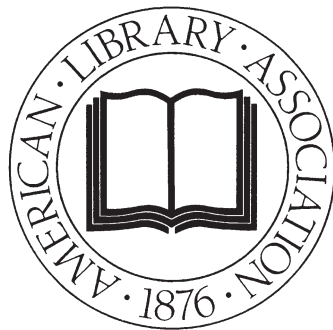


AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL BALLOT 2007



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BYLAWS AMENDMENTS**

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TO: THE ALA MEMBERSHIP
FROM: Keith Michael Fiels, Secretary of the Council
DATE: March, 2007
RE: **PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALA BYLAWS**

The following amendments to the ALA Bylaws have been approved by ALA Council for referral to the Membership for ratification in accordance with the ALA Constitution, Article XI. Any text to be deleted is shown in [brackets]; new text to be inserted or substituted is underlined.

ALA Policy 4.8 states “Amendments to the Constitution and/or Bylaws, when placed on the ballot, will be accompanied by pro and con statements of not more than 250 words each, such statements to be prepared by two Council members (who voted on opposite sides of the issue as indicated by their voting record) appointed by the president.”

**ITEM #1 –
BYLAW AMENDMENT TO ALLOW FOR THE REPORTING OF ALL CANDIDATES’ NAMES
IN AMERICAN LIBRARIES.**

ACTION – To amend ALA Bylaw Article III. Nominations and Elections. Section 2(a). by deleting the current language [The ALA Nominating Committee shall report its nominations in the *American Libraries* not less than three weeks before the midwinter meeting of the Council. At that meeting, the names of the candidates shall be announced.] and replacing it with The ALA Nominating Committee shall report its nominations at the midwinter meeting of the Council. The final list of the candidates’ names shall be reported in *American Libraries*.

PRO:

The purpose of this amendment is to remove discrimination against petition candidates that exists in the current Bylaws. The current Bylaws provide for publication in *American Libraries* of only the nominated candidates. This proposed amendment would provide equality for both. This proposed amendment does not preclude *American Libraries* from also publishing the list of nominated candidates. Those individuals who may be making their decision to petition to run, based upon the list of nominated candidates, will still have the opportunity to do so. This amendment provides more complete information to the membership and is consistent with Bylaws Article III, Section 3(b). The final list of candidates will be available prior to the election. (Thaddeus P. Bejnar, New Mexico Chapter Councilor)

CON:

As ALA President-Elect and President (2003-04/2004-05) I worked closely with the ALA Nominating Committee to make sure that nominations were submitted in a timely manner so that ALA members would have sufficient time to make decisions about upcoming elections.

This proposed change in the Bylaws would affect some of the most important offices held within our association. The Nominating Committee makes nominations for the office of President-elect, Treasurer, and Members-at-Large of the ALA Council, ALA’s governing body. The way the Bylaws currently read, the nominations are published in *American Libraries* prior to the Midwinter Meeting, typically in the January issue. That way ALA members are able to see the information well in advance of Midwinter, giving them plenty of time to make informed decisions about the candidates.

If the proposed change in the Bylaws is approved, nominations would not be announced until the Midwinter Meeting, a meeting that is attended by a relatively small percentage of ALA members. The proposed change also states that the “final list of the candidates’ names shall be reported in *American Libraries*,” but does not make it clear when that would occur. If it did not occur until after the Midwinter Meeting, published perhaps in the February issue of *American Libraries*, members would receive their notification of the candidates much later than they have in the past – truly a disservice to our membership. (Carol A. Brey-Casiano, ALA Past President)

CAST YOUR VOTE ON THE BALLOT #1 YES OR #2 NO

ITEM #2 –

BYLAW AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH A CLOSING DATE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP LIST IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A CUT-OFF DATE FOR VOTING ELIGIBILITY.

ACTION: To amend ALA Bylaw Article III. Nominations and Elections, Section 4. by renumbering Section 4(b) to Section 4(c) and inserting a new Section 4(b) to read as follows:

For every election of the Association, the Committee on Election shall establish a closing date for the membership list. Only members in good standing on that date shall receive a ballot and shall be entitled to vote.”

PRO:

Currently the Bylaws are silent on the last date to join ALA to be eligible to vote in the election. The new section of the Bylaws establishes the clear process where that date will be established. This has been an issue of discussion and concern for the last several election cycles and there have been challenges to decisions made on this issue. I strongly encourage members to approve this addition to the Bylaws. (Michael Golrick – Councilor-at-Large)

CON:

There were no dissenting votes in Council.

