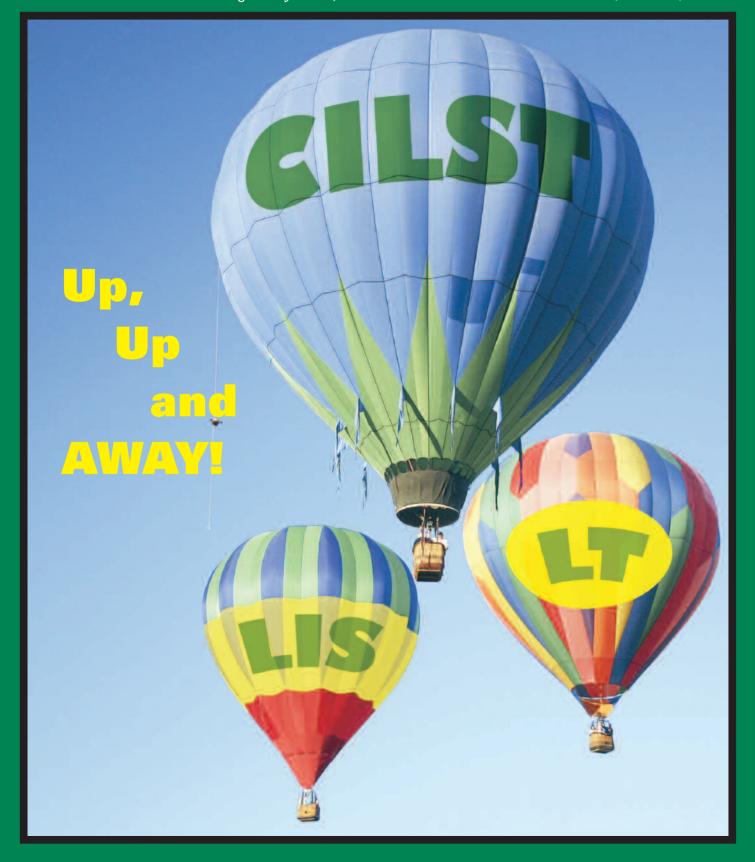


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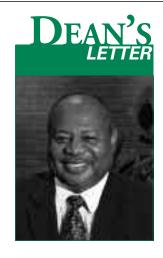
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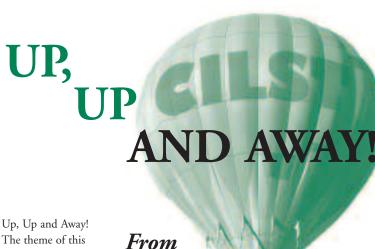
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School to

College

The theme of this

issue of Call Number exemplifies the elation we feel on achieving two historical milestones-moving up from a school to a college and moving away from the main campus to Discovery Park. In this column, I explain why and how the momentous transformation from school to college came about. More importantly, I explain what exactly did and did not change for our beloved School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS).

The new College consolidates two existing academic units: SLIS and the Department of Learning Technologies. The interest in consolidation was prompted in 2007 by the upcoming move of both units to Discovery Park (formerly Research Park), UNT's high-technology research facility, in August 2008 (See "Away to Discovery Park" on p. 4). The topic of consolidation was first broached about 30 years ago when several Computer Science Department faculty members asked to form a new department within SLIS. The request was denied. The former Computer Science faculty was then established as the Department of Technology and Cognition in the College of Education. In early 2007, that department was split to create the Departments of Educational Psychology and Learning Technologies (LT), and in late fall 2007, LT asked to join SLIS.

These and other recent developments at UNT suggested that this was an opportune time to revisit the issue. Ad hoc faculty/staff committees in SLIS and LT were formed to conduct a feasibility study that carefully considered matters of administration and finance, students and curricula, research funding and interests, and facilities and technology. In spring 2008, both the SLIS and LT faculties voted unanimously in favor of the consolidation. I presented the results of the feasibility study to Dr. Wendy Wilkins, UNT Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (see p. 2). She strongly supported the consolidation and, at the same time, cautioned me against announcing the change until it was official. It became official with the approvals of the UNT System Board of Regents on August 21, 2008 and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on October 23, 2008.

### Here is the basic picture of what has changed:

- SLIS has become a part of a college with two departments: Library and Information Sciences (LIS) and Learning Technologies (LT). Our new name is the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies (CILST). Provost Wilkins has designated this name as a "placeholder," pending input by our Board of Advisors, alumni, students, faculty, and staff (see "Editorial, One Person's Opinion, p. 5, and "What's in a Name?" p. 3).
- I now serve as College Dean, relinquishing daily academic administrative duties of LIS to a new LIS Department Chair. Historically, the SLIS Dean served as both dean and chair of a unidepartmental School. My new position allows me to assume the full range of chief academic officer duties appropriately assigned to a college dean.
- I have appointed **Dr. Maurice Wheeler**, Associate Professor, as Interim Chair of the LIS Department (see p. 9). I will appoint a permanent chair upon recommendations by the LIS faculty after we establish a new college charter. LIS faculty members and academic support staff report to the LIS Department Chair. My current administrative staff members now support the College. Reporting to me are the Associate Dean, Special Assistant to the Dean (administrative), LIS Chair, LT Chair, Director of Research and Director of TxCDK, Computer Systems Manager, College Development Officer, External Affairs and Alumni Officer, College Budget Officer, and Special Assistant to the Dean for Distributed Learning (see "Department of Learning Technologies," p. 7-8, and "Philip Turner, Special Assistant to the Dean for Distributed Learning," p. 14).
- The School was the smallest of UNT's nine academic units in terms of total number of student majors. Based on spring 2008 data, the new College is seventh in total number of majors (1,838) and second in number of graduate majors (1,599). The

College is more than double the size of the former School, with a total of 31 tenured or tenure-track faculty members, 32 full-time staff members, and about 3,500 enrollments in all courses each semester.

 Because of LT's bachelor's degree program, the College has a solid base in undergraduate education, which the School had lacked, and a particular emphasis on graduate education, which the units had shared. The College offers two bachelor's degrees, three master's degrees, and three doctoral degrees, along with eight categories of Texas State Board Educator Certification and several nondegree programs.

## Here is what has not changed in Library and Information Sciences:

- The College retains the identity and internal structure of each unit. The LIS Department has the same highly knowledgeable and competent faculty and staff, including our faculty program directors and academic advisors.
- Our BS, MS, and PhD degree programs and our School Library Certification and Graduate Academic Certificate programs remain the same. We continue the strong emphasis on library education that has resulted in 79% of our master's graduates entering professional librarianship. The consolidation in no way affects the ALA accreditation status of our master's program.
- We continue to deliver our highly successful master's and certification online programs, while retaining the added value of face-to-

- face interactions in blended and onsite courses. Like LIS, LT is a national leader in distributed learning. The College is a showcase for distributed learning, with 65% of course enrollments in online formats, 18% in blended formats, and 17% face to face.
- Our Interdisciplinary Information Science PhD Program, which is the only truly interdisciplinary program of its kind at UNT and in the U.S., continues to include LT faculty members, and our PhD students continue to take LT courses. We expect involvement of LT faculty to grow and strengthen with the consolidation.
- LIS and LT faculty researchers continue to interact through the interdisciplinary Texas Center for Digital Knowledge (TxCDK), doctoral committees, and other contexts. They share research interests related to information, use of technology, and education. Faculty members from the two units have secured a notable amount of external funding and all are striving to increase external funding as part of the campus-wide initiative to raise UNT's status as a research institution.

I hope you are as excited about this administrative transformation as we are, and as confident that Library and Information Sciences will retain its unique identity and exceptional programs. Both LIS and LT will gain significant strategic benefits. The two units were already administratively, financially, and academically healthy and stable, but the larger size and identity as a college will help increase their visibility on

campus and provide them with a stronger political and financial future. The academic foundations of students and curricula of the two units are remarkably compatible, with promising areas for development in multimedia technologies, school librarianship, youth services, and health sciences. The innovative approaches to distributed learning and to user-centered research in information and computer technologies of both units bode well for continued creative development and adoption of new technologies, while integration of their technology infrastructure and support staffs promises greater efficiency of operation. Faculty researchers can collaborate to obtain external funding on a greater number of topics from a wider range of sources. As our research funding grows, so will opportunities for involving and supporting student researchers.

In short, we have created a diverse but united community with greater power to compete effectively with exemplary colleges of information and technology in universities all over the world. The most significant message for Call Number readers, however, is that we have managed to create this community without changing the mission, goals, and core values of Library and Information Sciences.

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The Departments of Library and Information Sciences and Learning Technologies are extremely grateful to Dr. Wendy K. Wilkins, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, along with President Gretchen Bataille, for their strong support in the establishment of the College of Information, Library Science, and

Technologies. The new college is the first major academic organizational change to take place since Dr. Wilkins became UNT provost in 2007.

Dr. Wilkins came to UNT from Michigan State University where she had served as dean of the College of Arts and Letters from 1998 to 2004. Previously, she served as chair of the English Department and

later Associate Dean for Academic Personnel, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University. Her research interests include evolutionary neurobiology of language; cognitive science; language acquisition, especially the learning of the lexicon; cross linguistic cognition; and comparative linguistic and musical cognition. She is fluent in Spanish and has a working knowledge of a number of other languages. Her latest publication, currently in press, is a chapter titled "Mosaic Neurobiology and Anatomical Plausibility" in *The Prehistory of Language* (Oxford University Press). She recently published articles in *The Linguistic Review* and presented papers at the 2008 Linguistic Society of America annual meeting.

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## **UP TO A COLLEGE—WHAT'S IN A NAME?**

In the Dean's Column (p. 1-2), Dr. Herman Totten announces that the School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS) is now the Department of Library and Information Sciences (LIS) within the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies (CILST). He also notes that Dr. Wendy Wilkins, UNT Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, called the college name a "placeholder." As reported in the Denton Record-Chronicle on the day following the August 21, 2008 UNT System Board of Regents decision to approve the new college, Provost Wilkins spoke of a "working title": "'This will change over time,' she said in response to regent questions about the title. The university is trying to be sensitive to alumni of the programs. 'We don't want to alienate our graduates,' she said." The Provost had requested a shorter name, but the Dean insisted on the longer name for exactly that reason: the great value that SLIS has always placed in the opinions of you, our constituents: our alumni, students, faculty, staff, and, of course, alumni and others on our Board of Advisors.

We are seeking your input on this critical decision. We'll start by answering some questions you may have.

### What does it mean to become a college?

If you have been confused by academic terminology, you are not alone. Although one may say "I went to school at UNT" or "I went to college at UNT" in casual conversation, academia has more specific meanings for these terms. Within universities, administrative units called colleges traditionally focus on general education, whereas schools focus on professional education. As the professions have broadened their scope and size, however, we are seeing a shift. Today many university colleges offer a variety of professional specializations in multiple departments and programs; provide relevant courses for undergraduate general education across the university; engage in theory-based scholarly research by faculty members and doctoral students; and obtain external funding for both scholarly and professional research projects that benefit all students and programs.

By becoming a college, we are placing ourselves at the forefront of this movement. We are in excellent company with other UNT professional colleges, such as our new neighbor in Discovery Park, the College of Engineering.

## What does this mean for Library and Information Sciences?

In the Editorial (p. 5), Margaret Nichols provides an illuminating view of trends in the organization and names of academic units of library and information studies across the country, along with a brief history of our School at UNT. Consolidation of academic units is the norm, but we are unusual in taking the lead on (and thus control of) our own consolidation at UNT. By incorporating the Department of Library and Information Sciences in the College, LIS becomes not a smaller presence, but a larger and more visible and powerful presence in the profession and in the university, part of a greater whole. Our name remains the same except for the change from "school" to "department" and—best of all—our master's program remains the ALA-accredited professional LIS degree in the College.

Thus we have managed change without change. In the LIS world, change is a given and change is good!

### How can you be involved in naming the college?

Should the name remain the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies (CILST)? Should it be different? Should it be shorter?

Please email your response with the subject line "College name" by January 31, 2009 to Jurhee Curtis at Jurhee.Curtis@unt.edu or mail it with "ATTN: College name" to Jurhee Curtis, UNT/CILST, 1155 Union Circle #311068, Denton, TX 76203 5017. Include in the message your name and your relationship to UNT LIS (e.g., alum, student).

The LIS Board of Advisors will discuss your responses at its February 2009 meeting and make a recommendation to the LIS Department Chair and the College Dean. The Dean will also ask the LT Department to poll its constituents and faculty for suggestions and recommendations. The final choice of college name will be determined by the College faculty at its March 2009 meeting. If the name is to be changed, then the new name must be approved by Provost Wilkins by April 2009, the UNT System Board of Regents at its May 2009 meeting, and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board at its July 2009 meeting.

This is an exciting time for all of us. Stay tuned for the results!

### TEXAS ALMANAC MOVES TO UNT

Reference and information specialists in particular will be interested in the fact that as of May 5, 2008 the *Texas Almanac* became the property of the Texas State Historical Association, now housed on the UNT campus (see *Call Number*, spring 2008, p.6). For 150 years, the biennial was published by A.H. Belo-related entities, in recent years by the *Dallas Morning News*. Well established as a basic reference tool in Texas libraries, the almanac provides detailed coverage of Texas government, economic and social statistics, and historical information.

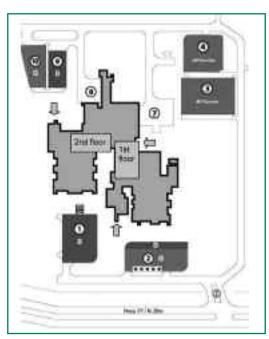


## AWAY TO DISCOVERY PARK

The Library and Information Sciences (LIS) faculty and staff have experienced two exciting changes in fall 2008, both landmark events. The first change was the move to Discovery Park, a new and ambitious UNT research facility. The second, precipitated by the LIS move, was to join forces with the Department of Learning Technologies, also moving to Discovery Park, to become the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies.

LIS was flattered to be asked and delighted to become a part of the new UNT research facility. The primary missions of the research park are to promote interactive and multidisciplinary research, education and training that benefits students, faculty and community, and to expand economic development through education and technologies. Harold Strong, a nationally recognized leader in research park development and formerly director of the research park at Texas A&M University, has been named Discovery Park Director. He has a strong record of developing partnerships between universities and industries.

