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Greenville Literacy Association, was pleased to be involved in the planning of the video. "The strong visual effect of the video will help literacy providers convey library terminology and concepts that can be challenging to teach. This video provides a wonderful tool for helping students learn more about the library," Lusk commented.

The film is intended to be used in English as a second language classes and by a variety of agencies that interface with the international community to encourage library usage. The film, written by library staff and produced by Unusual Films of Greenville, is light in tone and broad in appeal. "It was surprising to discover that the concept of a public library is not universal," says Communications Manager, Trinity Behrends. "This was an amazing opportunity to introduce something that we as Americans take for granted."

While the film was created with the international community in mind, it has been produced with potential benefit to the elementary education sector as well. It will be offered to libraries and educational affiliates throughout the nation through the sale of DVDs.

For more information, contact the library's website at www.greenvillelib.org.

PEOPLE NEWS

ALABAMA

The DVD Guide Update Task Force of the Cataloging Policy Committee (CAPC) of the Online Audiovisual Catalogers (OLAC) national organization has completed the document, *Guide to Cataloging DVD* and Blu-ray Discs Using AACR2r and MARC 21 (2008 update). Marcia Barrett, University of Alabama, made extensive contributions as member of the DVD-Audio and DVD-Video sections of the Guide and as general editor of the document. Carolyn Walden, University of Alabama at Birmingham, served as Chair of the Task Force which included AV catalogers from selected universities in the U.S.

The updated guide, as described in the Introduction, provides "a general overview of DVD technology, includes a brief history, compares DVD with compact disc (CD) technology, and explores new developments in the optical disc arena and the impact of this technology on the consumer. Other sections discuss cataloging DVD-Video, Blu-ray Discs, DualDiscs, DVD-Audio, and DVD-ROM formats." There are numerous examples featuring descriptive cataloging practice and a list of resources for additional information.

The Task Force received reviews from the Cataloging Policy Committee of OLAC and then submitted the document for additional review to the larger cataloging community through the AUTOCAT and OLAC Listserv groups. The Guide is available on the OLAC website as <u>http://www.olacinc.org/drupal/capc_fil</u> es/DVD_guide_final.pdf. It is now a part of the resources on the Library of Congress *Cataloger's Desktop* and appears in selected blogs including the Illinois blog "Three Catalogers Walk

into a Blog: Resources to Help the

Cataloger Catalog" <u>http://3catalogers.wordpress.com/</u>.

FLORIDA

Bonnie A Tollefson, former Library Director for the Levy County Public Library System, Florida, recently completed the Certified Public Library Administrator Program from ALA. She is one of 12 librarians in the country holding the CPLA designation. She will be moving to Cleveland, TN in July.

KENTUCKY

University of Kentucky

Gail A. Kennedy, director of the Lucille Little Fine Arts Library at the University of Kentucky, has been elected vice-president/president-elect of the Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA) with more than 4,000 members.

Kennedy received a Master's in Library Science from the University of Kentucky in 1974 and has been a member of LLAMA for 19 years. Active in LLAMA's Buildings and Equipment Section (BES), Kennedy currently chairs the Interior Design Awards Committee and was a mentor for new librarians in LLAMA's mentoring program. She has also served on LLAMA's President's Program, the joint ACLR/LLAMA Interdivisional Committee on Building Resources, and chaired the Buildings and Equipment Section. The mission of the Library Leadership and Management Association, <u>www.ala.org/llama</u>, is to encourage and nurture current and future library leaders, and to develop and promote outstanding leadership and management practices. LLAMA is a division of the American Library Association.

Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives

The Kentucky Department for Library and Archives (KDLA) has experienced many staff changes over the last twelve months. Severe budget cuts have lead to the early retirement of many of its key employees. Three of these retirements had profound influence on public library staffs and trustees.

KDLA offers support to public libraries in Kentucky through the Field Services Division. Integral among these services are assistance with issues in collection development, research assistance, automation, outreach services vehicles, continuing education, facilities and construction, technology and children's services.

Judith Gibbons, Field Services Division Director left her position as Woodford County Public Library (Versailles, Kentucky) in 1998 to accept the KDLA position. Her appointment to this position guaranteed public libraries across the Commonwealth would continue to receive exceptional service.