CAST YOUR VOTE ON THE BALLOT #3 YES OR #4 NO

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION ON ALA NOMINEES 2007
AND
STATEMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL CONCERNS

The following are biographical statements submitted by ALA nominees relating to their professional activities. Specific information was requested and staff does not take responsibility for editing information requested and/or submitted. Listings include only organizations or units in which offices are presently or have been held. Candidates for the office of President-Elect were asked to submit statements of concern of approximately 300 words; Council candidates, 150, in accordance with Council policy. Numbers preceding names correspond to the names on the ballot.

PLEASE FILL OUT THE BALLOT AND RETURN IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE BY APRIL 24, 2007. Please vote only for the number of candidates indicated on the ballot.

5. NANCY A. DAVENPORT, Interim Director for Library Services, District of Columbia Public Library.

EDUCATION: West Virginia University, B.S., 1969; University of Pittsburgh, M.L.S., 1971.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, 1999-2002; ALA Executive Board 2002-2005; Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Chair 2000; ALA Membership Committee 1985-1986; PIO Advisory Committee, member 1994-1995; National Library Week Committee, member 1989-1992, Chair 1992. ALCTS, Chief Collection Development Officers, 1998-2004; ACRL, Co-chair President's Program on Personal Persuasion for Advocacy, 2006; LAMA, Membership Committee, Chair 1985-1987; Orientation Committee, Chair 1987-1988; COO, 1991-1992; Governmental Affairs, 1994-1995; Task force on Strategic Planning, Co-chair, 1995; Task Force on Leadership and Communication, Chair 1989; PRS, Executive Committee, 1989-1990; Editorial Advisory Board 1995-1997, Chair 1997; Nominating Committee, Chair, 1997; Federal Librarians Roundtable, President 2001; World Book Award Jury, Chair 1999; EBSCO Scholarship Jury, Chair 2002; Wm Boyd Award Jury, 2004-2006; ALA President's Program, Co-chair 2001.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: LCPA, President (1978), Digital Library Federation, Board of Trustees, 2004-2006; National Humanities Alliance, non-voting on Board of Directors, 2004-2006; US National Committee for UNESCO, 2005-2006; US National Commission on Library and Information Science, representing the Librarian of Congress, 2003-2004; Chair, Acquisitions and Collections Development Section, IFLA, 2003-2004. China-U.S. Library Conference Steering Committee, 2005-2006. Editorial Board, Journal of Library Administration; National Information Standards Organization, Board of Directors 2006-2008.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Kentucky Colonel, 1983 for work with the State Library; WVU Distinguished Alumnus Award -nominated by the Political Science Department for "democracy building through librarianship." Consultant to UN Dag Hammarskjold Library. Louis Round Wilson Academy, University of North Carolina, inducted 2005 National Historical Publications and Records Commission, 2006-2008.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Throughout my career I have held positions from shelving books in my college library, to front line reference to caring for the Gutenberg Bible and acquiring the Waldseemuller map-the first naming this continent America. Much of my work has been devoted to helping policy makers find the best information available to use in decision making-for the U.S. Congress and for 12 countries, then the newly democratic nations in Central and Eastern Europe. With other ALA members I

worked with the library associations in Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan to strengthen the associations' role in the democratic infrastructure of their countries. I've commissioned and published research all libraries need on building digital collections and teaching with digital materials, the preservation challenges to recorded sound, and the development of new models of public service. I lecture regularly on the differences between leadership and management for library schools. In the last two years I've spoken at 26 conferences or seminars on Digital Libraries; The Changing Context for Scholarship; Libraries as a Public Good; and the Library as Place. As a researcher, I've written analyses of legislative encroachments on Internet neutrality and the e-Rate for libraries and schools.