When it was learned that the Department of Learning Technologies, formerly in the College of Education, was also moving to Discovery Park, discussion of common interests emerged. After careful study and steps described in the dean's Column (p.1-2), the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies was established.



Discovery Park



The move to Discovery Park, which took place August 18th, was a monumental undertaking. LIS has been located in the same building, the former UNT main library, throughout its 70 year history, except for a two-year period in the mid-1970s when the building was being renovated. As the student enrollment and faculty size increased and technology facilities were added, the space became more and more crowded. The new and generous accommodations located in an attractive setting were welcomed by both faculty and students.

The facility, located four miles north of the main campus, was formerly a Texas Instruments manufacturing plant. It was renovated as UNT Research Park in 2002 and renamed Discovery Park in 2008. In addition to our new College, it also houses the College of Engineering, and the Computing and Information Technology Center. The 34,000 square-foot facility on a 290 acre site has been renovated at a cost of some \$2.9 million to accommodate its new residents.

The LIS new home, located at 3940 North Elm Street, is easily accessed from I35, a short distance away, or from downtown Denton via North Elm Street, a main thoroughfare. Shuttle busses run frequently for those arriving from the main campus. Parking is available in several lots either by permit or parking meter, with guest and handicapped parking also available. The LIS offices and research facilities, all constructed new this summer, are on the second floor. Classrooms and a spacious library that includes the entire Z collection (bibliography, library science, and information resources) are on the first floor.

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## **EDITORIAL**

As one who has been associated with LIS either as a student or faculty member for over 60 years, I would like to express my views on the current changes announced in this issue of *Call Number*. I must admit that at first, just as we all tend to feel when faced with change, I was apprehensive. After considerable thought and investigation, however, I have come to recognize this as a positive move and one that we should support wholeheartedly.

Library schools that stand alone are usually the smallest schools in the university structure and vulnerable to cost-cutting measures. Over the last number of years, we have seen many of the academic units with ALA-accredited master's programs combined with other university units, some with which they have little in common, and/or with units that include much larger departments that tend to overshadow them. One accredited program is in a college of social and behavioral sciences (Arizona) and another is in a college of natural sciences (Hawaii). Several of the other accredited programs are under the domain of colleges of arts and sciences (Wisconsin-Madison, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Saint John's, South Florida) or of mass communication (Alabama, Kentucky, Rutgers, South Carolina, Southern Connecticut, Tennessee). A number are in colleges of education (Buffalo, Clarion, Denver, Southern Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina-Greensboro, San José, Texas Woman's, UCLA). In none of these instances is the dean of the college from library and information studies (the generic term used by ALA). Such arrangements as these could have been our destiny, but we have merged with a unit of comparable size with which we have a great deal in common. It is worth mentioning that currently only 18 of the 55 ALA-accredited master's programs are in units that stand alone within their universities. (See http://www.ala.org/ ala/accreditation/accreditation.cfm/.)

It is interesting to note that as these academic units incorporate a greater range of subjects and degrees beyond library science, their names are also being transformed. A number of units have dropped the word "library" from their titles and are termed information schools (Florida State, Long Island, Maryland, Michigan, New York-Albany, Pittsburgh, Syracuse, Texas, Valdosta, Washington, Wisconsin-Milwaukee). Further, of the 19 top U.S. institutions that belong to the iSchools Caucus (http://www.ischools.org/), five of the units are titled "college" and do not contain the word "library" (Drexel, Florida State, Georgia Institute of Technology, Maryland,

## One Person's Opinion

Pennsylvania State) and only four other units' titles contain the word "library." (See "Up to a College—What's in a Name?" p. 3.)

Our library and information studies program started in 1939 as a very small department within the College of Arts and Sciences offering the AB or BS degree with a major in library service and a fifth-year postbaccalaureate program leading to the BS in LS degree. The MLS degree was instituted in 1963. Five years later, in 1968, both the post-masters Certificate of Advanced Study and the PhD were added and the unit became the School of Library and Information Sciences with its own dean. Since that time we grew in size to 19 faculty members and around 1,000 students, but we remained the smallest school or college within the UNT structure. Even though we are returning to departmental status within a college, we are not stepping backward; we are making a positive move and one of our own choice. It also is important to observe that our identifying name is stated in the title, College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies.

I find it reassuring that in our case each of the original units, SLIS and Learning Technologies, formed groups of faculty and staff to make a careful feasibility study of a possible merger and that each unit reported a positive recommendation. When the plan was presented to the two faculties concerned, the proposal passed by unanimous vote. It also is reassuring that the plan was initiated by our dean in whom I have the utmost confidence. It appears that all of those concerned are enthusiastic about joining forces to create a strong college in the University's system, a college that ranks seventh in total number of majors, rather than the last among nine, and second in number of graduate majors.

We have come a long way in 70 years, an anniversary we will be celebrating in 2009. Not only are we highly regarded on campus, but also within the state and nation. Our master's program is strong on campus and in Houston and in our cohorts in Las Vegas, San Antonio, and El Paso, with new cohorts beginning in Georgia, Virginia, and California. Our doctoral program is also strong, drawing students from around the world. It appears to me that becoming part of a college is a positive step that will make us even stronger.

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## FACTS ABOUT DISCOVERY PARK

- Street address 3940 North Elm Street
- Located on a 290-acre site about 4 miles north of main campus
- Easily accessed from I35 via State Highway 377/N. Elm Street
- Officially opened as Research Park with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on August 14, 2002
- President Gretchen Bataille announced name change to Discovery Park in December 2007
- First resident was College of Engineering, founded in 2003
- Property formerly a Texas Instruments manufacturing plant
- UNT purchased in 2001 for \$8.9 million
- Renovated at a cost of \$2.9 million
- Consists of four interconnected two story buildings with a gross area of 550,000 square feet.
- LIS administrative and faculty offices on 2nd floor
- · Classrooms and library on 1st floor
- On site library contains 10,000 volumes of LIS journals, more than 19,000 items in the Z book collection, provides 24 subscription database and journal packages, and 37 individual electronic journals for LIS, along with online subject guide to LIS resources
- Generous parking in four lots
- Cafeteria
- Bookstore to be added
- Discovery Park mission: promote interactive and multidisciplinary research, education, and training; expand economic development through education and technology; develop industry partnerships; support teaching and research of STEM (science-tech-eng-math) disciplines.



## THE MOVE,

### A MOMUMENTAL TASK

Summer found the LIS faculty and staff surrounded by large trash containers, boxes, and yellow moving crates in preparation for the move to Discovery Park. Tons of paper, books, and other materials had to be packed, sent to storage, or discarded. All of those concerned had to be ready for moving day, August 18.

The move was beautifully orchestrated by Josephine Reyna (PhD '05), LIS move coordinator and assistant computer lab manager. Without the efforts of Josi and those of staff members Alan Livingston (PhD '05), lab manager and web manager, and Gary Mathews, computer systems manager, the moving process would have been much more difficult. Josi's organizational skills came to the fore as she kept all informed about the process, while meeting the needs of the University, current occupants of Discovery Park, construction workers,

the moving company, and (her biggest headache) the LIS faculty and staff.

To make matters even more complicated, the move took place during fall class registration. Due to Josi's timeline and well executed plan, however, computers and telephone services to assist student registration during this two week "black out" period went uninterrupted and the LIS staff was able to function normally.

While trying to maintain usual work days, Gary and Alan dealt with the many faculty and staff questions and wrong wiring in the new facility as well as the set up of new equipment/computers, fax machines, and printers. Josi kept everyone on track. These three are to be commended for their planning, long rigorous hours of work, and effort to make the move go smoothly.



Adam Poncy



Dr. Schamber



Diane Green



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Alan Livingston, Josephine Reyna and Gary Mathews



Brigade!

Left: Dr. Du

Maurice Leatherbury with Gary Mathews and Dr. Moen

### DEPARTMENT OF LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES

Learning technologies are changing the face of education and training throughout the world. The field includes the use of a broad range of communication, information, and related technologies to support learning and teaching. The UNT Department of Learning Technologies (LT), now a part of the College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies, offers programs that are internationally known for preparing future educators and technology professionals to advance knowledge of technology tools and their applications. Students, enrolled at the bachelor's, master's, and PhD levels, are preparing themselves for positions in a wide variety of educational and business settings such as school principals, technology coordinators, web designers and developers, technical consultants, higher education faculty, instructional designers, and researchers.

#### Enrollment

LT is a growing department. During the time that it was a part of the College of Education, its growth rate exceeded all other departments within the College with an average annual increase of 7.9%.

LIS and LT are comparable in size but with variation in the number of majors and number of students enrolled at different levels. LT has a far greater number of undergraduate majors than LIS, 196 as compared to 43. LIS, however, far exceeds LT in graduate level majors with 1,326 Master's and 100 PhDs as compared to LT's 84 master's and 72 PhDs. LT, therefore, enrolls more undergraduates while LIS enrolls more graduate students. In spring 2008, LT enrolled 1,156 students in undergraduate level courses and 331 in graduate level courses, while LIS enrolled 91 at the undergraduate level and 1,989 at the graduate level.

### Faculty

Both LT and LIS have highly competent faculties of comparable size with LIS larger by five. Four of the LT faculty members are Regents Professors\*: Drs. Cathleen Norris, James Poirot, Gerald Knezek, and Jerry Wircenski. Two LIS professors have been awarded the honor, Dr. Ana Cleveland (see p.13) and Dean Herman L. Totten. Since Dr. Totten is now an administrator, making him ineligible Norris for the title, his regents professorship is being held in suspension.

LT faculty members have interesting backgrounds and are involved in worthwhile current pursuits both professionally and personally as the sampling that follows will indicate:

Professor Cathleen Norris, who was named a Regents Professor in 2006-07, is the recipient of the E. Bruce Street Scholars Award and has served as Matthews Chair for Research in Education. She has received several other honors, including the Impact 30 Award from eSchool News, the Learning and Leading with Technology Award from the International Society for Technology in Education, and the National Education Computer Conference Leader Award and the Outstanding Service Award from the National Education Computer Conference. Her research interests include computer-based Ennis-Cole education, human factors, and teacher productivity.

Assistant Professor Judith Enriquez's research interests are in the social dimensions of communication technology and of the design and development of various technologies. With this research interest, she has ventured into other intellectual traditions outside the 'comfort zone' of computing or information technology, drawing from science, technology studies (STS), organization and media Jones science, cultural psychology, sociology and linguistics.

Associate Professor Demetria Ennis-Cole worked in industry and academia as a programmer and a computer analyst before coming to UNT. She has been published in a number of journals including Journal of Research on Computing in Education, Educational Gerontology, Journal of Computing in Childhood Education, and Journal of Vocational and Special Needs.





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Assistant Professor Greg Jones formerly worked for Compaq, Dallas Engineering as an advanced communications technology planner. His research focuses on the areas of emerging technologies for learning, which include visualization systems for education, virtual communities, telementoring, and 3D online learning environments (virtual environments). He holds a FCC advanced radio license.

Before coming to academia, Assistant Professor Jessica Li held various senior and executive management positions with Motorola University of Motorola, Inc., Nokia Learning Center of Nokia Co., and Reytheon Learning Institutes of Raytheon Co. She assists organizations to establish corporate universities, transition to a learning organization, develop management development strategy and programs, and create succession management strategy and programs.

Assistant Professor Lin Lin is research director of a University of North Texas BEGIN project that is supported by a \$3 million grant from the Department of Education. She is intrigued by the benefits offered through asynchronous written text to the extent that it can create a true dialogue or discourse.

Assistant Professor Kim Nimon is a corporate veteran of the high-tech industry. Kim is committed to teaching and applying methods that bridge the gap between research and practice. Her research agenda focuses on improving human performance through the practice of workplace spirituality, the measurement & evaluation of employee attitudes, and the development of quantitative statistical methodologies to assess human performance technology interventions.

Assistant Professor Scott Warren designs and conducts research on digital experiences ranging from alternate reality games to ethical and moral concerns related to the use of games and simulations for educational purposes. He designed and developed the 3-D world called Anytown within Quest Atlantis to support literacy, which worked in conjunction with his fictional book titled

Professor Jerry Wircenski was named a Regents Professor in 2003-04. His research interests are courseware design, career and technical education, and learners with special needs. His published works include Info-line: Effective Classroom Training Techniques, Vocational Education Programs for the Disadvantaged, and Workbook: Winning Strategies for Effective Public Speaking.

Professor Michelle Wircenski has been at UNT for twenty years. She advises the students seeking master's degrees in the program of Applied Technology and

Performance Improvement and works closely with the first year Career and Technical Education teacher interns. Her research areas include special populations, learning styles, curriculum accommodations teaching strategies and authentic assessment.

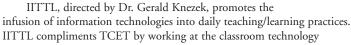
Additional information about LT faculty members is available on the UNT website, http://lt.unt.edu/faculty.html.

#### Research

Important components of the missions of both LIS and LT are to advance and contribute to leading-edge research and scholarship. They each rely heavily on grants in carrying out these important functions. LT exceeds LIS in grant awards, receiving \$7,566,724 research awards compared to LIS \$3,371,466 between 2003 and 2007. During the department's tenure in the College of Education, LT generated more than 50% of the grants received by the College over a five year period.

While LIS sponsors one research center, Texas Center for Digital Knowledge (TxCDK), LT sponsors two, Texas Center for Educational Technology (TCET) and Institute for the Integration of Technology into Teaching and Learning (IITTL). TxCDK directed by **Dr. William Moen**, is an interdisciplinary center that brings together faculty members from across campus with research interest in the digital knowledge area. Its mission is to stimulate and support interdisciplinary research encompassing theoretical frameworks and practical applications that can enhance the creation, storage, organization, retrieval, use and evaluation of information in a wide variety of digital formats.

TCET, with Dr. James Poirot serving as executive director, facilitates and conducts research; develops and evaluates collaborations between industry, education, and educational communities; and serves as a focal point within the state of Texas and beyond in order to create and adapt instructional technology for integration into the education programs of our state and nation.





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integration level. The center has generated numerous national and international papers and has been highly successful in obtaining grants.