After receiving an undergraduate degree from Pennsylvania State University, Judith obtained her Master's in Library Science from the University of Kentucky in 1978. A second Master's in Public Administration was awarded in 1994 from Kentucky State University.

Throughout her career she has been intensely involved with American Library Association (ALA) activities serving and chairing many committees, most notably chairing the ALA Public Awareness Committee and the ALA Advocacy Training Subcommittee and ALA Advocacy Institute. True to her passion for public awareness and library advocacy she was instrumental in creating a Public Awareness Institute for Kentucky with more than 40 librarians, library staff, and trustees completing the program.

Judith's commitment to Kentucky public libraries is evidenced through the many offices she held over the years. Among these are Southeastern Library Association President and numerous offices within the Kentucky Library Association and the Kentucky Public Library Association. She has been deeply involved with the Kentucky Book Fair for many years and written many articles for professional journals.

Fortunately, though she is retired, Judith remains active in ALA, KLA, and a citizen representative on the KPLA Legislative Committee.

Carol Baughman served as KDLA's

Children and Youth Services Consultant until her retirement last December. She received her undergraduate degree from Centre College and an MLS from Peabody College in Nashville. Upon graduation she served for one year as Picadome Elementary School Librarian. Upon leaving she was appointed public library director in Woodford Co. where she served from 1971-1975.

After leaving Woodford County, Carol served on the Paul Sawyier Public Library and Midway College Boards of Trustees. In 1989 Carol accepted the KDLA position where she set up the children's services consultancy. During her tenure the attendance of area summer reading programs increased from around 25,000 to 160,000 each year. Children across the state have benefited from her expertise and guidance. Likewise, public library staff devoted to children's services has more than quadruped in the last twenty years.

Carol served on the National Collaborative Summer Library Program and is highly respected nationally for her work. In 2000 she received the Kentucky Public Library Association's Outstanding Public Library Service Award.

Since retiring she has worked to reestablish the Friends of Kentucky Libraries and on the Board of Liberty Hall, an historic site in Frankfort continues to serve Board of Friends of Paul Sawyier which she was instrumental in creating.

Nelda Moore, former KDLA Regional Librarian, was born in Harlan, Kentucky. After receiving her undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky University and MLS from the University of Kentucky she began her career in school libraries in 1970-1971. Her first assignment was in the Jefferson County School System at Sally Phillips Durrett High School. After a few years she relocated to 1971-1978 Hopewell City Schools Hopewell, Virginia where she worked in the local school system. Upon returning to Kentucky she was appointed director of the 1978 Nelson County Public Library and in January, 1981 she began her duties as the Lincoln Trail Regional Librarian.

Nelda began the Kentucky Public Library Newsletter and worked extensively with public library trustees from the mid 1990s until her retirement. During her tenure she consulted with public library directors and boards on the construction or renovation of numerous library buildings and assisted Library Boards in the hiring of 32 library directors. She has presented many workshops on trustee development, library governance, and library management.

Nelda was awarded the Kentucky Public Library Association's Outstanding Public Library Service Award and the Kentucky Library Association's Intellectual Freedom Award in 2001.

She completed the Certified Public Manager Program from Kentucky State University in 1998. In addition to her service to public libraries Nelda served two terms on the American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky Board. She currently serves on the KLA Minority Scholarship Committee, The Bardstown-Nelson County Human Rights Commission, and has begun a consulting firm for public librarians, library staff, and trustees. Nelda spent her entire career with KDLA working in roughly the same region of the state, however, her skills have been enjoyed by libraries, librarians, and trustees across Kentucky. She has consulted, mentored, and advised many librarians and trustees. She assisted with the hiring of more than 30 directors and the appointment of dozens of trustees. For many, she has become the voice of authority and both directors and trustees have relied heavily on her for advice.

University of Louisville Libraries

Glenda Neely, Professor and Business Reference Librarian, retired July 1, 2009, after 38 years at the University of Louisville. A long-time member of SELA, she served as Treasurer of SELA, and has held numerous positions on other regional and state library association committees. She also served on numerous national committees, including the board of the **Business Reference and Services** Section of the American Library Association. She published articles in Southeastern Librarian, Journal of Business & Finance Librarianship, as well as other professional journals. She was active on University of Louisville committees, including the University of Louisville's Athletic Association Board of Directors.