ALA Member Since: 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

ALA is a vital organization in the U.S. We should be very proud of our advocacy for intellectual freedom, the freedom to read, and the right to privacy and the role we have had in changing the debate during the renewal of the Patriot Act. We are an important voice in our democratic society and one that must be heard clearly. Libraries are pivotal to insuring access to information needed to live, to learn, and to govern. We must insure that we remain a strong Association, reflecting of our values and our society. ALA's study, Diversity Counts, points to the growing need to attract new librarians from diverse ethnic backgrounds. Librarians work with students in classrooms and research labs, with the new Americans in literacy programs, and with budding poets and distinguished researchers. Recruiting the next generation of librarians is important as we are losing experienced colleagues faster than their replacements become available. We need librarians for children and for schools; more librarians who are leaders in technology; and more with the right skills to serve new and diverse communities. Retaining these librarians as ALA members is important as they bring new voices to the Association and new skills to the conference workshops. Leadership development and mentoring are more needed now more than ever. We have to welcome new forms of participation in the Association and make them a part of how we conduct Association business. We have more work to do on the status of all library workers—working for pay equity and competitive benefits. Success for all our programs depends on broad public awareness campaigns with messages and images that resonate with the public and reinforce our message that libraries are a major force in a community's educational, economic, and cultural life.

—NANCY A. DAVENPORT

6. JAMES R. RETTIG, University Librarian, University of Richmond.

EDUCATION: Marquette University, B.A., 1972; Marquette University, M.A. (English), 1974; University of Wisconsin at Madison (library science), M.A.L.S., 1975; UCLA Senior Fellows Program, 2001.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Executive Board, 2003-2006; ALA Council, 1988-1992, 1994-1998, 2000-2004, as EB member 2003-2006; ALA Budget Analysis and Review Committee, 2004-2006; ALA Committee on Organization, 2000-2004, chair 2000-2003, member 2006-2008; ALA Publishing Committee, 1996-2000, chair 1997-1999; ALA Structure Revision Task Force, 1995-1997; ALA Committee on Committees, 1995-1996; ALA Executive Director Search Committee, 1993-1994; ALA Appointments Committee, 1991-1992; ALA Reference and Subscription Books Review Committee, member 1979-1983, alumni reviewer 1983- ; ALA Select Committee to review accreditation appeal by the University of Arizona, 1999-2000; ALA-APA Promotion and Fundraising Committee, 2006-2008; ACRL President's Program Planning Committee, 2001-2003; ACRL College & Research Libraries News Editorial Board, 1984-1988; chair 1986-1988; ACRL representative to Freedom to Read Foundation, 1983-1985; LAMA Buildings & Equipment Section, Buildings for College and University Libraries Committee, 2000-2003; RUSA Collection Development and Evaluation Section, Materials Reviewing Committee, 1995-1999; RASD (now RUSA) Legislation Committee, chair 1994-1995; RASD President, 1992-1993; RASD Finance Committee, chair 1991-1992; RASD Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation Committee, 1990-1991; RASD ad hoc Committee on Reviewing, chair 1988-90; RASD Standards and Guidelines Committee, 1985-1989; RASD Reference Tools Advisory Committee, 1986-1988; RASD Board of Directors, 1982-1985; RASD Organization Committee, 1982-1985; chair 1984-1985; member, 1993-1994; RASD Dartmouth Medal Committee, 1980-1982, chair 1981-1982; RASD Cooperative Reference Services Committee, 1979-1981; Member of ALA Office for Accreditation external review panels, 1995-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: OCLC Reference Services Advisory Committee, 1992-1995; Virtual Library of Virginia (VIVA) Resources for Users Committee, 2000-2006; Freedom to Read Foundation member, 2001-. Beta Phi Mu member.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Distinguished Alumnus Award, Alumni Association of the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Wisconsin at Madison, 2006; Richard A. Mateer Quality of Life Award for "Listening and responding to the voice of the students," University of Richmond student government, 2005; Earl Gregg Swem Library Faculty Recognition Award

"for distinguished service to Swem Library," College of William and Mary, 1998; Information Access Corporation, Information Authorship Award for "Beyond Cool," selected as the best article in Online magazine during 1996-1997, 1997; RASD Louis Shores-Oryx Press Award "for excellence in the reviewing of books and other materials," 1995; ALA G.K. Hall Award for Library Literature, for Distinguished Classics of Reference Publishing (Oryx Press, 1992), 1993; RASD Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation "for distinguished contributions to reference librarianship," 1988.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have contributed to our profession in a variety of ways—numerous journal articles and conference presentations; an award winning book on reference classics; extensive service in ALA including the RUSA presidency, the ALA Executive Board, Council, chairing major committees; and through several thousand reference reviews in "Rettig on Reference" and its predecessor. My greatest contribution has been raising questions to stimulate thinking about why we do what we do and how best to do it. I have been a catalyst for change in our understanding and practice, especially of reference and information services. I have done the same in ALA. On the Executive Board I pushed for greater transparency and better communication to members. As chair of ALA's Committee on Organization 2000-03 I stimulated thinking and conversation about virtual participation. This produced desirable changes. I am eager to advance this issue further. It matters deeply to many members and is important to the association's future vitality. I have worked for the best service to library users and ALA members; that's my contribution—so far!