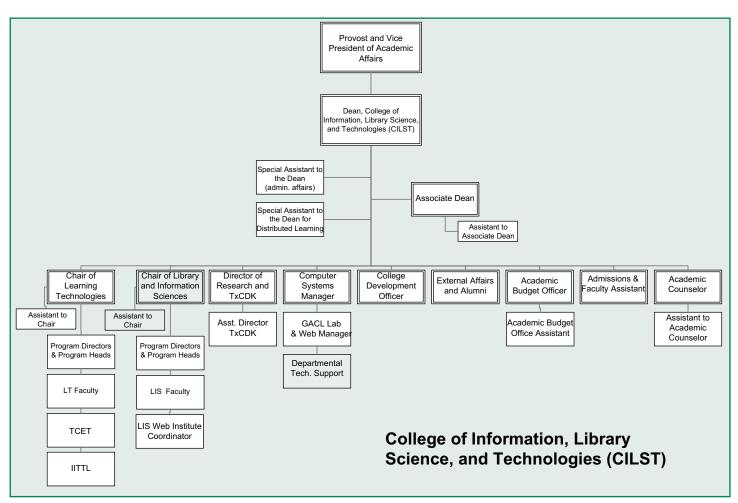
Research interests of the two faculties show many similarities. LT faculty interests include such areas as artificial intelligence, computer assisted instruction, computer based education, new media and technology, telecommunication and informatics, telementoring,

virtual communities, use of technologies such as digital learning environments, and emerging technologies for learning. These areas complement the research interests of LIS faculty members such as digital imaging, distributed learning and technologies, human information behavior, information retrieval, information seeking behavior of online students, learning communities and learning behavior, medical informatics, and online course design.

### **Prospects**

The two units are entering this new venture with a spirit of cooperation that should benefit all concerned. Both have recently moved to Discovery Park where they are able to share classrooms and other facilities. The future looks promising for the new College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies.

\*Regents professorships are awarded in recognition of individuals currently at the rank of professor who have distinguished records of teaching, research, or both and give evidence of the potential for continuation of distinguished service.



## **GUEST EDITORIAL**

It was a pleasure to read Professor Nichols's editorial (p.5) prior to writing my first editorial for *Call Number*; however, it left me with a daunting number of questions to answer. First, how do I introduce Learning Technologies to a new audience? How do I explain our history, our present, and hopes for the future? How do I define Learning Technologies? How do I explain the "connections" that led to a consolidation? **How do I...**? These simple words left me with endless possibilities on the way to the store to buy more coffee beans for my grinder. After fresh bean juice, I decided to write this commentary as an opening conversation without a need to "wrap-up."

The Department of Learning Technologies utilizes theories, systems, processes, and tools that advance society by improving skill sets, promoting global and local connectivity, and increasing the productivity and knowledge of a society. Tom Peters wrote a book in 1987 titled *Thriving on Chaos* in which he states "excellent firms don't believe in excellence – only in constant improvement and constant change." The Department of Learning Technologies has been a part of the University of North Texas since 1909 when it began offering manual training courses to North Texas students. The department currently offers an online bachelor's degree, two master's degrees and three doctoral degrees in the areas of computing, learning and performance.

Throughout the interdisciplinary history of the Department of Learning Technologies, it has adapted to the changing needs of learners and anticipating the future needs of society. Over the last 100 years, the United States had changed significantly from a localized agrarian society

## Thriving on Change

into a global information society. With this societal change, the courses, programs, departments, divisions, schools and colleges at the University of North Texas have also changed to better facilitate learning and the transition to the workforce.

Change is seldom comfortable. However, innovation cannot happen without pioneers willing to risk change for benefit of advancement. Our new college will be an incubator for such innovation. Student-centered research colleges and universities that survive into the future must be willing to invest in ground-breaking, collaborative partnerships that work toward solutions for a global information society.

The new College of Information, Library Science, and Technologies is deeply rooted in the fabric of a university. It has been created with a faculty, staff, and students that respect the past, while studying in the present towards the goal of shaping the future.

As we come together as one college, old friendships will be renewed and opportunities for vibrant collaborations will be discovered. I personally look forward to the next year as the college embarks on a journey in a direction that could not have been imagined by Joshua Chilton when he founded the North Texas State Normal College in 1890.

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### LT AND LIS INTERIM CHAIRS

Dr. Jeff Allen and Dr. Maurice Wheeler

**Dr. Jeff Allen**, LT Interim Chair, has been a UNT faculty member since 1994. He is a distinguished teacher and scholar in the field of performance improvement who consults and teaches in that area as well as in career and technical education, learning technologies, and research methods. He provides leadership in numerous professional organizations and has served as a reviewer for numerous national and international publications. His published works includes *Leadership in Career and* 



Technical Education: Beginning the 21st Century (University Council for Workforce and Human Resource Development, 2005), and over 30 publications in journals such as Community College Journal of Research and Practice, Journal of Industrial Teacher Education, Workforce Education Forum, Performance Improvement Quarterly, International Journal of Applied Management & Technology, and Journal of Instructional Psychology. He made recent presentations during conferences at the Academy of Human Resource Development International Research Conference, Panama City, FL, in 2008, and 6th International Conference of the Academy of HRD Asian Conference, Beijing, China, in 2007.

Dr. Allen holds the PhD degree from Penn State University and the MS and BAAS degrees from UNT. He holds a black belt in several areas of the martial arts, such as an eighth degree level in Archipelago Combatives.



Dr. Maurice Wheeler, LIS Interim Chair, who joined the LIS faculty in 2002, came to UNT from the Detroit Public Library where he had served as director since 1996. His research areas include public libraries, leadership and administration of libraries, cultural diversity as organizational development, and African American music archives and special collections. His publications include: Unfinished Business: Race, Equity, and Diversity in Library and Information Science Education (Scarecrow,

2004); a chapter in the Whole Library Handbook, 4th ed (ALA, 2004); and refereed articles in Libres; International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, and Communities and Nations; and International Journal of the Humanities. He has made numerous conference presentations including "Information Retrieval, Archives and Social Commentary: Researching the Dynamics of Race at the Metropolitan Opera" at a conference held at Cambridge University, Cambridge, England, in June 2005.

An active member of TLA and ALA, he has chaired and served on numerous committees and assumed other leadership roles in the organizations. His degrees include the PhD in Library Science from the University of Pittsburgh, the M.I.L.S. from the University of Michigan; Master of Music, Voice Performance, University of Michigan; and Bachelor of Music, Shorter College.

## THE DEPARTMENT

### FEATURED ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Tyrone H. Cannon Rhonda Keaton



Dr. Tyrone H. Cannon

**Dr. Tyrone H. Cannon**, now serving his second year on the LIS Advisory Board, is dean of university libraries at the University of San Francisco, where he also is chair of the University Leadership Team, serves on the Provost Council, and co-chairs the Joint University Advisory Committee and the Joint University Curriculum Committee. The University of San Francisco libraries hold over one million volumes in 21 facilities with an annual budget of \$5.5 million.

Prior to his coming to his current position in 1995, Dr. Cannon served as

senior associate university librarian at Boston College. He also has held positions at Oklahoma State University, Columbia University, and the University of Texas at Arlington.

In 2003-04, Dr. Cannon served as president of the American College and Research Libraries, the largest division of the American Library Association. He is a frequent conference speaker and has made recent presentations at annual conferences of the Missouri Library Association, California Association of Academic and Research Libraries, American Association of Higher Education, California Library Association, and Wisconsin Association of Academic Libraries. He is featured in *African American Librarians in the Far West Pioneers and Trail Blazers* (Scarecrow, 2006).

Dr. Cannon received the B.S. and Master's of Social Work degrees at the University of Connecticut, the professional master's degree at the University



Rhonda Keaton

of Pittsburg, and the doctorate at the University of San Francisco.

Rhonda Keaton, also serving her second year on the LIS Advisory Board, is a 1994 LIS graduate. As the LexisNexis librarian relations consultant based in Dallas, she serves librarians in law firms and in academic, state, county and court governments settings in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Oklahoma. Prior to coming to LexisNexis, the leading global provider of business information solutions, she was the executive director of Legacy, an upscale gift store in Fort Worth. She also served a stint as public services

librarian at Texas Wesleyan University School of Law.

Rhonda is active in a number of professional organizations such as the American Association of Law Librarians, the Special Libraries Association, and several local and regional law libraries associations. In addition to the MS from LIS, she received a BA in English from Texas A&M University and the JD from Texas Wesleyan University.

Rhonda says that she "has always liked to travel as a hobby but to be able to do it as part of my work has been a real bonus." She also confides that if she were not a librarian she would be an art historian working as a curator in a museum.

## LIS COHORTS AND PROGRAMS

### California

Greater Los Angeles Regional Cohort

Working in close collaboration, UNT LIS and California State University, Northridge (CSUN) are creating a special greater Los Angeles regional cohort for the MS degree in library and information sciences. Beginning in fall 2009, the cohort, limited to 40 students, will begin courses online from UNT and on-site on the CSUN campus, taught by a team of UNT faculty, CSUN faculty, and distinguished senior library professionals. A strong emphasis will be placed on the challenges and opportunities that are distinctive to the management of libraries, library collections, and services in a diverse urban context.

### Georgia Cohort

In fall 2008, LIS began the Georgia cohort with a two-day institute held at the Emory University Robert W. Woodruff Library, with the remainder of the instruction delivered online. The cohort includes 60 students, 35 of whom are funded with a \$700,000 grant from the Laura Bush 21st Century Library Program. The grant was received in partnership with the



State Library of Georgia, Emory University, and Atlanta University Center. The latter is the largest consortium supporting African-American higher education in the nation, comprised of five historically black colleges in southwest Atlanta: Spelman College, Clark Atlanta University, the Interdenominational Center, Morehouse College, and the Morehouse School of Medicine. The grant is designed to increase the number and diversity of students

enrolled in ALA accredited library programs in upper Georgia and to prepare these students for an array of 21st Century library careers with an emphasis on digital knowledge management.

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At the Web Institute, students received basic instruction in two courses, taught by Dean Herman L. Totten and Dr. Yvonne Chandler, director of the cohort, as well as networked and bonded during activities that included a preinstitute dinner, a pizza party, games on Saturday night, and a "Make Your Own Sundae" party on Sunday evening. There was additional excitement when a fire alarm sounded during class on Sunday, sending the entire cohort outside the building because of a leaking sprinkler in one of the rare books rooms. The respite allowed the group to gather for the group photograph shown here. The cohort will attend a second institute in January.

### A quote from Shamsha Karim, a student in the Georgia cohort:

"The program is exceeding my expectations in every way. I am especially grateful for the Web Institute portion of the otherwise online program because it allows us to meet face to face with our instructor and classmates. This went a long way toward fostering a sense of community and support. Because of the program, I have renewed energy and feel I now have a vested interest in the proliferation and betterment of libraries." Georgia Public Library Service News, October 2008.

### Nevada Cohort

August 16 was celebration day for members of Nevada Cohort III, the day the class of 2008 received their degrees. The impressive program took place at Paseo Verde Library of the Henderson District Public Libraries. Earlier graduates, Michael Frazier (MS '04) and Patrick Griffis (MS '06) served as marshals. Corinne Dickman (MS '07) and Joseph Gree (MS '08) were speakers, along with the guest speaker, Verlia Davis Hoggard, of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Board of Trustees. Dean Herman L. Totten recognized the candidates, Dr. Yvonne Chandler performed the hooding ceremony, and Daphne DeLeon, division administrator of the Nevada State Library and Archives, welcomed the graduates to the profession.

Nevada Cohort IV is now into its second year of study. All members of the program attended the Nevada Library Association Conference, August 14-16, 2008, as part of their scholarship award. On the 17th, they attended a workshop on diversity and libraries where Dean Herman L. Totten delivered the opening address. The 86 students in the cohort hale from Nevada, Utah, California, New Mexico, Oregon, Colorado, and Minnesota. Dr. Yvonne Chandler serves as director of the cohort.

### Virginia Cohort

The Virginia Cohort began in fall 2008 with a four-day institute held at the James Madison University Carrier Library with the



remainder of the instruction delivered online. The program, that includes 40 students from Virginia and surrounding states, got underway with a pre-institute dinner at which the students were joined by the academic team, Program Director Dr. Philip Turner along with his wife Lis, Dr. Yunfei Du, and the program teaching assistants. Those attending the dinner joined with the Turners in celebrating their 39th wedding anniversary.

The opening day began with LIS 5000 instruction, a tour of the newly opened science library, and a welcome by Cynthia Church on behalf of the Virginia State Librarian. At the evening reception, they were greeted by Ralph Alberico, dean of James Madison University libraries. The following days were devoted to beginning LIS 5600 and socialization in the evenings, a hallmark of the LIS Web Institutes, with an ice cream social, a pizza party, and a sing along. The group will meet again in January at the James Madison University library.

Dr. Turner would like to give thanks to those who made the Virginia Program possible: Dean Ralph Alberico, who provided the space and computer hookups for the class; Rita McCandless, cohort student and James Madison library staff member who served as local arrangement coordinator; and Ellen DeFriece, whose father taught at UNT, helped make the reception happen. He also thanks Cynthia Church, LIS staff member Jurhee Cutis, and several alumni who helped in recruiting the cohort. He gives special thanks to Toby Faber, who went well beyond the call of duty in helping to register the cohort so that they could begin classes before the official start of the fall semester, along with Dean Herman Totten and LIS whose support made this opportunity available to students from the Virginias.

### San Antonio Program

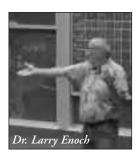
Students, alumni, families, and friends gathered at the Redland Heights clubhouse in San Antonio for a poolside picnic event hosted by the San Antonio LISSA officers, President Marisa Sparks, Vice-President Chuck Tucker, and Kelli Wilder (MS '07), former president. The guests enjoyed a wonderful, decorative buffet of summer picnic staples, including a watermelon carved with the UNT logo.

Dr. Ana Cleveland and Jodi Philbrick welcomed the group on behalf of Dean Totten and gave an update on UNT-LIS.

On October 4, 2008, LISSA sponsored an All School Day. On a program title "Community Outreach in Today's Libraries," students, alumni, librarians, and prospective students in the San Antonio area heard speeches presented by Jennifer Valesquez, coordinator of teen services, San Antonio Public Library, and Julie Gaines, community & technology liaison librarian, UT Health Science Center. Following lunch students and others were able to meet for advising with Dr. Ana Cleveland and Jodi Philbrick.