Janardan Kulkari retired July 1, 2009, after 34 years at the University of Louisville. He began his employment as the Head of the Science Libraries. He worked in the Natural Sciences Library, and became the Assistant Director of the Laura Kersey Library of Engineering, Physical Sciences and Technology in 1984, when the two libraries merged. Following the closure of the Kersey Library in 2006, Jan became the Science/Engineering Reference Librarian in the Ekstrom Library. He served on a variety of professional association committees, including the Kentucky Library Association and the Coal Information Network of Kentucky.

Robert Detmering joined the University of Louisville in April 2009 as a Teaching and Reference Librarian in the Humanities. He worked previously as a graduate assistant in reference at Northern Kentucky University and as an English instructor at various institutions in the Cincinnati metro area.

LOUISIANA

Karen Cook's dissertation, "Freedom Libraries in the 1964 Mississippi Freedom Summer Project: A History," has won the Phyllis Dain Library History Award. Previously, it was recognized as The University of Alabama Outstanding Dissertation for 2008/2009.

The Phyllis Dain Library History Award, named in honor of a library historian widely known as a supportive advisor and mentor as well as a rigorous scholar and thinker, recognizes outstanding dissertations in the general area of library history. Five hundred dollars and a certificate are given for a work that embodies original research on a significant topic relating to the history of books, libraries, librarianship or information science. The biennial award is given in the odd numbered years. Dissertations completed and accepted during the preceding two academic years are eligible, e.g., dissertations from 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 competed for the 2001 award.

MISSISSIPPI

Patty Furr has been named Executive Director of the Hancock County Library System (HCLS). She replaces Acting Director Paul Eddy, who has taken a position as Director of the Beaumont, Texas, Public Library.

Furr comes to HCLS from William Carey University in Hattiesburg, where she served as Director of Libraries and Learning Resources for the past four years. Prior to that, she served as the Coordinator of Technical and Automation Services at HCLS from 2004 to 2005. During her time at HCLS, she was responsible for installing and implementing the new Horizon Integrated Library System and coauthored the library's new website, www.hancocklibraries.info. She also spent five years working in technical services at the Pearl River County Library System in Picayune.

Furr was Director of Libraries at William Carey when Hurricane Katrina struck in August, 2005 and was instrumental in the recovery of the two Carey libraries in Gulfport and New Orleans. She and her staff salvaged 8,000 books from the upper shelves at the Gulfport library and setup the first temporary library on the Coast in April of 2006. Furr was able to use publicity about the storm's losses to generate donations of over \$50,000 to purchase new computers and replacement books. She also authored several grants from the Andrew Mellon Foundation that brought in another \$45,000 to aid in the library system's recovery from the storm. During the past year Furr has also supervised the construction of a major addition to the Smith Rouse Library in Hattiesburg as well as working with the administration in the construction of a replacement library in the new Carey campus at Tradition north of Gulfport.

She holds a Masters of Library and Information Science (MLIS) from the University of Southern Mississippi and a Bachelor of Music Education from Florida State University. She completed the Mississippi Library Commission's Librarianship 101 Institute for Public Library Directors; Harvard University Graduate School of Education's Leadership Institute in Library Management, and Homeland Security Administration's Community Emergency Response Training.

Furr also completed the Southeastern Library Network (SOLINET) classes on Preservation of Library Materials, Dealing with Mold and Mildew in a Library Environment and Disaster Preparedness Training.

She is a member of Beta Phi Mu Library Honor Society; received the Mississippi Library Association's Peggy May Scholarship; the Award of Merit from the Mississippi Historical Society; and the Mississippi Municipal Association's "Making Mississippi Move" award. She is also a member of the Rotary Club of Petal, Mississippi, where she serves on the Board as the Literacy Chairperson. Her work as a Rotarian has enabled the City of Petal to become one of the first communities in Mississippi to host the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Project which provides a free library of 60 books to each newborn baby in the community. She has also worked with the Hattiesburg Area Development Partnership to develop the adult reading curriculum for the Festival of Swans project.