ALA Member Since: 1976.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Our democratic society and librarianship are both unimagineable without ALA. Our bedrock values serve society's best interests. The library is the Ellis Island for ideas, a forum that welcomes ideas from all, a forum where ideas clash, meld, and synthesize to challenge and energize society. As president I will embrace and strengthen ALA's most important services to society:

- By ardently defending First Amendment rights and intellectual freedom.
- By pressing our legislative agenda. A new administration and Congress will present new opportunities in 2009.
- Through tireless advocacy on behalf of all types of libraries. To fulfill our mission to support lifelong learning, every type of library must thrive. ALA's service to its members is equally important. I will encourage bold experimentation in the ways ALA does its business. ALA best serves its members when it offers opportunities for each one to participate and contribute in meaningful ways. For some, that is committee service or elected office. For others it is working in groups that transcend organizational borders. A truly inclusive, vibrant ALA will be open to new approaches and will amplify members' accomplishments, whether they blossom through time-tested structures or grass-roots initiatives. Every major American library association has its own diversity initiative. I will bring these groups together to attain our common goal of developing a workforce that reflects the diverse society we serve. The ALA-APA: The Organization for the Advancement of Library Employees has had growing pains. I will work with its committees and provide leadership

so it will mature and fulfill its advocacy role for better compensation for all library workers. I am committed to ALA, committed to librarianship, and committed to making a difference on your behalf. Please visit <http://rettigforala.org> for more information about my vision for our association. I hope we share that vision.

—JAMES R. RETTIG

7. ROD M. HERSBERGER, Dean, University Library, California State University, Bakersfield.

EDUCATION: Indiana University, B.S., Accounting, 1970; Indiana University, M.L.S., 1972; Northern Illinois University, M.B.A., 1976.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council 1989-1993. Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) 2005-2009. AIA/ALA Library Building Awards Juror, 1979 and 1999. LAMA, Board of Directors 1986-1988, 1989-1993, 1995-1997.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Energetic, creative leadership results in excellent library collections, services and programs that fully meet our clients' needs. However, libraries are also business organizations that need strong programmatic and financial management. We must be fiscally accountable to our funding agencies and taxpayers. I have an undergraduate degree in accounting and an M.B.A., in addition to the M.L.S. With 33 years in academic librarianship, including 22 as a successful library director, I have the managerial experience, education and training to be a successful Treasurer for your Association. As a former member of LAMA's Board of Directors, as a former Councilor and as a current member of ALA's Budget Analysis and Review Committee, I offer extensive experience in the Association's member participative governance structure. If elected I promise transparent budget and accounting reporting to all interested members. I will strive to demonstrate how ALA's programs and services to members, particularly the Ahead to 2010, plan drive the Associations budgetary investments. It would be an honor and privilege to serve as your Treasurer.

ALA Member Since: 1976.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The financial health of ALA is vital to the organization's future and its members. You want a Treasurer who has the education, training, experience and skill to offer the members clear, concise, easy to understand presentations of financial data for you to make intelligent financial decisions. Because I have an undergraduate degree in Accounting and an MBA as well as my MLS, I am the Treasurer candidate with the requisite education and training. Also, I have been a successful library dean/director for more than 22 years and have always handled all budgeting and accounting in my library. Prior to that, I was the administrative services librarian in an ARL library for five years. Over the years I have served LAMA in a variety of capacities as it's Budget and Finance Chair, Board member, Councilor and twice as a juror for the AIA/ALA library building awards program. I am also in my second year of a four-year term as a member of BARC. All this has been a very good apprenticeship for a Treasurer. I will work with other leadership to fund ALA priorities such as those in the strategic plan-Ahead to 2010-and those arising from initiatives launched by the Presidents. I will explain the financial aspects of our priorities and initiatives cogently and clearly to you. I think if

you look at my qualifications you will realize that I have an ideal background to offer an intelligent interface between the complex and arcane world of accounting and finance and the information the membership needs to make good decisions. I am a strong leader, but also a supportive colleague. I pledge openness, frankness, and accessibility to all members who need financial information and will work with all parties to advance the goals of ALA.