### Houston Program

A "Back to School Bash" to celebrate the new academic year with students, alumni, faculty, families, and friends in attendance, was held at the University of



Houston Hilton Hotel on August 30, 2008. Magnifying glasses of all shapes and sizes were distributed on the tables to promote the theme of "healthy eyes." **Dr. Ana Cleveland**, director of the Houston Program, welcomed the group. Iodi Philbrick and Cheryl Rowan, assistant director and student coordinator of the Houston Program respectively, along with the Houston LISSA officers, handed out an array of exciting door prizes. Dr. Larry Enoch took time off from the Web Institute that was in progress to enjoy the bash, along with Houston adjunct faculty members Pat Bozeman and Mon Yin Lung. Dana Rooks, dean of the University of Houston Libraries and LIS Advisory Board member, was acknowledged for her many contributions to the Houston Program.

### Denton

Denton LISSA officers are planning an All School Day to take place November 15, 2008. The selected theme is Beyond the Diploma: Preparing for Real-World Employment.



## KATHERINE CVELJO 1921-2008

Emeritus Professor Katherine Cveljo, member of the faculty from 1977 until her retirement in 1988, died in Kenin, Croatia on June 21, 2008. During her tenure at UNT, she taught courses in the areas of information resources and services, including the humanities, social

sciences, and sciences; business, medical, and special librarianship; library networks and cooperative systems; and international and comparative librarianship. She also conducted research and published extensively in these areas.

Dr. Cveljo received her undergraduate education at the University of Zagreb and her graduate studies at Case Western Reserve University where she earned her professional master's and doctor's degrees and also a second master's degree in Slavic languages and literature. Active in state, national, and international library affairs, she maintained memberships in a number of professional associations. She was fluent in Serbian, Croatian, Russian, German, Italian, and French and traveled extensively worldwide in pursuing her interest in research and professional librarianship. During retirement years, she served as visiting professor at the University of Missouri, was a Fulbright Scholar in Slovenia, and received IREX grants in Slovenia and Croatia for three consecutive years.

After retiring from LIS, Dr. Cveljo moved to Cleveland, Ohio to be near members of her family. In 2003, she moved to Croatia where she grew up and had other relatives. She was interned June 23, 2008, in the family crypt in the Dalmatian city of Knin. A memorial service will be held at St. Paul Croatian Church in Cleveland on January 2, 2009. Dr. Cveljo is remembered at UNT as an excellent teacher who took a deep personal interest in her students and their careers following graduation.

## HAZEL HARVEY PEACE 1907-2008

Hazel Harvey Peace, for whom a LIS professorship is named, died on June 8, 2008 just short of her 101 birthday. At a luncheon on campus in August 2007 celebrating Mrs. Peace's 100th birthday, attended by some 100 guests, faculty, staff, and university officials, Dr. Barbara Stein Martin was announced as the first Hazel Harvey Peace Professor of



Children's Library Services. The \$350,000 for the endowed professorship, the first in a state supported Texas university named for an African American woman, was raised through donations made by the honoree's former students, friends, and many admirers.

Mrs. Peace was the consummate educator who never stopped teaching and one who gave of herself to the community. For 46 years she served as teacher, counselor, debate coach, dean and vice principal at the historic I.M. Terrell High School, for many years the only black high school in Fort Worth. After retiring, she spent another decade as director of student affairs and coordinator of financial aid at Bishop College in Dallas. Through the years and long after retirement, she served on various boards, commissions, church councils, and community organizations. Even in fairly recent times, she was often seen reading to children at the Fort Worth Public Library youth center, named in her honor.

As stated in a June 10 Fort Worth Star Telegram article, "Even if you didn't know Hazel Harvey Peace personally, you have been touched by her influence...." Fort Worth Mayor Mike Moncrief said of her, "She was, without a doubt, one of the most influential women in our city's history." One of her former students termed her, "our Sojourner Truth, our matriarch, our mentor, and our inspiration."

Mrs. Peace, who graduated from Fort Worth Colored High School (later named I.M. Terrell High School) at age 13, earned a bachelor's degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C. before returning to teach at her alma mater at age 16. She later earned a master's degree from Columbia University and did postgraduate study at the University of Wisconsin, Vassar College, and Hampton University.

Hundreds of Mrs. Peace's former students, friends, and Fort Worth dignitaries attended various services held following her death, including Dean Herman L. Totten and a delegation from UNT who attended the funeral on June 13. Fort Worth Schools Superintendent Melody Johnson announced that she will recommend that the next new school in Fort Worth be named in honor of Mrs. Peace.

## A TIME FOR CELEBRATION LIS TURNS 70

LIS is celebrating its 70 year anniversary with special programs and festive occasions to take place throughout the year. Education for librarianship actually began at the University of North Texas in 1925 when Pearl McCracken, the library director, offered three courses that focused on the practical use of books and libraries and on library organization, methods, and administration. Theses courses were among the first library science classes offered by any Texas college. The true beginning of LIS, however, dates from 1939 when the Department of Library Service was established in the College of Arts and Sciences and degree programs at the undergraduate and post-baccalaureate levels were first offered.

### TLA Dinner

In celebration, there will be symposia and other activities throughout the year, but one will be special, the Alumni Society dinner held during the Texas Library Association annual conference. The UNT-TLA dinners are known far and wide for being fun filled affairs unlike any other library school gatherings. Since this is a special year, elaborate plans are being made to mark this special occasion that will take place in Houston in April 2009. There will be some serious moments, but most of the evening's events will be raucous entertainment. YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS IT. A 70th Anniversary Committee has been meeting since July 2008 to plan the program and other activities. Even the committee meetings are fun gatherings, which may be an indication of what the finished product will be like.

### Platinum and Rising Stars Awards

In addition to planning fun activities, the 70th Anniversary Committee will recognize state and national leaders in seven categories in the library and information professions who are graduates of the UNT/LIS program. These awards will pay tribute to outstanding members of the alumni body for exemplary accomplishments in their professional lives, service to the community, state or nation, and loyalty and commitment to LIS. Alumni have been sent nomination forms with additional information about the awards. http://unt.edu/slisalumni/index.htm/

REMINDER: The deadline is December 10 and nominations should be sent to UNT LIS, Attn: Jurhee Curtis, External Affairs, 1155 Union Circle 311068, Denton TX 76203-5017. Should you need information, please contact Jurhee at Jurhee.Curtis@unt.edu or by phone at 940-565-3565.



The 70th Anniversary Celebration Committee Left to right: Cindy Batman, Kathy Huber, Clarice Luce, Yvonne Chandler, Debby Jennings, Dean Herman Totten, Melody Kelly, Jurhee Curtis, Ana Cleveland, Jodi Philbrick, and Paula King, Margaret Nichols, center, serving as chair.

Dr. Ana Cleveland

## **FACULTY**

## DR. ANA CLEVELAND NAMED REGENTS **PROFESSOR**

Dr. Ana Cleveland was notified in May that she has been named a UNT Regents Professor. The title is awarded to full professors who have performed outstanding teaching, research, or both. Dr. Cleveland was especially recognized for her commitment to teaching and mentoring students and for her contributions

to curriculum development, particularly in the area of health informatics that has brought LIS to a level of national and international prominence.\*

This is an historic occasion in two respects. It is only the second Regents Professorship Award to a faculty member in the history of LIS. The first was awarded to Dean Herman L. Totten in 1991-92. Two thousand and eight also marks Dr. Cleveland's twentieth year as a member of the LIS faculty.

\*The U.S. News and World Report, in its annual guide to the best graduate schools, ranked the LIS master of science in library and information science degree program in health librarianship third in the nation and first in Texas.



Dr. William Moen

## TxCDK AND BRIT RECEIVE GRANT

Dr. William Moen, director of Texas Center for Digital Knowledge (TxCDK) and LIS director of research, has announced that the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT)\* and TxCDK received a \$738,075 grant, with \$181,240 in matching funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. TxCDK and BRIT will conduct fundamental research with the goal of identifying how human intelligence can be combined with machine processes for effective and efficient transformation of textual museum specimen label information

into high-quality machine-processible parsed data. The two-year project will advance understanding of the workflow and processes best able to increase access to and use of digitized biological collection metadata within the stakeholder communities comprised of biologists, natural history museum collections managers, biodiversity standards groups, and the library and information science community. A key challenge faced by all natural history collections is determining a transformation process that yields high-quality results in a costand time-efficient manner. The results of this research will yield a new workflow model for effective and efficient label data transformation, correction, and enhancement that can be replicated, adapted, and transferred to herbaria and other natural history collections. This project matches one of the UNT president's new initiatives to support and improve environmental sustainability.

Dr. Moen is also a part of an interdisciplinary team of UNT researchers who have received a \$393,688 grant from the National Science Foundation to examine how federal science agencies try to make their research relevant to society. The team will study ways the five science agencies use the process of peer review to ensure that the research they fund is socially relevant. The researchers are calling their project Comparative Assessment Review, or CAPR, pronounced "caper."

\*BRIT, located in Fort Worth, is a global institute for the conservation and preservation of botanical heritage through education, research, scientific publications, and collections.

## DR. GUILLERMO **OYARCE RECEIVES TENURE**

Dr. Guillermo Oyarce received the good news in May that he had been granted tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor. His areas of research interest include information retrieval and visualization, cognitive issues in user interaction



Dr. Guillermo Oyarce

with technology, and knowledge management. His course inventory includes information retrieval design, Web content development and maintenance, Web administration for information professionals, microcomputer applications for information management, and evaluation and experimentation in information systems and processes.

Dr. Oyarce has recently published peer-reviewed articles in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology, Documentation and Information Center[of the] Chinese Academy of Science, and Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science; a book chapter in Creating Collaborative Advantage Through Knowledge & Innovation (World Scientific Publishing, 2006); and a Technical Report, Organization for the Security and Cooperation in Europe Police-Related Activities, POLIS, Vienna, Austria, 2005. He made refereed presentations at the International Conference of Knowledge Management, Vienna, Austria in 2007; Knowledge Management Symposium, Tulsa, OK in 2007; Third International Conference on Knowledge Management, University of Greenwich, London, in 2006; and at the American Society for Information Science in 2004.

Dr. Oyarce holds three degrees from UNT, the BS in Physics, the MS from the Department of Technology and Cognition, and the Interdisciplinary PhD. He held teaching positions at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee and the University of Oklahoma before returning to UNT as a member of the LIS faculty in 2002.

Having spent many years in several parts of the globe, Dr. Oyarce says he and his family have "globalism" in their blood. His wife, a kindergarten teacher, grew up in South America and later served in the Peace Corps. After traveling a bit after they were married, they returned to Peru, his native country, where their two children were born. A trip to Texas to visit his wife's family resulted in their remaining in Fort Worth. His daughter, a trilingual doctoral student who has just received the MS from LIS, is currently living in Germany. His son, a senior majoring in economics, is a bike racer, a guitar player, and a computer whiz.

# FACULTY BITS & BYTES

Dr. Ana Cleveland attended the annual meeting of the Medical Library Association (MLA) in Chicago, May 16-21, where she began her duties as the chair-elect of the Medical Library Education Section. She is gearing up for the MLA annual meeting in Honolulu in 2009. On September 18-21, Dr. Cleveland, along with eight Rio Grande Phase II fellows and two Houston Public Library Fountain of Youth IMLS fellows, attended the REFORMA 3rd National Conference held in El Paso. She also met with LIS students in the El Paso area and previous Rio Grande Phase I IMLS fellows. A group of students had dinner with El Paso area librarians and went to a breakfast for future leaders in the profession, hosted by REFORMA President Luis Chaparro. During the conference, Dr. Cleveland served on a "How I Learned English" panel and gave a presentation titled "Reaching Out to the Rio Grande Valley: Recruiting Librarians for Tomorrow." She is currently serving on several committees for the University, including the Graduate Education Internal Review Committee, the Toulouse School of Graduate Studies Dean Search Committee, and the IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access team). She and Dr. Don Cleveland are continuing their work on the book Health Informatics for Medical Librarians.



Dr. Ana Clevenland and attendees of the REFORMA 3rd National Conference.

Two members of the faculty have received Research Infrastructure Support funds from the University to improve the conditions of research equipment and facilities. **Dr. William Moen** received \$17,733 to purchase 12 workstations for graduate research assistants working on funded projects, one server for research, data analysis, and development, and one server with high capacity (Le. terabyte) storage. **Dr. Brian O'Connor** received \$23,288 to purchase ultra-high resolution imaging system equipment to support exciting new research by Dr. O'Connor and others.



Dr. Philip Turn

**Dr. Philip Turner**, former SLIS dean and more recently Vice Provost for Learning Enhancement, has returned to a faculty role in LIS and as Special Assistant to the Dean for Distributed Learning. He will remain involved with the former Center for Distributed Learning, now the Center for Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CTLA), with UNT's Quality Enhancement Plan and Next Generation Course Redesign. The news release concerning the change stated that "the University is

grateful for his 12 years of visionary leadership. Due in large part to Dr. Turner's focused attention to learning enhancement, UNT has gained a position at the forefront of distance learning and course redesign." During the time that Dr. Turner served as SLIS dean, he was concurrently an Associate Vice President for Distance Education. One of Dr. Turner's first responsibilities on returning to LIS was planning and recruiting students for the Virginia Cohort for which he serves as program director. The cohort began in fall 2008 at a Web Institute held at James Madison University (see article p.11)

**Dr. Carol Simpson**, who received the JD degree from Southern Methodist University in May, served as keynote speaker at the Georgia Conference on Information Literary in Savannah, October 1-4, 2008. Her latest book, *Copyright for Administrators* (Linworth), was published this summer.

Dr. William Moen presented a one-day workshop, "The Future of MARC, Cataloging, and The Catalog," at the Montana Library Association conference in April. He presented at two conferences on a project funded by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to develop a learning object repository for the Texas Course Redesign Initiative: "Reusing Learning Objects: The Texas Learning Object Repository" at the Texas Distance Learning Association conference in Galveston in March, and "Reusing & Repurposing Learning Objects: Issues of Granularity in the Texas Course Redesign Repository" in August. The funded project staff included PhD students Svetlana Barnes, Fei Li, Serhiy Polyakov, and Hong Xu. These students are also authors of a paper and poster session that has been accepted for presentation at the fall meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology. Stephanie Horne (MS '07), a student in the Certificate of Advanced Studies program, is serving as project coordinator. Information about the project that continues through August 2009, is available at http://thecblor.unt.edu. An article titled "The Metadata Education and Research Information Commons (MERIC): A Collaborative Teaching and Research Initiative" by Dr. Moen and others appeared in the December 2007 issue of Education for Information.

