largest children's rooms of any public library in South Carolina. Seventy-five public Internet stations will permit patrons to do research with little or no waiting. A 25-seat technology lab for training purposes will be available for use by distance education classes. The South Carolina Room will contain a climate-controlled vault. The library will also boast a state-of-the-art 250 seat meeting room. Five study rooms, with two large enough for 10-12 people will be available for use by patrons. Memorabilia from The Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation will be featured in a permanent display. Ample parking with 272 spaces will be available for patrons. Security for materials, patrons, and staff will be enhanced with



Drs. Bruce & Lee Foundation Library—Florence

closed circuit television monitoring and strategically placed cameras. *Information provided by Bill McRee, Florence County Library, bmccree@dns.florencelibrary.org. ■*

Chrissy Booth of USC Library School Recognized



At its Aug 21st meeting, the SCLA Board took time out to acknowledge the contributions of Chrissy Booth, Director of Development for the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies at the University of South Carolina. SCLA President, Tom Gilson and Joyce Durant, Chairwoman of the Scholarship for Diversity Committee, presented Mrs. Booth with a Certificate of Appreciation recognizing "her unceasing efforts in assisting the South Carolina Library Association to create its Scholarship for Diversity in Librarianship," and expressing the Association's "gratitude for her hard work and dedication."

As many SCLA members know, Mrs. Booth was a driving force and a guiding spirit in developing and implementing the SCLA Scholarship for Diversity in Librarianship. Her energy and enthusiasm were major factors in making the SCLA Scholarship for Diversity in Librarianship the fastest growing scholarship in the history of the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies.



Sadly for South Carolina, Mrs. Booth is leaving the state to move to Benton, Kentucky where her husband has found a new position. Her last day at the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies will be September 19th. Ellen Shuler has been named Mrs. Booth's successor. She is a graduate of the University of South Carolina's School of Information and Library Studies. Ms. Shuler begins her duties on September 8th ■

SOLINET AND HBCU LIBRARY ALLIANCE COLLABORATE WITH GRANT FROM THE ANDREW W. MELLON FOUNDATION

SOLINET and the HBCU Library Alliance received a \$160,000 grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation for a collaborative project to assess needs and develop a program to increase the effectiveness and visibility of libraries at the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The 12-month project will promote the role of the librarian on each campus and advocate for total integration of libraries into campus programs for teaching and learning.

With the support of The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and SOLINET, the HBCU Library Alliance will identify what it means for a library at an HBCU to be integrated into teaching and learning processes and determine what HBCU libraries need to be able to do this effectively; gather input from the HBCU community and the academic library community about the role of the library in teaching and learning; and develop an educational program that will improve the skills, knowledge, and ability of HBCU librarians to enable them to integrate their libraries more effectively into their institutions' teaching and learning missions.

HBCU libraries serve as unique and indispensable gatekeepers for history, culture, and the African-American experience. Created by the deans and directors of these libraries after an historic meeting in October 2002, the Alliance seeks to ensure excellence in HBCU libraries through the development, coordination, and promotion of programs and activities to enhance members' collections and services. Current Steering Committee members are Loretta O'Brien-Parham, Director of the Harvey Library at Hampton University, VA; Janice Franklin, Director of the Library and Learning Resource Center at Alabama State University; Tommy Holton, Dean of Libraries at Dillard University, LA; Emma Bradford Perry, Dean of Libraries at Southern University and A&M College, LA; and Elsie Stephens Weatherington, Dean of Library and Technology Services at Virginia State University.

Founded in 1973, SOLINET is a non-profit membership organization serving more than 2300 libraries of all types and sizes in ten Southeastern states and the Caribbean. SOLINET offers Member Services, OCLC Services, Preservation & Access Services, Electronic Databases, Library Products, Workshops, and Consulting. Contact: Kate Nevins, extension 4906 or <knevins@solinet.net> ■

Shuping Heads Officer Slate for 2004

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the slate of candidates for the six executive officer vacancies on the SCLA Executive Board for 2004. Several positions involve multi-year terms. In the long tradition of SCLA, the candidates come from libraries all over South Carolina and represent many different disciplines of librarianship and information services.

