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## Tulane Institutes Knowledge Center

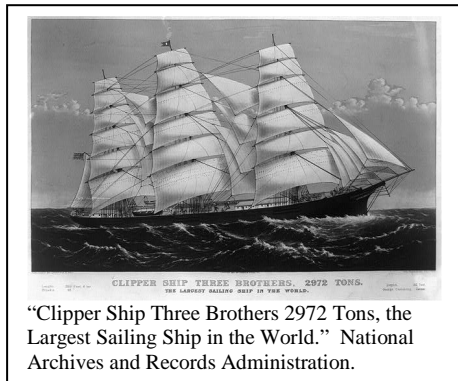
Last year, the Howard-Tilton Library at Tulane University received a federal grant to fund the Knowledge Center, a new program that provides outreach services to New Orleans Public Schools teachers. The Knowledge Center is part of a non-profit corporation, Online Louisiana, jointly sponsored by Tulane and LSU.

Through the project, teachers receive access to databases, curriculum resources and reference help from Tulane librarians. A Web portal designed for the Knowledge Center will utilize digital reference technologies that connect librarians with the teachers in real time. For further information on the Knowledge Center, contact Penny at 504-247-1260; or see the Web site at <http://olkc.tulane.edu>.

## Literacy at Sea

*Betsy Miguez, University of Louisiana Lafayette*

Ashley Bonnette, Bibliographic Instruction/Distance Learning Librarian, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, served as Assistant Librarian aboard the *S.S. Universe Explorer* on the Spring 2004 voyage of Semester at Sea.



The program is sponsored by the Institute for Shipboard Education and the University of Pittsburgh. Ashley worked with the ship's 13,000-volume library during the 15-week program.

Ashley also participated in field/port programs at ten port cities around the world. She returned to Seattle, Washington, on April 26, 2004.

## Information Literacy Workshop at ULL

*Beth Namie*

The statewide workshop, "Information Literacy: Time for a Comprehensive Plan" was held at ULL's Dupré Library on January 7, 2005. Fifty-five participants from thirty-two of Louisiana's academic institutions attended this daylong workshop sponsored by ACRL/LA and the LALINC Information Literacy Committee. The workshop facilitators, Joanna Burkhardt and Mary MacDonald, from the University of Rhode Island, led the participants through the process of writing an information literacy plan and all of the components necessary in a "model" plan using a workbook the presenters had written. The goal of this workshop was for participants to leave with an outline for a draft plan at their home institution. One participant commented afterwards: "I believe that I now have the tools necessary to finally put my information literacy plan on paper."

## Tulane to Host Secretariat of SALALM

Beginning in September 2005, Tulane University will host the Secretariat of the Seminar for the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM). Hortensia Calvo, the Doris Stone Director of Tulane's Latin American Library, will serve as the SALALM Executive Secretary.

## President's Message

Don Smith, University of Louisiana—Monroe

It seems that the more things change, the more they stay the same. More than 30 years ago, I began my professional career as a full-time library instruction librarian. Now the entire profession is involved in information literacy, a new name for an old idea but updated to use today's resources. I enjoyed this first position so much that I am looking forward to getting back into that activity but on a library-wide and campus-wide basis.

Instead of a regular conference this year, LA/ACRL co-sponsored an information literacy workshop with the LALINC Information Literacy Committee. Mary C. MacDonald and Joanna M. Burkhardt of the University of Rhode Island presented this one-day workshop on January 7, 2005 at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. This workshop is one of the most useful ones available.

Because we co-sponsored this workshop, LA/ACRL members were entitled to 30 of the 60 spaces in the workshop. The importance of this topic to our profession and to our Board of Regents was apparently clear to members as all those spots were filled. Participants took back valuable information and materials to their libraries to expand their information literacy roles.

Another thing to do in this space is to congratulate Edward Iglesias on his election to the Vice-President/President-Elect office in LA/ACRL. I know we can look forward to a productive year.

### The Writers' Block

✍ Four librarians at Edith Garland Dupré Library, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, collaborated on a book entitled *Newberry & Caldecott Awards: A Subject Index*. Linworth Publishing, Inc., published the book in December 2003. The index serves as a convenient reference tool for librarians, educators, parents, and students seeking Newberry and Caldecott award-winning books on specific topics. Denise Goetting, Susan Marshall Richard, Sheryl Moore Curry, and Betsy Bryan Miguez are the authors of the index.

✍ The Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities has named the 2003 publication *Buildings of Louisiana*, by Karen Kingsley, Curator of the Tulane Southeastern Architectural Archive, as one of two to receive its annual "Book of the Year" awards.

✍ Judith Haydel, ULL Reference Department, contributed the entry "John Appleton, Chief Judge of Maine" to *Great American Judges: An Encyclopedia*, which was published in 2003 by ABC-CLIO, and she is a peer-reviewer for *Louisiana History*.

✍ Betsy Miguez, ULL General Reference Librarian, is the author of "Anne Rice," an entry in the Dictionary of American Biography, volume 292, *Twenty-First-Century American Novelists*.