### IASL CONFERENCE

Several faculty members, doctoral students, and alumni attended the International Association of School Librarians (IASL) annual conference in Berkeley, California. The LIS booth, which offered a gathering place for UNT attendees, was managed by **Drs. Barbara Martin** (PhD '07) and **Barbara Schultz-Jones. Dr. Yunfei Du** (PhD '03) and several LIS students were on hand to make presentations, attend sessions, and network with international attendees. Others in attendance included: **Brian Kenny**, PhD student and editor-in-chief of *School Library Journal*, **Katy Manck** (MS '05), and PhD students **Linda Swarlis** and **Doug Achterman**, as well a **Margaret Lincoln** (PhD '06).



IASL attendees: Brian Kenny, Dr. Stein Martin, Katy Manck, Dr. Schultz-Jones, Linda Swarlis, and Margaret Lincoln.

## <u>Staff</u>

### **JOSEPHINE REYNA**

Featured Staff Member



Josephine Reyna (PhD '05), assistant graduate general access computer lab manager, who so successfully coordinated the LIS move to Discovery Park, came to UNT with a number of years of management experience. During more than 16 years with AT&T, she held a number of responsible positions in such areas as sales support management and regional operations management. During the time she has been associated with UNT, she has held various lab management positions and served as an adjunct faculty member. In 2005, Josi

received the UNT Interdisciplinary PhD in Information Science, with a concentration in technology and user behavior. She also holds two degrees from the University of Texas at Austin, the M.Ed. in early childhood development and bilingual education and the B.A. in psychology. She also is certified in several professional areas such as mediation, dispute resolution, alternate dispute resolution, and family mediation. She has been a volunteer mediator in Dallas and Tarrant Counties for several years (see also p. 6).

### THERESA JACKSON

Award Winner



Theresa Jackson, assistant to the Academic Budget Officer, has been chosen as the 2008 UNT Staff Contribution Award recipient, one of the highest honors a staff member can receive. She was given both a crystal and a monetary award on October 27 at the staff appreciation week kick-off party. The Award was developed to recognize UNT staff members for outstanding contributions in the areas of productivity, customer service, performance, or other initiatives that have significantly contributed to the mission or

reputation of the University. Theresa also has been recognized as one of the outstanding travel preparers by the Travel Section of the UNT Purchasing and Payment Services.

### Thanks to the Staff

The dean and faculty are extremely grateful to the oustanding CILST staff who manage to keep college affairs running smoothly. A list of names and positions is on page 4.

## **CUDENTS**

### LIS STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD

An invitation by the Tirana International School in Tirana, capital city of Albania, provided an opportunity for 10 Masters students (Ryan Bell, Katy Dziminski, Zeb Evelhoch, Laura Gutierrez-Ross, Mari Martinez, Connie Mitchell, Liz Rowe Rawlinson, Meredith Tabor, Olivia Vanderburg, and Beth Wallace), two PhD students (Arta Kabashi [MS '08] and Jan Reed), and two LIS representatives (Dr. Barbara Schultz-Jones (PhD '07) and Toby Faber (MS '04) to complete a system migration from Follett's Athena library automation software to Follett's newer automation software product, Destiny.

The project, accomplished between June 6 and 19, 2008, involved organizing the school library, completing the migration of all bibliographic records and patron information, adding new resources to the Destiny online catalog, organizing and cataloging the textbooks, and providing training to the school librarian. The students assessed and reassigned the fiction and nonfiction collections in terms of call

number assignment and physical location within the library, reviewed circulation parameters, and switched over patron records and the barcode system. They edited bibliographic catalog records to match each book in the collection, reviewing the existing record in Destiny against the actual book for a total of 8,466 items handled. Complete bibliographic catalog records were added for books missing from Destiny and books received as donations (440 titles). Special teams barcoded, cataloged and classified all professional resources, 379 audio-visuals, and barcoded and classified 427 textbook titles.

adding 650 copies of these items. Finally, they created a policies and procedures manual with recommended policies and documentation of decisions made regarding circulating and barcode schemes.

The student's time in Albania included two wonderful weekends of travel throughout the country and a weekend in Rome.

### Student comments:

"I never believed I could learn so much and not be in a classroom! Going through the Dewey's on the books and working with books in their MARC records really opened my eyes to the cataloging world,'

"I know that I can speak for us all when I say that we learned so much more about library automation systems and conversions that we might not have been fully gotten the grasp of had we only read about it in a text book or sat in on lectures. I definitely feel more prepared to upgrade my own library's automation system out of the dark ages."



## LIS STUDY ABROAD **IN SUMMER 2009**

Dr. Barbara Schultz-Jones and Toby Faber will be offering two courses and a trip to Kyiv, Ukraine in summer 2009. Ten students will have the experience of migrating a library automation system in the Kyiv International School. Dr. Schultz-Jones states that "this is a wonderful opportunity for LIS students to experience planning, managing, implementing, and assessing the effectiveness of a sustainable automation system in a fully contained setting."

### BETA PHI MU CHAPTER RECEIVES AWARD

The Beta Lambda Chapter at UNT and Texas Woman's University received the 2008 Mary Jo Lynch Distinguished Lecture grant. The \$2,000 cash award is co-sponsored by the Florida State University



Information Use Management and Policy Institute and Beta Phi Mu. Dr. Danny P. Wallace, Professor of Library and Information Studies at the University of Oklahoma and nationally recognized leader in the

> profession, delivered the grant sponsored lecture at the Beta Phi Mu breakfast held April 18, 2008, during the TLA conference. His lecture was titled "Using Technology to Effectively Serve Older Adults and Baby Boomers in Your Local Library."

## (student organization)

officers for 2008-09 Michelle Morris, president Veronica Ewing, vice-pres. Anna Perkins, secretary Marian Silva, treasurer Paul Andersen and Matthew Pierce, parliamentarians

**LISSA** 

### **HURRICANE IKE**

Many LIS students in the south Texas area were affected by Hurricane Ike, some displaced, others with property damage, and most with temporary or extended periods of power failure. Where necessity dictated, students enrolled in courses online were permitted to delay beginning their coursework with added time periods for completion at the end. Faculty member whose students were affected are being allowed to set an appropriate calendar. We send heartfelt concerns to all involved in this devastating tragedy.

### TUDENT **IEWS**

### **MASTER'S**

Renee Vevea, who will graduate in December 2008, has obtained a position as eCommerce Project Manager at InSite Software Solutions, Inc, Bloomington, MN. She reports that her employers were impressed with the coursework she has taken in LIS, such as data modeling, electronic databases, and internet applications.

### **DOCTORAL**

The California School Library Association has presented the President's Award to **Doug** Achterman, Library Media Teacher at San Benito High School, Hallister, CA. The award is given each year to an outstanding school librarian.



Doug Achterman

### "a bench by the road"

It was a memorable experience for doctoral student Lynne Simpson when the Toni Morrison Society asked her to assist with a reception following the placing of "a bench by the road" on Sullivan Island near Charleston, SC at the society's conference in July 2008. The island is considered to be the entry point of roughly 40% of the Africans brought to these shores for the purpose of enslavement. The term "bench by the road" came from an article in which Toni Morrison is referring to her novel



Beloved, noting "there is no suitable memorial or plaque or wreath or wall or park of skyscraper lobby where I can sit or you can sit in Charleston or Savannah or

Ivnne Simpson



New York or Providence or, better still, on the banks of the Mississippi" to think about those who made that journey. During the occasion, Toni Morrison read from her new novel, A Mercy. Lynne, who is a staff member at the Oklahoma State University library, was also asked to prepare a bibliography of journal articles, book chapters, books, and dissertations by and about Morrison published since 2006.



The UNT LIS Beta Lambda Chapter of Beta Phi Mu, the international library and information studies honor society, extended invitations to 29 students in summer 2008. Selection for membership is made by faculty invitation and is based on academic performance and professional promise. Only 25% of the graduating class who meet the criteria for selection can be considered. Students selected for summer 2007 represent a cross section of the LIS population: distant and in-residence students, students representing a variety of programs of study, and international students.

The summer 2008 inductees include:

#### Doctoral students

Kuka Koremura Mary Jo Venetis

### Master's students

Crystal Acosta Misty Allen Rachel Bhattacharyya Rhonda Brown Sharon Cardwell Christina Cooper Deanne Cromer Jason Francis Ne'Leigh Hamilton Miranda Johnson Tanya Johnson Juanita Kamalipour Stephanie Sanford Kinsella Allison Leeper Nancy Loeza Monica Merritt Jennifer Munoz Sara Oyarce Jennifer Sessions Peacock Leslie Roberts Faith Self Valerie Shelley Jennifer Simmons Jodi Vasquez Taciana Williams Joy Worland Kayebeth Zuloaga

### **SUMMER COMMENCEMENT**

### Bachelor

John Kody Willis, Ashley Camille Mackifield

Crystal Acosta, Mohammad Alajmi, Rosalind Alexander, Shannon Alexander, Misty Allen, Adam Amland, Alan Anderson (4.0), Joni Atha, Timothy Baldwin (4.0), Stephanie Bassinger, Cynthia Belden (4.0), Rachel Bhattacharyya, Wendy Binder, Megan Blackwell, Stacy Bosquez, Leslie Bradley, Joseph Bree, Rhonda Brown, Katie Buehner, Susan Byrne (4.0), Liliana Cano, Sharon Cardwell, Toby Casey, Karen Cecil, Laura Chapa, Christine Claiborne, Leah Cole, Daniel Compton (4.0), Christina Cooper, Sharon Cooper, Deanne Cromer (4.0), Jill Crossley, Garett Dacay, Diane Davis, Gerry Davis, Patricia De Winne, Lee Detzel, June Engel, Jason Francis, Lee Fulton (4.0), Mari Ann Gadra, Anna Garcia, Judith Gayle, Deidra Golden, Robert Haack, Ne'Leigh Hamilton, Elizabeth Hanisian, Lisa Heggeness, Margaret Honaker, Morgan Honeycutt (4.0), Stephan Horsthemke, John Hummel (4.0), Janie Irlbeck (4.0), Carolyn Johnson, Cloteel Johnson (4.0), Miranda Johnson (4.0), Tanya Johnson, Julie Jones, Jami Judge, Juanita Kamalipour, Staci Kimball Perkins, John Lamberth, Chastity Lawson, Megan Lederer, David Lee, Allison Leeper, Sarah Lerud, Fei Li (4.0), Nancy Loeza, Laura Luvera, Elizabeth Marek (4.0), Laci Martinez, Theresa Mbaku, Lindsay McCrary, Rita McLaughlin, Ann Medaille, Barbara Merrell, Monica Merritt (4.0), Richard Miles, Rebecca Morse, Shari Moya (4.0), Jennifer Munoz, Patricia Nesom, Madeline Noetzel (4.0), Jeanie Noggler, Sheila Ortega, Sara Oyarce, Colby Pennington Charlotte Pevoto, Renee Phillips (4.0), Heather Pilcher, Guadalupe Ponce, Angel Pritchett, Christine Ramsey (4.0), Tammy Rands, Michael Reagor (4.0), Francis Reyes, Yvonne Reyes, Leslie Roberts, Virginia Rodriguez (4.0), Stephanie Rose, Becky Rynas (4.0), Melissa Salnave, Stephanie Sanford Kinsella, Nancy Sears, Faith Self, Josephine Sena Gutierrez, Jennifer Sessions Peacock, Valerie Shelley, Jennifer Simmons, Mariah Smith, Yinka Sole, Chrystal Spybuck, Roxann Stevenson, Vanessa Swenson, Susan Tan (4.0), Hannah Tarver, Vera Lynne Tellman, Shawn Thompson (4.0), Jodi Vasquez (4.0), Rebekah Vickers, Akiko Wada, Brian Wages, Nora Wayman Baggaley, Andrea Wilder, Christine Willard, Elizabeth Williams, Taciana Williams, Adam Winger, Joy Worland (4.0), Anna Wright, Jessica Zaker, Deborah Zieman, Kaybeth Zuloaga.

PhD Yuka Koremura Mary Jo Venetis

## STUDENTS RECEIVE PRESTIGIOUS ARL **SCHOLARSHIPS**



Shaneka Morris



Ling Uong

Two LIS students, Sheneka Morris and Ling Uong, have received the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) prestigious Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce Scholarships for 2008-09. They will each receive a \$10,000 over a two year period to assist them in completing their master's degrees in library and information science. They also will attend a leadership training institute and be paired with a professional mentor. Additionally, they must commit to working two years after graduation at a research library designated an ARL Signature Institute. These libraries actively recruit librarians from racial and ethnic minority groups.

Sheneka received her BA in psychology from UNT in 2001. As an undergraduate she was in the UNT Honors College and the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, which encourages low-income undergraduates and those who are the first in their families to attend college to enter doctoral degree programs. As a master's degree student, Sheneka will conduct research on how professors teach, and how students use, graphic novels and comics in the classroom, particularly in the library science field. She is conducting research under the guidance of Dr. Elizabeth Figa, who wrote letters of recommendation for her.

Ling, a student in the Georgia Cohort, is currently a stay at home mother who was formerly employed at the University of Georgia libraries in the Cataloging Department, Database Maintenance and Acquired Cataloging Section serving as a Bibliographic Center coordinator. She also has worked at the Hall County (GA) Library System, Haines City (GA) Public Library, and the Chelonian Research Institute.

Michael Porter (MS '05) was selected as an ARL Diversity Scholar for the 2004-06 award year.