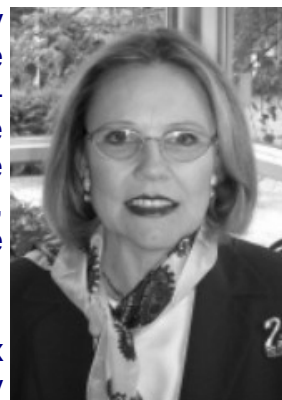
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2003 1st Vice President **Marilyn Tsirigotis**, the Harvin Clarendon County Library in Manning, will serve as the 2004 President of SCLA. Current President Tom Gilson, the College of Charleston, will continue on the Executive Board as past president and nominating chair.

Elizabeth Shuping, youth services coordinator for Horry County Memorial Library, is the candidate for 1st Vice President/President-Elect. In addition to directing the planning of SCLA's 2004 annual conference in Greenville, the 1st VP will also serve as SCLA president in 2005 and serve in 2006 as past president and nominating chair. If elected,

Elizabeth would be one of the few youth services specialists to ever fill these roles in SCLA.



Elizabeth has worked as Horry County Library youth services coordinator for six years. Prior to that, she was youth services coordinator at the Florence County Library. Elizabeth holds a B.S. in anthropology from Western Carolina and an M.L. degree from Davis College at the University of South Carolina. She has served as SCLA Youth Services Section chair twice and as a member of the SCLA Editorial Committee. She is also a member of ALA, PLA and YALSA, where she served on the Genre Committee for Young Adults. Elizabeth is a frequent workshop presenter.



Joyce Durant, acquisitions librarian at the James A. Rogers Library at Francis Marion University since 1988, is the candidate for 2nd Vice President Membership, which includes responsibility for directing the association's membership recruitment and retention programs.

Joyce has participated in panel discussions at BCALA, the Charleston Conference on Issues in Book and Serial Acquisitions, and at the 2002 Joint SELA/SCLA conference. She is a past secretary of SCLA, a past chair of the College and University Section, and a past chair of the Round Table for African American Concerns (RAAC). Joyce currently chairs the Scholarship for Diversity in

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Librarianship committee and serves as secretary for RAAC. She is also a member of the American Library Association, the Southeastern Library Association, and the Black Caucus of the American Library Association. Joyce earned her M.Ln. in Library Science from the University of South Carolina in 1988 and holds an undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Francis Marion (College) University.



Camille McCutcheon, coordinator of library instruction and an associate librarian in reference at USC Spartanburg, is the candidate for Treasurer, a two-year term. She holds a B.A. degree in English and Public Affairs from Columbia College and a Joint Master's Degree in English and Library and Information Science from USC. She served for two years as chair of the Bibliographic Instruction Interest Group of the SCLA Public Services Section. She was 2nd VP until she assumed the duties of the Co-Executive Secretary for one year. Most recently, she has served as SCLA Secretary during 2003.

Kathy Mitchell, collection development and special projects coordinator for the Beaufort County Library, is the candidate for Secretary. Kathy has worked with the Beaufort library for 15 years, starting out in Technical Services part time while finishing her M.L.S. and later full time as adult services librarian working on both the circulation and reference desks. She has served as an officer in SCLA's Public Library Section and the Library Administration Section.



Also, this year the Association will fill the two multi-year terms for representatives to the American Library Association (ALA) and the South Eastern Library Association (SELA). Norman Belk is the candidate for ALA Councilor, and incumbent Bill McRee is the SELA Representative candidate.