✍ Hortensia Calvo, Doris Stone Director of the Latin American Library at Tulane University's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, recently published the following article: "The Politics of Print: The Historiography of the Book in Early Spanish America." *Book History* Volume 6, 2003 (pp. 277-305).

✍ *African American Literature: A Guide to Reading Interests*. Edited by Alma Dawson and Connie Van Fleet. Westport, Conn.: Libraries Unlimited, 2004.

## Who? What? Where?

### at Tulane

**Hayden Battle** began working as the Assistant Head of Access Services at the Howard-Tilton Memorial Library at Tulane University in September 2003. Hayden received his MLIS at the University of South Carolina and also has a Master of Arts in Military History also from USC.

**Leon Miller**, Manuscripts Librarian at Tulane University's Howard-Tilton

Memorial Library, was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Academy of Certified Archivists. The award was formally presented in August 2004, at the ACA's meeting in Boston.

**Karen Kingsley**, Curator of the Southeastern Architectural Archive at Tulane University, curated an exhibit entitled "Louisiana on the Rise: Skyscrapers Past and Present," featuring drawings and architectural models from the SEAA collections. Dr. Kingsley was assisted by Kevin Williams, Library Associate in the SEAA, and students from the Tulane School of Architecture.

**Felice Maciejewski**, Head of Access Services at the Howard-Tilton Memorial Library is a mentor for the "Leaders of the Pack" Program for LAMA/ALA. This is a three-year mentoring project in which ten participants are selected as protégés and matched with a mentor. The protégés received a travel stipend to attend the 2004 Midwinter and Annual meetings, a one-year LAMA membership, and were also appointed to a LAMA committee. **Felice** was also appointed the LAMA representative for "Team 2005"-2005 Conference Programming Team.

**Jeannette Thompson**, Database Management/Authority Control Librarian at Tulane University's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, served as Co-Chair/Secretary of the Voyager Music Users' Group at its meeting during the Music Library Association Annual Meeting, Feb. 14, 2004, Washington, DC. **Jeannette** presented a poster session, "Cataloging Statistics from Voyager Data", at the EndUser (Endeavor Users Group) annual conference, Apr. 14-16, 2004, Chicago, IL.

In July 2004, **Rebecca R. Malek-Wiley**, Principal Cataloguer and bibliographer for classical studies and religious studies at Tulane's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, began a one-year term as secretary of ACRL's Western European Studies Section (WESS).

**Kate Montgomery**, Digital Services Librarian and **Ariana French**, Web Analyst in Tulane's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, gave a poster session entitled "Web Applications As Tools for Improving Internal Communication Within the Library," at the LITA National Forum on October 10, 2004 in St. Louis, MO.

**Ed Rock**, Information Services Librarian (Humanities)/Digital Reference Coordinator in Tulane's Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, has been appointed to the LALINC Digital Reference Committee for the term 2004-2006. **Ed** was also a member of a panel presentation at the LUC Conference on Oct. 19, 2004, entitled: "Digital Reference Initiatives In Louisiana" offered by Tulane, LSU and SLU on the academic libraries providing synchronous, virtual reference services in the state.

**Paul Bary**, Reference Librarian & Bibliographer in the Latin American Library at Tulane University, chairs the serials working group of the ARL/CRL Latin American Research Resources Project (LARRP). On December 7, 2004, in Washington, D.C. he reported to the advisory committee on the progress of the Latin American Periodicals Tables of Contents (LAPTOC) database, which he coordinates. LAPTOC is a searchable database of the tables of contents of more than 800 Latin American journals, primarily in the humanities and social sciences, and the database is freely available at: [http://www1.lanic.utexas.edu/query/basic\\_search.jsp](http://www1.lanic.utexas.edu/query/basic_search.jsp).

### at ULL

**Lance Chance**, **Sheryl Moore Curry** and **Susan Marshall Richard** have received a \$36,834 STEP (Student Technology Enhancement Program) grant to provide Dupré Library with a server and to upgrade computers in the Reference Online Center and the Bibliographic Instruction Lab.

**Sherry T. Broussard**, Special Projects Librarian, recently received a plaque from the veterans of American Legion Post number 504 for her work on the Library of Congress Veterans History Project.

**Chris Gilcrease**, General Reference Librarian, has received a Schlesinger Fellowship, which will fund his travel expenses to conduct research at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston. He is working with Tulane professor Dr. James Huck. Their research topic is "Anglo-American Diplomacy and the Cuban Missile Crisis."

**Judith Haydel** has joined the Reference Department at Dupré Library, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. She received an MLIS from LSU in June 2002, having completed the entire curriculum through distance education, a first for her as well as for LSU's School of Library and Information Science.

## Renew today!

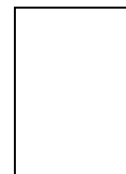
Our 2004/2005 membership year began last July. If you have not already renewed, the time is now! For more information and to renew, see our website:  
[http://library.mcneese.edu/acrl/membership\\_form.htm](http://library.mcneese.edu/acrl/membership_form.htm).

Thanks!

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