Furr is looking forward to the recovery work ahead as well. "I am absolutely delighted to be back in Hancock County, and I look forward to bringing my energy and experience to the important task of rebuilding the Hancock County Library System's facilities. Because the libraries are such an important factor to the quality of life here on the Coast and the long-term economic recovery of Hancock County, the staff and I will be moving 'fullspeed ahead' to bring back the awardwinning library facilities and services to the people of Hancock County."

NORTH CAROLINA

From American Libraries *Inside Scoop*: **Elonnie Junius (E.J.) Josey** died Friday, July 3, in Washington, North Carolina, at age 85. Mr. Josey was born January 20, 1924. By 1984 he had reached the pinnacle of his profession, becoming the second African-American president of the American Library Association (Clara Jones was the first. in 1976) after devoting his professional life to fighting the racism that permeated American society. Those of us who had the privilege of knowing E. J. knew him to be a fighter. Perhaps more than any other member of ALA, Josey represented that changes in the nation and the profession that occurred in the second half of the 20th century. One of the first and foremost African American library educators (University of Pittsburgh) and a trailblazer in Association leadership, he said in a 2000 interview, "I was born and grew up in the days of segregation in the kind of society that not only dehumanizes me as an African American, but dehumanized my family and all African Americans." But he also noted that "people who know me best will also say that I fought for all people who were disadvantaged, including minorities and women, not only in our profession but throughout the world." He organized the Black Caucus of the American Library Association in 1970, and in 2002 he was awarded Honorary Membership in ALA, the Association's highest honor.

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

The **Department of Library and Information Studies** and its sister departments in the School of Education at the **University of North Carolina at Greensboro** are pleased to welcome Dr. Clara M. Chu as Department Chair and Professor beginning in fall 2009. She has been a member of the faculty of the Department of Information Studies at the University of California, Los

Angeles since 1990 and an affiliated faculty member at the UCLA Department of Asian American Studies. She holds the MLS and Ph. D. from the University of Western Ontario. Having published, presented and consulted internationally in English and Spanish, she is a leading voice on multicultural library and information issues, and serves on the editorial boards of various information and Asian Pacific American journals, including The Journal of Education for Library and Information Science, Counterpoise, and Amerasia Journal. Professor Chu brings a strong commitment to social activism and to multicultural issues in information services, and an international perspective in library and information studies to the UNCG program.

Professor Chu's research examines the social construction of information systems, institutions, and access in order to understand the usage of and barriers to information in multicultural communities. Dr. Chu's research and her engagement in diversity in LIS education strengthen a major commitment of the UNCG program. As a Peruvian-born, Chinese Canadian American, she is personally familiar with the issues and sensitivities of international residents and cultural minorities.

Her exceptional record of national service to ALISE, the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association, the Chinese American Librarians Association, REFORMA, and internationally to IFLA brings a new dimension to the program. She has, additionally, been a major contributor to the ALA Ethnic and Multicultural Information Round Table and to ALA's Office for Literacy and Outreach Services as a member and chair of its Advisory Committee.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Jodi Berkowitz has been appointed Legacy Finding Aids Archivist in the University Library. In her position, Berkowitz will update legacy finding aids in the Southern Historical Collection in Wilson Library, in the Library's online catalog and in WorldCat. She previously served as technical services archivist in the Sallie Bingham Center for Women's History and Culture at Duke University. Berkowitz holds a B.A. from Columbia University in New York City and an M.S.L.S. from UNC.

Shauna Collier has been appointed librarian for the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History Library. In her position, Collier will develop and maintain the collection with particular focus on African American studies and the African diaspora. She will also direct public service initiatives, provide research services and work to improve outreach and instructional services. Previously, Collier served as branch librarian for the Smithsonian Institution Libraries' Anacostia Community Museum in Washington, D.C. Collier holds a B.A. from Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss., and an M.L.I.S. from the University of Alabama.

Michelle Cronquist has been appointed North Caroliniana Cataloger in the University Library. In her position, Cronquist will catalog materials in multiple formats primarily held by the North Carolina Collection. Previously, Cronquist served as agency cataloger at the State Library of North Carolina and music cataloger at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. She holds a B.A. in mathematics from Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., and an M.A. in musicology and an M.S.L.S. from UNC.