## ALUMNI NEWS ——

## LIS SPONSORED EDUCATIONAL TOUR FOR LIBRARIANS

In August 2008, Dean Herman L. Totten and LIS staff member Jurhee Curtis hosted a four-day education tour to New York City for eleven LIS alumni, spouses, and friends. Highlights included an extensive tour of the New York Public Library at a time when it was closed to patrons. The group was guided through the board room, the grand hall where the Gutenberg Bible and the original animals A.A. Milne gave to his son were displayed, and to the beautiful periodical room with its historic WPA paintings of New York City. "Each area was more beautiful than the last—rather like visiting an English palace," reported Ann Bracey (MLS '72), one of the tour attendees. A special treat was librarian Anne Garner's narrated tour of the rare manuscript and realia collection where the group saw many items not normally seen on library tours: a Shakespeare folio, the original manuscript of Clements' A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court (hand-written sheets at least 6 inches thick), a letter from Elizabeth Barrett Browning to Edgar Allen Poe regarding the publication of "The Raven" in England, Dickens' letter opener with Bob's paw as the handle, and much more.

At the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Watson Library, the group was shown a wide variety of resources to indicate how the library supports the museum's collection and research, followed by a wine reception in their honor. LIS alumna Jo Glenny (MS '01), who is responsible for the major communication pieces, invitations, huge posters, and other items for the Museum's public functions, was the group's tour guide at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. After escorting them to the rooftop garden to see the Koons "balloon"



Pictured: Ann Bracey, Beverly and Randy Tierce, Judy Yarborough, Wendy Robinson, Barbara Moulds, Sheri Fenton, Becky Russell, Herman Totten, Dewey Christian and Jurhee Curtis

sculptures and the backdrop of the New York City skyline over Central Park, they were shown the Super Heroes exhibit of life size characters such as Spiderman, Batman, Spider Woman, and others resplendent in their designer apparel. Jo then took the group to her office where they saw a variety of communications pieces that she and her staff produce. After a brief orientation concerning the various galleries, members were off on their own to browse the vast art collections.

Among the other events the members enjoyed were having meals at famous restaurants such as Tavern on the Green and attending a Broadway production of their choosing such as Jersey Boys, Little Mermaid, or In the Heights. In addition to Ann Bracey, other alumni attending the tour were Beverly Tierce (BA '73) and her husband Kenneth, Judy Yarborough (MLS '73), Wendy Robinson (BA '00), Barbara Moulds (MS '97), and Rebecca Russell (MS '96).

A LIS sponsored tour to Washington, D.C. is planned for summer 2009.

## **ALUMNI NEWS**

### **MELODY KELLY**

## President of the Texas Library Association



Melody Kelly with her mother at Staff Appreciation Day ceremony

Melody Kelly (MLS '73) became president of TLA in April 2008, at the end of the annual conference. As the association's president, Melody is the chief elected officer for the nation's largest state library organization and chairs the association's executive board and its governing body, the TLA Council. Through the Association she will work to support library funding throughout the state for school, public, special, and academic libraries, an important task during the upcoming legislative session.

Another important function during Melody's

presidential year is to encourage the identification and the development of implementation strategies that will carry forward the TLA's vision for transforming Texas libraries. In her President's Perspective column in the summer 2008 Texas Library Journal, Melody states, "Transforming is an exciting word to use—by transforming we become something we are not now; and through the transformation process we may evolve into something we can not even envision today." She further states that "true transformation will require: the shared recognition that there is a need for libraries to transform, the creation of a shared transformation vision, and a commitment to coalition building beyond our community of libraries."

An important function of the TLA president is to conduct the association's Annual Assembly, the work session of the organization that took place this year in July, and plan the annual conference held each spring. Melody's conference will be held in Houston, March 31 – April 3, 2009.

Melody has been associate dean of UNT libraries since 2001, following her tenure as the

library's head of government documents from 1984 to 2001 and other staff positions beginning in 1974. Her honors include the SLIS Distinguished Service Award in 2005, the Bernardine Abbott Hoduski Founders Award from the American Library Association in 2004, and the Knowledge is Power Award from the Texas Library Association and Marcive, Inc. in 2000. At the fall 2008 UNT Staff Appreciation Awards Ceremony, Melody was recognized for her 35 years of service to the University.

Other LIS faculty members who have served TLA as president include **Emeritus Professor Margaret Irby Nichols** in 1984-1985 and **Dean Herman L. Totten** in 2001-2002. **Dr. Yvonne Chandler** recently completed a three-year term as a representative at large member on the Association's executive board. LIS alumni who have served as TLA presidents include **Maurine Gray** (MLS '69) in 1974-75, **Mary Lankford**(BA '52) in 1975-76, **Charles Harrell** (PhD '88) in 1990-91, **Linda Allmand** (BA '61) in 1986-87, and **Gretchen Hoffmann** (MS '91) in 2005-06.

## **TLA LEADERS, 2008-09**

In addition to Melody Kelly serving as president of the nation's largest state library association, a number of other alumni and faculty members are serving leadership roles during the 2008-09 conference year. Members of the Executive Board include **Joyce** Baumbach (MS '93), Sue Compton (BA '82), and Maribel Garza-Castro (MS '03). Others include association committee chairs: Jeanne Pvle (MS '85), Awards; Leatrice (Lea) Bailev (MS '76), Bylaws and Resolutions; Dreanna Belden (MS '03) and Corinne Hill (MS '95), Conference Program co-chairs; Janis Test (MS '79), Library Partnerships; Victoria Kemp (MS '99), Membership; Elizabeth Philippi (MS '03), Nominating; Maurice Fortin (MLS '82), Professional Rights and Responsibilities; Cynthia Batman (MS '03), Publications; JoTisa Klemm (MS '90), Texas Book Festival; Miriam Rodriguez (MS '97), Texas-Mexico Relations. Vice-chairs include: Steve Seale (MS '99), Continuing Education and Development; Melinda Townsel, (MS '85), Cultural Diversity, Elizabeth Figa (LIS faculty), Disaster Relief; Jessica Wilcox (MS '98), Library Partnerships; Yunfei Du (LIS faculty), Professional Recruitment and Retention; Carolyn Davidson (MS '96), Professional

Rights and Responsibilities; Cherry Fuller (MLS '85), Public Relations; Molly Dahlstrom (MS '06), Scholarship and Research; Elizabeth Philippi (MS '03), Texas Media Awards; Loretta Bruns (MS '82), Woll Memorial Grant. Other officers include: Joyce Baumbach (MS '93), chair, Strategic Planning Task Force; Margaret Carroll (PhD student), chair-elect, Special Libraries Division; Willie Braudaway (MS '03), chair-elect Archives and Local History Round Table; Shelly Lane (MS '04), chair, Children's Round Table; Melissa Johnson (MS '00), chair-elect, Electronic Resources and Serials Management Round Table; Pamela Johnston (MS '96), chair, Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Round Table; Carmen Grant (MS '03) Library Services to the Spanish Speaking Round Table; Kay Bray (MS '94, PhD '03), chair, Media and Related Technologies Round Table; Karen Nichols (MS '88), chair-elect, Reference Round Table; D.L. Grant, Jr., (MS '05), chair-elect, District 10.\*

\*If names with positions have been left off, please notify the editor: Margaret Irby Nichols at nichols2514@charter.net

## MAURINE GRAY 1943-2008



Maurine Gray, who received the MLS from LIS in 1969, died June 21, 2008, from complications following a stroke. She served as director of the Beaumont Public Library for 40

years, retiring in 2006. At various times, she also served as the city's Director of Community Services. During her tenure as library director, her efforts led to a new main library, establishment of four branches, and restoration of the Tyrrell Historical Library, Beaumont's original library building. She also oversaw the library's recovery from the devastation resulting from Hurricane Rita in 2005. Maurine was president of the Texas Library Association in 1974-75, the youngest person ever to be elected to the position. She received the LIS Outstanding Alumni Award in 1980.

### IN MEMORIAM

Ted Drake, director of library services, South Campus, Tarrant County College College District, died September 12, 2008.

Eunice Garverick (BA '52), a resident of Las Cruces, NM, died August 16, 2008. Her career included positions as high school librarian in McCamey and Cisco, TX, librarian at Altus Air Force Base, Altus, OK, technical librarian at White Sands Missile Range, NM, and medical librarian at the Brooks School of Aerospace Medicine in San Antonio, TX.

Paula King's father, Paul Carter, died September 30, 2008. Her mother-in-law. Paul King's mother, died in Oregon less than three weeks later.

Dr. Shawne Miksa's 97 year old grandmother, Sherife Skutt, died September 30, 2008.

Linda Valdez (MS '98), a graduate of the Houston Program, died August 31, 2008.

We have also learned of the deaths of:

Dorothy Brewton (BA '43), Lake Kiowa, TX, June 24,

Bonnye Conroe (BA '49), Conroe, TX, April 22, 2008.

Zelma Hulse (BA '50), August 17, 2007.

Carol Roberts (MS '90), a student in the first LIS extension class in Lubbock, May 25, 2008.

Katrina Savage (MLS '65), Lubbock, TX, April 7, 2008.

## SANDRA NELSON RECEIVES MELVIL DEWEY MEDAL



Sandra Nelson (MLS '72) has received the prestigious 2008 Melvil Dewey Medal, the American Library Association award given in recognition of distinguished service to librarianship. The American Libraries article announcing

her as the latest medal recipient notes that "her efforts embody creative leadership of the highest order."

Sandra, an advocate for strong public libraries, is a nationally recognized consultant, speaker, trainer, and writer specializing in public library planning and management issues. She is a leader in the development of planning and management tools for public librarians and is the senior editor of the Public Library Association Results Series, an integrated library of planning and resource allocation manuals. She is author of four books in the series, including Strategic Planning for Results, the foundation of the series.

Sandra's first position after completing the LIS degree was as administrator of the Olney (TX) Project, one of the first successful mergers of a school and public library which continues to serve as a model for other such projects. She also has held positions in two state libraries, Arizona and Tennessee where she was assistant state librarian, and in the Phoenix Public Library. She became a part-time consultant in 1980 before establishing the Sandra Nelson Consulting firm in 1998.

Her other honors include the LIS Outstanding Alumna Award in 1999, the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies Professional Achievement Award in 1996, Arizona State Library Association Librarian of the Year in 1987, and the Arizona State Library Association President's Award in 1985.

Sandra's husband Charles Nelson (MLS '72) is manager of Legislation History and Microfilm sections of the Tennessee State Library and Archives. He also is an artist whose works are shown frequently in local galleries and art shows.

Dean Herman L. Totten received the Melvil Dewey Medal in 2001.

## ANNUAL EDUCATION **SERVICES CENTER REGION 20 FALL** ROUNDUP

Dr. Barbara Martin made a presentation titled "Mentoring the Next Generation of Librarians the UNT Way" at the Library Resource Fall Roundup of School Librarians in San Antonio, an annual event planned by LIS alumni Martha Rossi (MS '04). Among those who spoke at the Roundup were PhD student Richard Hasenyager, director of library services at North East ISD; alumni Mary Milligan (BA '75), librarian, St. Luke's Episcopal School; Faye Hagerty (MS '03), library specialist, Northside ISD; Kimberly Picozzi (MS '02), library consultant, Education Service Center Region 2; Lucia Podmore (MS '05), librarian, Jefferson Middle School, Northside ISD; and LIS Advisory Board member, Jana Knezek, director of library and textbook services, Northside ISD. Dr. Martin reported that there were many of our students and alumni in the group who made interesting remarks concerning the LIS school library program. A number commented on how difficult the courses were but how much they learned. There also were remarks from many potential students saying they knew that the UNT program is the best in the state and definitely recommended over others.

## **GLEN POURCIAU RECEIVES**

## **IOWA SHORT STORY AWARD**



Glen Pourciau (MS '92) is recipient of the 2008 Iowa Short Story Award for his collection titled Invite (University of Iowa Press, 2008) and is receiving high praise from critics and fellow writers such as Clay Reynolds. He also is recipient of the Carter V. Cooper Prize for Short Fiction and the Brazos Bookstore Award for Best Short Story from the Texas Institute of Letters, was cited in Best Short Stories, and has been nominated for Pushcart Prizes. He has published short stories in such magazines as the New England Review, Ontario Review, Mississippi Review, New Orleans Review, Cimarron Review, and Quarterly West. Glen and his wife Linda, also a LIS graduate (BA '72), live in Plano, TX, where he is manager of the Schimelpfenig (Public) Library. Even though his work keeps him very busy, he writes for a number of hours on weekends and often in the evenings.

### LIS ALUMNI SOCIETY BOARD

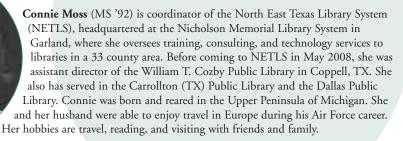
### Featured Members

Susan Elliott (MS '90) has been technical services director at Odessa (TX) College Learning Resources Center since 2000, where she earlier served as director of public services and as a paraprofessional. She is an active member of the Texas Community College Teachers Association and TLA; in 2004-05, she was TLA District 9 co-chair. Her BA degree is from Kansas Wesleyan University.

Corinne Hill (MS '95), associate director for technical services of the Dallas Public Library, regularly presents programs on library services, collection development, and new technologies. She was formerly Technical Services Manager at Denton Public Library. In 2004, she was named a

Mover and Shaker by *Library Journal*, and in 2005, was a delegate leader for Texas librarians participating in the People-to-People Ambassador Program to Russia. As an active member of TLA, she has served twice as Conference Program Committee co-chair as well as in other responsible positions. She is the past-chair of the ALA Reference and User Services Association, Collection Development and

Evaluation Section and recently served as a member of an External Review Panel for the Committee on Accreditation.



Martha Rossi (MS '04), is educational specialist for library services at Education Service Center, Region 20, where she supports the development and delivery of training and cooperative purchasing programs for librarians and schools. The Center, located in San Antonio, serves 51 school districts and ca. 300,000 students in 15 counties. She also consults and collaborates on the implementation of the Texas initiative to provide and integrate state-funded online resources to K-12 schools in partnership with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and the Texas Education Agency. Martha reports that she is energized by working with technology applications and system design. She says that following her parents around while growing up in Mexico and Brazil and joining Drs. Carol Simpson and Barbara Schultz-Jones in Thailand have kept her mindful of the needs for sensitivity and broad thinking.



## How many of these questions concerning LIS can you answer? Look up the answers and learn some of our 70 year history.

- 1. When were courses in library science first offered at UNT?
- 2. When was the Department of Library Service established?
- 3. When did the Department of Library Service become the School of Library and information Sciences?
- 4. When was Call Number started?
- 5. Which of the LIS 12 deans and interim deans served the longest period of time?
- 6. When was LIS first accredited by the American Library Association?
- 7. When was the LIS extension program at Texas Tech offered?
- 8. When did the Houston Program begin?