—ROD M. HERSBERGER

8. JO ANN PINDER, CEO, Library Practitioners.

EDUCATION: Pennsylvania State University, B.S., 1970; University of Pittsburgh, M.L.S., 1977; Harvard University JFK Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government, 1990.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, Chapter (MD), Division (PLA) and at-large, various times 1984-2009; Resolutions Committee 2005-2007; 2005 Nomination Committee; Committee on Membership Meetings 2000-2002; Task Force on Core Values I; Committee on Professional Ethics 2004-2008; Planning and Budget Assembly; PLA President 2002-2003; Co-Chair 2002 PLA National Conference Program Committee; Various PLA Committees and Sections including Budget and Finance, Nominations, PLDS Advisory, Strategic Plan, Public Policy for Public Libraries; LAMA Special Programs and Conferences Committee; LAMA ALA-AIA Building Jury 1997,1999.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President, Maryland Library Association, 1982-1983; President, Rotary Club of Lawrenceville, GA 1997-1998; President League of Women Voters 1993-1995.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Freedom to Read Foundation Honor Roll 1999; MdLA Special Recognition Award 1988; Gwinnett Exceptional Women Leaders Honoree 1995; United Way Women's Legacy Honoree 2004; Gwinnett Magazine-Woman of the Year 2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Was Executive Director of Gwinnett County Public Library when it was named LJ's Library of the Year 2000. In that position increased full service hours in 12 public library branches by 13 hours/week/branch with no increase in personnel costs; increased funding for library 350% in 15 years. Focus on staff development in all positions held. At most recent position, initiated a 2 person staff development department.

ALA Member Since: 1976.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As an ALA member for over 30 years, I have experience with divisions, committees, task forces, and Council. This experience gives me an educated perspective on the finances of the association and how they impact our important work. To be successful we must focus our limited financial resources on the priorities established in ALA Ahead to 2010. I will be the member voice to ALA staff, Executive Board and Council to ensure this happens. The Constitution of the American Library Association states the duties of the president, president-elect, executive director and treasurer as "pertaining to their respective offices and such other duties as may be approved by the Executive Board." The Bylaws call for a report to the membership detailing receipts and expenditures, explaining fiscal status, and reporting on the

audit, but do not specifically give this responsibility to the treasurer, allowing this report to come from "a duly authorized member of the Executive Board." Within this structure, as your treasurer I will: Be the voice of fiscal responsibility in all issues; Make foremost the priorities of the American Library Association; Provide easy to understand financial reports on fiscal matters; Work with the rest of the Executive Board as a representative of the entire membership.

—JO ANN PINDER

9. ISMAIL ABDULLAHI, Associate Professor, North Carolina Central University, School of Library and Information Sciences, Durham.

EDUCATION: North Carolina Central University, MLS, 1987; University of Pittsburgh, Ph.D, 1989.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Faculty Advisor, ALA Student Chapter, North Carolina Central University, 2005-; Chair, ALA International Relations Committee (IRC) 2005-2006; Member, ALA Advocacy Institute Task Force, 2005-Present; Member, ALA President Michael Gorman's Advisory Committee, 2005-2006; Member, ALA -Allied Professional Association Certification Program Committee (CPC), 2005-2006, 2006-2008; Chair, ALA Nominating Committee, 2005-2006; Counselor-at-Large, 2003-2006; Member, International Relations Committee, 2002-2004; Chair, Bogle Pratt Travel Award Committee, 2002-2003; Member, 1999-2002; Member, Subcommittee for the First Joint American/ South Asian Librarians Conference, New Delhi, India, 1990-1992; Facilitator, ALA President's Program, "The Right to Know," 1992; Chair, International Relations Committee, Subcommittee for Africa, 1996-1998, 1994-1996; Member, ALA Council Committee on Minority Concerns and Diversity, 1995-1997; Member, ALA Constitution and Bylaws Committee, 1990-1992; Delegate, US-China Library Conference, Beijing, China, August 20-23, 1996.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Association Of Library And Information Science Education (ALISE); Co-Chair, Joint ALISE-EUCLID Conference, Potsdam, July 31-August 1, 2003; Representative to IFLA Standing Committee on Education and Training (SET), 2001-2005, 1991-1995; Member, BCALA/ALISE project to examine barriers that hinder the recruitment and retention of minority students, 2000-2001; Convener, ALISE Special Interest Group (SIG): Multicultural, Ethnic and Humanistic Concern, 2003, 2001, and 1993; Convener, ALISE Special Interest Group (SIG): Distance Education, 2003; Chair, International Relations Committee, 2001-2003; Convener, ALISE Special Interest Group (SIG): International Library Education, 2000, 1996-1997; Member, Special Committee on the State of Affairs of Ethnic, Multicultural and Humanistic Concerns in Library and Information Science Education Curriculum, 1990-1991. SLA-GEORGIA CHAPTER: Coordinator, Scholarship Committee, 1996-1997, 1993-1995; Chair, International Relations Committee, 2000-, 1999-1998, 1996-1997, 1994-1995; Advisory Board Member, 1993-. SLA-MISSISSIPPI/LOUISIANA CHAPTER: Student Liaison Officer, 1989-1992; Chair, Career Guidance Committee, 1990-1992; Member, Board Of Directors, 1989-1992. INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS (IFLA): Convener, LIS Educators from Developing Countries Discussion