Christine Stachowicz has been appointed Head of E-Resources & Serials Management in the University Library. In her position, Stachowicz will manage the acquisition of and continued access to electronic resources and serials. She will also lead her department staff in planning the department's development. Previously, Stachowicz served as serials access librarian and catalog management librarian at UNC and as reference librarian and head of collection access at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va. She holds a B.S. from Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn., and an M.S.L.S. from UNC.

Stephen Brooks became Head of Monographic Services. Brooks will provide leadership of a newly designed department focused on the acquisition and cataloging of print and electronic monographs. He will oversee department activities, establish and maintain vendor/publisher relationships and participate in negotiation of electronic book licenses. Brooks previously served as the head of cquisitions and gifts at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. He holds an A.B. in English from UNC and an M.L.I.S. from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Eileen Heeran was appointed as Assistant Head of Technical Services and Head of Cataloging for the Louis **Round Wilson Special Collections** Library at UNC. She will help set library-wide standards, policies and priorities for special collections cataloging and will have direct responsibility for cataloging rare and specialized published materials. Heeran was previously assistant curator of rare books at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. She holds a B.A. in history from the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio and an M.L.S. from Simmons College in Boston, Mass.

Queens University of Charlotte

Dr. Carol Walter Jordan's dedication to community service locally and around the world is why her peers at the Rotary Club of Charlotte have dubbed her this year's Distinguished Rotarian. "It is a joy for me to help those less fortunate," said Jordan, Dorothy Colmer Bailey Librarian at Queens' Everett Library. "I see the difference such acts of service make in others' lives – how happy they are>'

Jordan's passion for causes that benefit children, healthcare and literacy led her to spearhead a number of service efforts this year, including The Dictionary Project. It provides dictionaries to third graders whose schools lack the funding to purchase them. Over the last several months, Jordan oversaw the delivery of dictionaries to 16 schools in CMS' Northeast Learning Community. (Read more about The Dictionary Project by visiting

http://www.dictionaryproject.org/.) Her selfless acts are not limited to Charlotte. Jordan has helped raise

money to bring medicine and pediatric beds to a hospital in Cape Town, South Africa. She also partnered with a Rotary Club in Kathmandu to supply computers and books to a Nepali school (see related article "Promoting Literacy Initiatives Abroad Through Rotary Partnerships" in The Southeastern Librarian v. 56, no 1, Spring 2008). Most recently, Jordan contacted her peers in Botswana to purchase bed nets for families at risk of contracting malaria. "These are wonderful opportunities for the Rotary Club and Queens to assist people in need," said Jordan.



She received this year's Rotary District 7680 Distinguished Rotarian Award at the group's annual conference in Myrtle Beach, S.C., on May 2. The honor is presented annually to a Rotarian who exemplifies "service above self" in his or her daily life as a member of both the club and the community. Queens University of Charlotte is a private, co-ed, Presbyterian-affiliated comprehensive university with a commitment to both liberal arts and professional studies. Located in the heart of historic Charlotte, Queens serves approximately 2,300 undergraduate and graduate students through its College of Arts and Sciences, the McColl School of Business, the Presbyterian School of Nursing, the Wayland H. Cato, Jr. School of Education, the School of Communication and Hayworth College for adult and evening programs.

Upcoming State Conferences:

Arkansas Library Association: Oct. 25-27 in Hot Springs. http://www.arlib.org/index.php

Kentucky Library Association: Sept. 30-Oct. 3 in Louisville. Theme: "In an Ever Changing World...Experience it @ Your Library <u>http://www.kylibasn.org/</u>

Mississippi Library Association: Oct. 20-23 in Hattiesburg. Theme: "Eco-Friendly Libraries: Greener for the New Century" <u>http://www.misslib.org/</u>

North Carolina Library Association: Oct. 6-9 in Greenville. Theme: "NC Libraries: Serving Knowledge...Serving You" <u>http://www.nclaonline.org/</u>

South Carolina Library Association: Oct. 28-30 in Columbia. Theme: "Diverse People and Exceptional Services". http://www.scla.org/index.php/AnnualConference2009/HomePage

Virginia Library Association: Oct. 29-30 in Williamsburg.

http://www.vla.org/demo/Conference/Index.html

West Virginia Library Association: Sept. 30-Oct. 2 in Snowshoe. Theme: http://www.wvla.org/

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