Norman Belk is presently a librarian at the Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities in Greenville and a library consultant. In June 2003 he retired from the Greenville County Library System after a distinguished 32-year career where he served as director of planning and development, interim executive director, coordinator of main library services, coordinator of community services, automation/acquisitions librarian, bookmobile and outreach librarian, reference librarian, and branch library head. He holds an M.L. in librarianship from the University of South Carolina (1975) and a B.A. from Furman University (1969). In 2001 he received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of South Carolina College of Library and Information Science. In 1994 he was named SCLA's Outstanding Librarian.

He served as president of SCLA in 2000, chair of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee in 1996-1998, and president of the Rotary Club of Greenville East in 2003-2004.

SELA Representative Candidate **Bill McRee** is a senior reference librarian at the Florence County Library. Previously, he served the Greenville County Library System as a reference librarian. Bill holds a bachelor's degree from Pfeiffer University and a MLS from UNC-Greensboro. A SELA member since 1987, he has served as chair of the Headquarters Liaison Committee and co-chair of the Local Arrange-



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ments Committee for the SCLA-SELA joint conference in 2002. He has also served SELA as Treasurer. Currently, in addition to being the South Carolina Representative to the SELA Board he serves on the exhibits committee. In addition to being the current South Carolina Representative to the SELA Board, Bill serves on the exhibits committee as well as the Archives and History Committee. In past years, Bill has served as chair of the Archives and Special Collections Roundtable and as secretary of the Public Services Section.

SCLA membership will vote on the officer slate at the SCLA Annual Business Meeting, Wednesday, October 22 at 5 p.m. Candidates may also be nominated from the floor, provided they have previously agreed to have their names placed in nomination.

Report submitted by Jeanette Bergeron, SCLA Nominating Chair ■

Happenings at USC Thomas Cooper Library

The University of South Carolina's Thomas Cooper Library has mounted a **new web-exhibit** on the history of computing. The exhibit is entitled *"Charles Babbage (1791-1871): the Calculating Engine in the South Carolina College Library."* The exhibit is accessible through the Rare Books home-page and at <http://www.sc.edu/library/spcoll/babbage/intro.html>. The exhibit was created by Dr. Patrick Scott, put in digital form by Zella Hilton, and edited for mounting by Amy Yarborough.

David C. McQuillan, map librarian at the University of South Carolina's Thomas Cooper Library, has been elected to his fourth two-year term as chair of the Geography and Map

Libraries Section of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA). He was elected at the World Library and Information Congress meetings in Berlin, Germany, on August 2, 2003. In his twelve years with IFLA, McQuillan has served three times as chair of the G&M Section, 1995-1997, 1997-1999, and 2001-2003. His current term will run from 2003-2005 and include planning meetings in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Oslo, Norway. For further information, contact: David C. McQuillan, Map Librarian, Thomas Cooper Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29201. Phone: (803) 777-4723, Fax: (803) 777-4661, E-mail: davidmcq@sc.edu ■



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DUN & BRADSTREET PUBLIC LIBRARIAN SUPPORT AWARD 2004

Are you or do you know a librarian providing excellent business reference services in a public library that needs financial assistance to attend the ALA Annual Conference? RUSA/BRASS Dun & Bradstreet Public Librarian Support Award Committee is looking for nominees for 2004 for this \$1000 award.

- Demonstrate interest in pursuing a career as a business librarian and have the potential to be a leader in the profession (MLS completion not required).
- Demonstrate commitment by involvement in special projects, creation of a business Web presence, outstanding services to the community, or publications.
- Demonstrate need for financial assistance to attend ALA Annual Conference.
- Be a member of RUSA/BRASS (or join, if chosen).

Send the committee hard-copy documentation appropriate to demonstrate outstanding service. This may include letter(s) of recommendation, testimonials, papers/publications, Web pages, and/or program publicity/descriptions.

Nominations and supporting documentation must be received **no later than December 1, 2003** to: Linda Dausch, Business/Science/Technology Division, Chicago Public Library, 400 South State Street, 3rd fl, Chicago, IL 60605. For more information see: <http://www.ala.org/rusa> and click on "Awards." This award is generously sponsored by Dun & Bradstreet. ■