Group; Chair, IFLA Section on Education and Training, Durban, South Africa, Program Planning Committee, 2004-2007; Chair, IFLA Section on Education and Training, Buenos Aires, Argentina Program Planning Committee, 2002-2005; Member, Section on Education and Training (SET), 2005-2009, 2001-2005, 1993-1998; Chair, IFLA President's Program: Indigenous Knowledge Round Table, World Library and Information Congress, Berlin, Germany, August 1, 2003.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Honorary Guest, Indian Association of Teachers of Library and Information Science, 2006; Clark Atlanta University ALA Student Chapter Award, 2005; African Communities in Vancouver, BC, Canada, 1999; BCALA Leadership Award; Harold Lancour Award for Excellence in International and Comparative Study in Library and Information Science, 1998; The Myers Center Award for the Study of Human Rights in the United States, 1992; Graduate Assistantship, University of Pittsburgh, 1987-1989; Kenya Library Association Special Award, 1984.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: School of Library and Information Sciences, North Carolina Central University, Associate Professor 2005-present; School of Library and Information Studies, Clark Atlanta University, Associate Professor 1992-2005 and Assistant Professor 1992-1998; School of Library and Information Science, University of Southern Mississippi, Assistant Professor 1989-1992. **PUBLICATIONS:** Internationalization of LIS Education in Europe and North America, with Leif Kajberg and Sirje Virkus, *New Library World*, Vol. 108, No. 9 (January 2007); From Oral Tradition to Electronic: Accessing and Disseminating Information" In: *Perspectives, Insights: 17 Leaders Speak Freely of Librarianship*. Edited by Norman Horrocks. The Scarecrow Press, Inc. Lanham, MD, 2005, pp. 1-6; Library Education in Africa. In: *Handbook of Black Librarianship*; 2nd Ed. Edited by E.J. Josey and Marva L. DeLoach. Scarecrow Press, Inc. Lanham, MD, 2000, pp. 747-753; Library Services to Multi-Cultural Populations. In: *Encyclopedia of Library and Information Science*. Editor Allen Kent. Marcel Decker, Inc. Vol. 48, 1991, pp. 257-270; A Study of International Issues in Library and Information Science Education: Survey of LIS Schools in Europe, the USA and Canada. With Leif Kajberg. *New Library World*, Vol. 105 No. 1204/1205, 2004; Vision of Diversity. Diversity-Publication of the Diversity Council, London, UK. No. 4 and 5, July-November 2002; "Why Diversity in American Libraries?" With E.J. Josey. *Library Management*. Vol. 23, No. 1 and 2 (2002), pp. 10-16.

ALA Member Since: 1985.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Our profession is faced with increasing challenges with new technological change, recruitment of librarians, and reduced state funding. Access to information is crucial for the well being of all citizens. I am a strong advocate for adequate pay for all library workers, Intellectual freedom, and continuing education for library personnel and libraries to play important role in creating global cooperation and understanding among communities of the world.

—ISMAIL ABDULLAHI

10. CAROL ANDERSON, Associate Librarian, University at Albany, SUNY.

EDUCATION: College of St. Rose, Albany, NY, M.S., Educ Psych., 2003; University of Missouri, Columbia, M.A.L.S., 1975; SUNY College at Geneseo, B.A. History, 1974.

