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GPO's Office of Public Relations would like to pass along the following information regarding the participation of Public Printer Bruce James in Southern Oregon University's Library Dedication Ceremony. As always, if you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you.

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SOU Hannon Library Sponsors Three Speakers

ASHLAND, Ore.-In honor of the dedication of the Lenn and Dixie Hannon Library, Southern Oregon University is sponsoring three workshop presentations on May 18 and 19 in the Meese Room (305) of SOU's Hannon Library. All workshops are free and open to the public.

Michael Gorman, Dean of Library Services at California State University, Fresno and the President-Elect of the American Library Association, will present "The Library of Today and Tomorrow" at 4:00 on Wednesday, May 18. Gorman will discuss the importance of libraries in contemporary society and the future of libraries in the age of the internet. A reception will precede the workshop at 3:30 p.m.

Two of the Hannon Library's chief architects from the Portland firm SRG Partnership, Kent Duffy and Skip Stanaway, will discuss "Library as Place" on Thursday, May 19 at 9:00 a.m. Duffy was Design Principal for SOU's Library Enhancement Project and was responsible for the concepts and architectural design of the Library. Stanaway served as Project Manager and had overall responsibility for the architectural side of the building project. Together they will discuss the philosophy behind the design for Hannon Library, particular issues that this project presented, how these issue were dealt with, and the challenges architects face in the design of educational and public buildings.

Bruce R. James, Public Printer of the United States, will present "The Future of Government Information" at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 19. James has been head of the federal Government Printing Office since 2002. The GPO is federal government's primary centralized resource for gathering, cataloging, producing, providing and preserving published information. Currently GPO has begun its transformation into a digital information processing facility and James will discuss the implications of this change for libraries and users of public information.

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