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Kathy Huber (MS '91), Tulsa (OK) City County Library, president; Carolyn Bogardus (MS'07), Port Isabel (TX) Public Library; Terry Clower (PhD '97), Assoc. Dir., UNT Ctr Economic Development; Susan Elliott (MS '90), Odessa (TX) College Library; Corinne Hill (MS '95), Dallas (TX) Public Library, UNT Exes representative; Sidney Lowe (MS '04), Research & Information head, university libraries, Las Vegas, NV; Leslyn McNabb (MS '02), Center for Disease Control, Atlanta, GA; Connie Moss (MS '92), NETLS; Martha Rossi (MS '04), Education Service Center, Region 20, San Antonio; Mariann Sears (MS '97) Thompson & Knight LLP; Margaret Irby Nichols, retired SLIS faculty/Call Number editor, ex-offico; Jurhee Curtis, UNT SLIS External Affairs, ex-officio.

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## RECRUITERS AT TLA DISTRICT MEETINGS

Alumni, students, faculty, and staff are participating in recruiting future students for the LIS program at the TLA fall district meetings held around the State.

District 1 San Angelo – Melody Kelly (MS '73)

District 2 Amarillo – Sharon Cooper (MS '08)

District 3 Round Rock – Sylvia Owens (MS '05)

District 4 Port Aransas – Carolyn Bogardus (MS '07)

District 5 Dallas – Yvonne Chandler (faculty)

District 6 El Paso – **Lisa and Sol Maria Lopez** (current students)

District 7 Colleyville – **Myrna Medina-Orbock** (staff)

District 8 Houston – **Jodi Philbrick** (MS '01) and

Ana Cleveland (faculty)

District 9 Lubbock – **Susan Elliott** (MS '90)

District 10 New Braunfels – **D.L. Grant** (MS 05)

### Answers (LIS Quiz, p 20)

- In 1925 three courses were offered by the librarian.
- 2. 1939
- 3. 1967
- 1939 and has been published continually since that time except for a two year hiatus in 1988 and 1989.
- 5. Dewey E. Carroll who served from 1973 to 1987
- 6. 1965-66 and reaccredited in 1976, 1984, 1991, 1998, and 2006.
- 7. 1988-1990
- 1991 and continues as an important LIS asset

## NEVADA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The LIS booth at the Nevada Library
Association Conference held August 14-16 was a
gathering place for LIS graduates where they were
warmly greeted by **Dr. Yvonne Chandler** and **Charlotte Thomas** (MS '06). LIS graduates who are
hold leadership roles in the organization are: **Jeanette Hammonds** (MS '06), director, Elko County Library,
association president; and **Nikki Winslow** (MS '05),
Las Vegas Community College Libraries, conference

chair. Others active in the association include: Patrick Griffis (MS '06), Tanya Brown (MS '06), Sidney Lowe (MS '04), and Debbie Jacobs (current student). All members of the 2007 Mining the 21st Century Librarian – IMLS scholars program attended the conference as part of their scholarship award. On August 17, the IMLS scholars attended a workshop on diversity and libraries where Dean Herman L. Totten delivered the opening presentation.



left to right: student Debra McCracken, student Joanne Taylor, student Laurel Curtis, Susan Gregg MS'06

## **ALUMNI UPDATE**

Send update information to Call Number editor Margaret Irby Nichols at nichols2514@charter.net/

### 19708

Scott Downing (MLS '72) retired in August 2008 from the Texas A&M University-Commerce Library where he worked for 36 years. He and his wife Diane Downing, who also retired from the TAMU-Commerce Library, will continue to live in Commerce.



Bobby Long

Bobby Long (MLS '74), director of the Central Park Campus, of Collin College McKinney, TX, has been appointed to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee to the South Central Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. She is the only community college representative on the committee that will include primarily librarians and library directors from schools of medicine and associated universities.

Marilyn Gell Mason (BA '68) retired as executive director of WebJunction on September 1, 2008. WebJunction, established by Marilyn in 2002 with a grant from the Bill and the Melinda Gates Foundation, is an online portal that provides training and technical support to library staff. She was the first recipient of the LIS Outstanding Alumna award in 1979. At that time, she was executive director of the first White House Conference on Libraries and Information Science. She also served as director of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library and the Cleveland Public Library and as an advisor to the president of OCLC.

She is a member of the LIS Advisory Board.



Robert Martin

Robert Martin (MLS '79) retired from Texas Woman's University School of Library and Information Science

Studies in August 2008 and will reside in Dallas. He has agreed to serve on the UNT Alumni Awards Selection Committee.

### 1980s

**Susan Allison** (MS '86) has been promoted to assistant director of the Richardson Public Library.

We recently learned that **Kay Lincycomb** (BA '80), children's librarian at Rowlett Public Library, published *Storytimes...Plus!* (Neal

## ALUMNI UPDATE



Storytimes....Plus!

Schuman, 2006), that contains 35 themed programs for three to six year olds for use in schools, libraries, and homes.

David Marsh (MS '87) has received the PhD degree in higher education administration from the University of South Carolina. He is currently library director for Charleston Southern University in Charleston, SC. In January 2009, he will move to Lander University in Greenwood, SC to serve as dean of library services. David published an article titled "The Way I See It,

Reflections of a Former CIO: Leadership Lessons Learned" in the October 2007 issue of ACRL News.



David Marsh

### 19908



Monika Antonelli

librarian, Minnesota State University, Mankato, has

Monika

Antonelli

(MS '92),

reference

been elected to serve a three-year term on the ALA Council, the Association's governing body.

Gayla Byerly (MS '98), along with UNT libraries colleagues Annie Downey and Lilly Ramin, published an article titled "Simple Ways to Add Active Learning to Your Library Instruction" in the summer 2008

issue of Texas Library Journal.

Abby Goodrum (PhD '97) holds the Velma Rogers Graham



Abby Goodrum

Research Chair - News, Media and Technology, School of Journalism, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



Andrea Green

Andrea Green (MS '91) is librarian for Remington College Houston Southeast Campus in Webster, TX.

She formerly worked as a public librarian in children/young adult services for the Memphis Public Library and later as a school librarian in Arlington (TX) ISD. "This is my first experience with a career/technical library," she says. "It has been exciting being the librarian here and opening a new library."

The National Endowment for the Humanities has chosen the UNT Portal to Texas History as one of the best online resources for education in the humanities. The online resource, which provides digital access to thousands of state historical documents and photos, is managed by the UNT Libraries' Digital Projects Unit. Cathy Hartman (MS '91), assistant dean for digital and information technologies, is founder of the project; Dreanna Belden (MS '03) serves as project coordinator for grants and development.

Corinne Hill (MS '95), formerly technical services manager at Denton (TX) Public Library, is now associate director for technical services at Dallas (TX) Public Library.

Etta Jones (MS '99) has accepted a position as the code compliance officer with The Man in the Mirror organization.

Janet Key (CAS), who retired from Tarrant County Community College System on May 2, 2008, completed a three-year term as TLA treasurer in April 2008.

Constance Moss (MS '92), formerly with the Coppell Public Library, is the new Coordinator at Northeast Texas Library System.



Tony New and dance partner

Tony New (MS '96), formerly technical services/systems librarian at Rowlett (TX) Public Library, is currently managing collection development and reference services at the Bedford (TX) Public Library. Earlier this year he won his third world championship title at the 2008 World Championships of Country Western Dance Contest, taking first place with his partner in the Newcomer Diamond Couples division. Last year he took first place in the Newcomer Diamond Male Line Dance and Newcomer Open Male Line Dance divisions.



Hilary Newman

Newman (MS '94), who has been with the service for 14 years, has been promoted to

Hilary

Vice President of Implementation Services at Innovative Interfaces. She has served in a broad range of positions-trainer, help desk manager, product manager, manager of the product development circulation team and, most recently, director of implementation services. Innovative describes itself as dedicating "its energies to meeting the needs of libraries and the challenges of library automation." They further state that they have "fulfilled this mission with firstrate services and products such as the Millennium integrated library platform, INN-Reach resource sharing, Electronic Resource Management, and the Encore

discovery services platform," serving libraries of all types in over 40 countries. Innovative is located in Emeryville, CA.

Christopher Shaffer (MS '94) became Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) librarian on



Christopher Shaffer

August 1, 2008. He was formerly assistant director for technology and outreach at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences, University of Iowa. The OHSU, Oregon's only health and research university and the State's only academic health center, is the repository of over 90,000 volumes, with over 20,000 books and journals available in electronic format. The University's announcement of Chris's appointment stated: "Having served for 15 years in library services for academic and health care institutions, Chris brings to OHSU a wealth of experience and innovative ideas for serving the information needs of OHSU faculty, researchers and students."

Stephen Smith (MS '96), who has been serving as a records manager for the past 12 years, has been with QVC in Westchester, PA since 2005. Stephen is a Certified Records Manager and a Certified Documents Imaging Architect.

Anna Teller (MS '95) is director of the Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Library.



Jeffrey Timbs

**Jeffrey** Timbs (MS '96) joined the Állen (TX) Public Library as its new director on May 1, 2008. He was

formerly library manager and assistant director of library services at Rowlett (TX) Public Library, as well as the library's staff liaison for the Library Advisory Board.

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## ALUMNI UPDATE

Ben Toon (MS '94), library manager at Fujitsu Corporation in Dallas, was a member of a program panel at the Special Library Association Texas Chapter annual meeting, held at SMU October 24, 2008. He discussed how he has implemented Web 2.0 capabilities within his own library structure and reviewed some up coming technology and how that may change the way we use social networks and Web 2.0.

DeAnza Williams (MS '99) has been appointed as area branch manager of the Madison branch library cluster of the Nashville (TN) Public Library. She has been a member of the Nashville Public staff since 2000 where she was a young adult librarian for five years and a branch manager for the last three years.

Adam Wright (MS '95) and others published "State Library Study on Statewide Interlibrary Loan" in the summer 2008 issue of Texas Library Journal. Adam is executive director of the North Texas Regional Library System.

### 2000-2004



Maribel Garza-Castro (MS '03) was one of the 14 Texas library advocates who participated in the ALA

National Maribel Garza-Castro Library Legislative Day. The team visited all 34 Washington offices of Texas congressmen and senators to make the case for increasing federal library funding support of certified school librarians and library programs, maintaining network neutrality, and continuing the Erate program. Earlier this year, Maribel was elected to a three-year term on the TLA Executive Board.

Valli Hoski (MS '01) has joined the Ex Libris Group (www.exlibrisgroup.com) as an implementation librarian responsible for training and library support in SFX and other ecollection management products. She says she is "a proud LIS

graduate." She occasionally teaches with Dr. Larry Enoch's dynamic LIS 5200.



Michele Lucero (MS '04), librarian relations manager, West, a Thomson Reuters Company, Los

Angeles, Michele Lucero received her MBA in strategic management from UNT in spring 2008. She began her Doctor of Education in organizational leadership with Pepperdine University in fall 2008.

Jennifer Smith (MS '02) is the 2007-09 chair of the TLA Texas Lone Star Reading List Committee and a member of the TLA Youth Adult Round Table Executive Board. She also has assumed the position of library liaison for the East Central Independent School District, San Antonio.

David Zopfi-Jordan (MS '01), librarian at the University of Minnesota Law Library, has been elected vice-president/presidentelect of the Minnesota Association of Law Librarians, a chapter of the American Association of Law Librarians. He also reports that his son William has turned double digits this year; he is now 10. David received an Outstanding Student Award from (LIS) Faculty in 2002.

## 2005 to date



Margaret Cincotta (Advanced Certificate in Management '06) has been appointed director of the Garden City

Margaret Cincotta

(NY) Public Library. She previously held positions in the East Meadow (NY) Public Library and was assistant library director for the Levittown (NY) Public Library.

Sherry Lamb (MS '08) is currently serving as an officer in the Houston Area Catholic School Librarian Association and is scheduled, along

with current student Janelle Drymalla, to manage a LIS recruiting booth at the organization's upcoming conference in February 2009.

Sheryl Stoeck (MS '07), librarian at Sandra Day O'Connor School, Northside ISD (San Antonio, TX) has been selected by the Kosciuszko Foundation to teach English at a UNESCO summer program in Poland.

Eric Terry (MS '05), youth services librarian, East Arlington (TX) Branch Library, states in an interview that appeared in startelegram.com/arlington July 23, 2008, about being a librarian, "Every day I get to learn something new and every day is different." The article concerned his library's involvement in the Texas Summer Reading Club that creates an incentive for people to read. Terry, formerly with the Wichita Falls (TX) Public Library, recently moved to Arlington with his wife Allison, daughter Madison and son Donovan, ages 12 and 8.

Mary Jo Venetis (PhD '08) reports that in May 2008 Beta Phi Mu selected her to receive a Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship amounting to \$3,000, which helped to defray some of her dissertation survey and statistical services costs. She defended her dissertation in May and received the PhD at August 2008 graduation. Mary Jo is serving on the TLA Task Force on Transforming Libraries and also has been selected to serve on the ALA Association for Library Collections & Technical Services Outstanding Collaboration Citation Jury. She was a presenter at the 2008 TLA conference for the TALL Texans program titled "Going Beyond to Become a Strong Leader."

Other new positions: Mary McCoy (MS '06), director at Lamar State College-Orange library; Tessa Li Powell (MS '07), library director at Wade College, Dallas, TX; Robert Bartlett (MS '06), medical information specialist, Methodist Hospital San Jacinto (Baytown, TX), The Family Practice Center. Renee

Vevea, who is graduating in December 2008, has accepted a position as eCommerce Project

Manager in Minneapolis, MN.

New positions for summer 2008 MS graduates:

Chrystal Acosta, librarian, Burleson Elementary, El Paso (TX) ISD; Tomothy Baldwin,

librarian, Mountain View College, Irving TX; Joseph Bree, ILL supervisor, Weber State University, Ogden, UT; Rhonda Brown, librarian, Shorehaven Elementary, Garland (TX) ISD; Karen Cecil, library assistant, Harrington Library Consortium, Amarillo, TX; Sharon Lee Cooper, Tradewind Elementary, Amarillo (TX) ISD;

Peggy (Margaret) Honaker, (MS '03) librarian, Fisher Elementary, Frisco (TX) ISD; Tanya Johnson, librarian, Williams Elementary School, Houston (TX) ISD; Allison Leeper, librarian, Gunstream



Elementary, Frisco (TX) ISD; Sara Lerud, English teacher Valley City High School, Valley City, ND;

Lindsay Sara Lerud

McCray, librarian, Coppell (TX) ISD; Luci Martinez, stacks manager, UNT Health Science Center Library, Fort Worth; Ann Medaille, reference librarian, University of Nevada Reno; Monica Merritt, Branch Elementary, Bryan (TX) ISD; Colby Pennington, records analyst, Travis County Clerk Records Management, Cedar Park, TX; Lief Pierson, librarian, North Central Texas College, Corinth;

Virginia Rodriguez, librarian, Robert B. Sewell

Elementary, Sachse (TX) ISD; Faith Self, district librarian, Childress (TX) ISD;

Jennifer Stieb Simmons,

Jennifer Simmons with Dr. Figa library technical

services, Anderson County (SC) Library; **Shawn Thompson**, library aide, Gruver (TX) ISD; Deborah



Kayebeth Zuloaga

Zieman, teacher, Stratford (TX) ISD; Kayebeth Zuloaga, Dowell Elementary School, El Paso, ISD.

### ALUMNI WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND

Over the years, we lose touch with some of our alumni. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following persons, please send information to Jurhee Curtis at Jurhee.curtis@unt.edu. This is a partial list, to be continued in an upcoming spring issue of the *Call Number*.

- 1901 Austin, Joyce M (BA)
- 1941 Kirtley, Gladys (BA) Smith, D. Palmer (BA)
- 1943 Doll, M. Frances (BA)
- 1944 Russo, Ferrell E (BA)
- 1945 Clayton, Jane (BA) Grizzard, Mary (BA)
- 1946 Randal, Agnes A (BA) Yoas, Billie Jean (BA)
- 1947 Grubb, Elizabeth (BA) Linn, Dorotha (BA)
- 1948 Bolling, Ruth Shelton (BA) Mitchell, Aubrey (BA)
- 1949 Blummer, Doris Christine (BA) Garrison,M Bassett (BA) Gregoire,Parker (BA) Ray, Helen (BA) Williams, Mary Jo (BA)
- 1950 Harris, Janice Pickle (BA) Liddell, Maude Voncil (BA) Mc Cool, Estelle (BA) Wall,Mildred (BA)
- 1951 Baker, Annie Belle (BA) Cloud, Jean (BA) Johson, Elizabeth (BA) Korioth, Margaret A B (BA)
- 1952 Bond, Mary Yvonne (BA) King, Lynn (BA)
- 1953 Coale, Marcia (BA) Gentle, Velma Maxine (BA) Ralston, Louise (BA)
- 1954 Chancellor, Josephine (BA) George, Mary Jo (BA) Mc Kinney, Shirley H (BA)
- 1954 Myers, Alma S (BÁ) Wahl, Ruby (BA)
- 1955 Fambrough, Evelyn W (BA)
- 1956 Stone, Nancy Pat (BA) Tebbetts, Letha (BA)
- 1958 Hodges, Martha Francis (BA)
- 1959 Clark, Jimmie Ed (BA) Jackson, Harold K (BA)
- 1962 Arden, William P Pool (BA)
- 1962 Couch, Scott (BA)
- 1963 Blazi, L L Belz (BA) Lestrel, Dagmar C (BA)
- 1964 Anderson, Stella Ruth (BA) Bolton, Jerilynn (BA) Brown, Janette (BA) Smith, Wayne T (BA)
- 1965 Cockrell, Mary Barbara (BA), Johnson, Janet Pamela (BA), Rhew, David (BA)
- 1966 Copeland, Vivian (BA) Cowart, Judith A (BA) Wilson, May Pearl (BA)
- 1967 Denney, Alma J (BA) Elliott, Charlynne C (BA) Lane, Walker Scott (BA)
- 1968 Bird, William Andrew (MS) Brunner, Michael S (MS) Ghate, Asha P (BA) Heineke, Charles David (BA) Hughes, Mary Jane (BA)

- Landtroop, Linda G (BA) Materka, Doris H (BA) Sharp, Omer Jaye (BA)
- 1969 Sanders, Jane A L (BA)
- 1969 Wilcox, Kathryn (BA)
- 1970 Gorman, Kenneth G (BA) Haley, Bobbie L (BA) Rasor, John H (MS) Starkes, Betty Jo Tanzy (BA)
- 1971 Farni, Janet Ruth (BA) Kastritsis, Patricia (BA) Tcheng, Lien-Lin (BA) Wilson, Lois Marie (BA)
- 1972 Allen, Joan Wardner (MS) Fritsche, Glenn Carleton (MS) Pool, Barbara S. Y. (BA) Shipman, Eleanor D. R. (BA) Smith, Mary Louise (BA)
- 1973 Gengnagel, Ronald M (BA) Ricketson, Emory Lee (BA) Wilborn, Gwendolyn B (BA)
- 1974 Ajala, Mabel Olu (MLS)
  Dansby, Laura Bernice (MS)
  Heigh, Timothy (BA)
  Khorramzadeh, Heshmat (MLS)
  Kromi, Edythe D (MLS)
  Paul, Toni Rae (BA)
- 1975 Chani-Mui, Ng Rebecca (MLS) Taylor, Karen L (BA) Woodard, Charles B (BA)
- 1976 Blucker, Daniel M (MLS) Pelley, Ruby Lee (BA)
- 1977 Donaldson, John A (BA) Huang, Li-Tyze Katie (MS) Stephenson, Mary Sue (PHD)
- 1978 Lolley, John Louis (BA) Stump, Jeanne Marie (BA)
- 1979 Figg, Candace G B (MLS)
- 1980 Bohlen, James Allen (MLS) Chung, O Jeeru (BA) Loesch, Marie Teresa (BA)
- Newberry, Teresa Jane (MS) 1981 Davis, Marsha Ann T (BA) Matthews, Betty (MS)

Speer, Nancy Jean (MS)

- 1982 Ahmadi, Gila (BA) Bullock, Emmy Ruth (MS) Huang, Jui-Chung (BA) Jun, Herbert (BA)
- 1983 Deken, Debra Lynn (BA) Hammon, Louise Lydia (MS) Kurmei, Philip Kipkoech (BA) Lyons, Melinda Louise (MS) Pinkston, John Lynn (MS)
- 1984 Bishop, Betty Jean (MS)
  Chacon De Perez
  Gladys Amanda (MS)
  Chuang, Chien-Kuo (MLS)
  Dykstra, Christiann (MLS)
  Hoover, Kathryn Jane (MS)
  Jordan, Kathryn H (MS)
  Kendrick, Alana E (MLS)
  Neeley, Patricia Ann (MLS)
  Wilkinson, Gayle Thomas (MLS)

1985 Chiu, Kwok-Ying Ida (MS)
Duncan, Kathryn (MS)
Golden, Diana Lynn (MS)
Jamison, Laura Lee (MLS)

Yang, Kae-Jia (MS)

Jamison, Laura Lee (MLS) Jordan, Joan Anita (MLS) Kirwan, Michael D (MS), Larremore, Robert John (MLS) Toth, Sally K Bohon (MS)

Williams, Carole Elaine (MS)

- 1986 Anthony, Leland DeWitt (MS) Geddert, Jacob E (MS) Han, Yun-Ting (MS) Lee, Ming-Ying Sarah (MS) Saridi, Jaiton Z (MS)
- 1987 Brown, Linda Sue (MS) Jungkuntz, Andrea Ruth (MS) Nicholson, Vicki Lynn (MS) Padgett, Donna Virginia (MS) Stein, Heidi Gale (MS)
- 1988 Ellis, Hazel Zulita (MS) Haji Pg Abdul Razak Dg Salwah Ul Razak (BS) Koo, Suk-Fong (MS) Olaniyi-Oke, Thomasina (MS) Shirazi, Mary Cecelia (MS)
- 1989 Bullock, Jerry Lynn (MS)
  Coompanthu, Sininthorn (MS)
  Pegueno, Edith S. (MS)
  Roberts, Roxcine Lois (MS)
  Thienhom, Vimolsuda (MS)
- 1990 Ali, Mahdi Ahmad (MS)
  Anderson, Meredith Lou (MS)
  Cole, Teresa Lynn (MS)
  Hayden, Myra Jean H (MS)
  Park, Hyun-Joo (MS)
  Phillips, Casey Robert (MS)
  Pitt, Janine E (MS)
  Simpson, Jodi Kathleen (MS)
- 1991 Bao, Erin Roberson (MS)
  Bartoletti, Robin W (MS)
  Cox, Laura Jean (MS)
  Fesler, Dorothy Susan (MS)
  He, Peter Wei (MS)
  Ku, Hug-Teh (MS)
  Le Tain, Anne Marie (MS)
  Lowery, Merry Elizabeth (MS)
  Paschall, Freedonia (MS)
  Tameem, Jamal Abbas (PHD)
- 1992 Banks, Ronnie Wayne (MS)
  Cary, Sharon K (BS)
  Davis, Dorothy F (PHD)
  Dettmer, Genevieve A (MS)
  Ghassemi, Ali (MS)
  Marshall, Eunice Anne (MS)
  Moazzami, Michelle (MS)
  Wang, Der-Yeu (MS)
- 1993 Alcala, Rosella R (MS)
  Brannigan, Gypsy Michele (MS)
  Choi, Jae Hwang (MS)
  Chung, Yun-Miao (MS)
  Doss, Nancy Ann (MS)
  Emberlin, Anita Fern (MS)
  Ewing, Keta Lavoyce (MS)

- Miller, Bobbie Joan (MS) Ragan, Debra Ruth (MS) Raychavdhuri, Pradipta B (MS) Rutter, Julie Anne (MS)
- 1994 Eagan, Cynthia Louise (MS)
  Garza, Ellen Hudson (MS)
  Hackett, Sabrina Dionne (MS)
  Hansen, Lucia Landt (MS)
  Keys, Patricia Lynn (MS)
  Lee, Patricia Ann (MS)
  Rudder, Mary Margo (MS)
  Snyder, Janet Lynn (MS)
- 1995 Acker, Jennifer L (MS)
  Comerford, Kevin James (MS)
  Davis, Stacey Ann (MS)
  De Los Santos, Lynda Diane (MS)
  Gierson, Barton (MS)
  Gotcher, Nancy C (MS)
  Horter, Janica Marie (MS)
  Keenan, Martha Runner (MS)
  Kenyon, Jon Michael (MS)
  Kim, Young (MS)
  Long, Pamela Adoree (MS)
  Moody, Dorothy Anne (MS)
  Perry, Sharon Kay (MS)
- 1996 Frazier, Ramona C (MS) Liang, Ji H (MS) Mapel, Amy Denise (MS) Smith, William Loyd (MS) Yi, Myongho (MS)
- 1997 Bogert, Michele Irene (MS)
  Graves, Yasma Yvette (MS)
  Lemon, Chanda (MS)
  Peters, Rachel Rebecca (MS)
  Stokes, Charity Kay (MS)
  Tweesubchai, Phandao (MS)
  Wilhite, Sheryl W (MS)
  Win, Yuau-Zon (MS)
- 1998 Chiu, Lai-Wan (MS)
  Drago, Margaret Lee (MS)
  Fundis, Margaret Ruth (MS)
  Gay, Suzanne Sandlin (MS)
  Longbrake, Julia (MS)
  Miller, Katherine Ann (MS)
- 1999 Coleman, Margaret Rose (MS) Goodvin, Renee (MS) Hiller, Heinz Robert (MS) Lopatovska, Irene V (MS) Marcee, Alice Kay (MS) Neal, Karen Marie (MS)
- 2000 Ludington, Alicia Bea (MS) Sartorius, Ellen Jeanne (MS) Shearer, Denine Aurora (MS) Stone, Amie Victoria (MS) Veronin, Michael Andrew (PHD)
- 2001 Ambrosino, Maureen Rene (MS) Hipp, Amanda Leigh (MS) Shamo, Esmaeel Ebraheem (PHD) St Claire, Kathryn Louise (MS) Waletzki, Sarah Louise (MS) Warren, Pamela Jean (MS)

List will continue in the spring issue of Call Number.

## **ADVANCEMENT**

### LIS DONATIONS

American scholar William Arthur Ward once said that "feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." I never want to be guilty of withholding my sincerest gratitude from you, LIS's esteemed donors. I am a firm believer in expressing what is in my heart, and I never want to be negligent in expressing what I sincerely feel. Those of you who know me best know that I am seldom at a loss for words. However, there are two words that I feel I must never forget to include when I speak to you. The two words are "Thank you!" Your generosity allows LIS to fulfill its dreams, meet its goals, and kindle its hopes for a future as illustrious as its past. With all my heart, thank you for your unfailing generosity. May you feel the warmth of my words as I wrap them in gratitude and give them to you now.

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#### 1950's

Mary Bender, BA '59 Sharon Brown, BA '59 Shirley Burns, BA '58 Gail Harper, BA '59 Shirley Semler, BA '59 Alice Taylor, BA '56 Travis Tyer, BS '59 Flora Wilhite, BA '53 Oleta Wittenmyer, BA '54

### 1960's

Linda Allmand, BA '61 Margaret Cox, BA '61 Linda Dugger, BA '67 Kathryn Edwards, MS '63 David Engelhardt, BA '67 Sondra and Ken, BM '63 Ferstl Enid Gray, BA '69 Noe Guerra, BA '68 Jo Kimbro, BA '68 Janet, BA '69 and John Kirby Ellen Massengill, MS '69 Karen McDonald, BA '69 Hilda McLaughlin, BA '62 Clarissa Metzger, BA '61 Frances Perry, BA '68 Margaret Perry, BA '68 Elizabeth, BA '61 and Jack Polk Elaine Reeves, BA '69 Merwin Taylor, MLS '65

#### 1970's

Carole Almquist, BA '71 Deborah Baker BS '76 Robert Bertrand, MS '72 Bernard Bennett, MS '75 Sherilyn Bird, MS '70 Carmella Blackmon, BA '78 Vester Box Jr., MS '78 Ann Bracey, MS '72

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