ALA ACTIVITIES: World Book/ALA Goal Award Jury, Chair, 2006-2007; Gale Research Financial Development Award Jury, Chair, 2000-2001; World Book/ALA Goal Award Jury, 1997-1998; LAMA, Recognition of Achievement Committee, Chair, 2005-2007, 1989-90, 1995-99; LAMA Membership Committee, 2002-2004; LAMA Strategic Planning Implementation Committee, 2001-2003; Search Committee, LAMA Executive Director, 2001; LAMA Past President, 2000-2001; LAMA President, 1999-2000; LAMA Vice-President/President Elect, 1998-1999; LAMA Executive Committee, 1998-2001; LAMA Board of Directors, Member-at-large, 1987-1989; President's Program Committee, 1995-96, 1997-1998; Council of LAMA Affiliates (COLA), New York representative, 1996-1998; LAMA Orientation Committee, 1990-1994; GODORT, Notable Documents, Selector, International Documents, 1992-1995; LAMA BES Vice-Chair 1992-1993, Chair 1993-1994, Past Chair 1994-1995; LAMA BES Building Awards Committee, 1990-1994; LAMA BES Nominating Committee, 1990-1991; LAMA BES Ad Hoc Space Standards Committee, Chair, 1989-1990; LAMA FRFDS Past Chair, 1986-1987; Chair 1985-1986; Vice-Chair 1984-1985; Acting Vice Chair 1983-1984; LAMA Fund Raising Discussion Group, Steering Committee, Co-Chair, 1982; RTSD Piercy Award Jury, Chair 1985-1986; RTSD Piercy Award Jury 1984-1985; JMRT 3M Development Grant Committee Chair, 1983-1984; JMRT 3M Development Grant Committee 1981-1982; JMRT Olofson Awards Committee, Chair, 1982-83.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: New York Library Association, Council, 1982-1983, 1987-1988; Executive Committee, 1987-1988; Conference Chair, 1987-1988; Nominating Committee, 1992-1993; Legislative Committee, 1983-1987, 1990-1996; Vice-Chair 1985-1987, 1992-1994; Library Day Committee Chair, 1985; NYLA Federal Relations Coordinator for Washington D.C. lobbying day 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1994, 1995; NYLA LAMRT Vice-Chair, 1996-1997; Chair 1997-1998; Past Chair 1998-1999; NYLA SMART President 1982-1983; Director-at-Large, 1981-1982. Oklahoma Library Association, Auditing Committee, 1978-1980; Interlibrary Cooperation Committee, Chair, 1980; College and University Division, Secretary/Treasurer 1980-1981.

HONORS AND AWARDS: State University of New York, Chancellor's Excellence in Librarianship Award, 2003; University at Albany, Excellence in Librarianship, 2003; University at Albany, Initiatives for Women Award, 2001; New York Library Association, ASLS/Ridley "Spirit of Librarianship" Award, 1999; American Library Association/American Institute of Architects, Library Building Awards Juror, 1993.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Extensive ALA divisional leadership and committee member experience along with extensive experience at state level; have traveled extensively internationally in recent years thus enlarging my perspective.

ALA Member Since: 1975.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am pleased to run for Council, ALA's policy making body of the Association, during such a critical time for libraries, their support, and their critical role in the United States and globally. Libraries, virtual and physical, provide a full array of resources and materials supporting education, life long learning, community building, and entertainment. Providing access to all who wish to use library resources and facilities and providing supports so that each and every person may safely use resources and facilities is vital for our world. —CAROL ANDERSON

11. ANGEL BATISTE, Area Specialist, Library of Congress, African & Middle Eastern Division.

EDUCATION: Ph.D., African Studies, Howard University, 1992; M.S.L.S., School of Library & Information Science, Catholic University, 1995; Graduate Certificate, Information Resources Management, U.S. General Services Administration, 1995.

ALA ACTIVITIES: GODORT Government Documents Round Table, International Documents Task Force (Member 2001-present); ALA Subcommittee on Sustainable Library Development (Member 2002-present); ALA International Relations Committee, Africa Subcommittee (2000-present—current chair).

HONORS AND AWARDS: Library of Congress Leadership Development Program Fellow, 1999-2000; Library of Congress Meritorious Service Award, 1987, 1999 and 2000.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: In 1999-2000, I was honored as a fellow in the Library of Congress Leadership Development Program. My tenure in the program included special assignments in the Office of the Librarian and the Congressional Research Service's Office of Information Resources Management. Publications include *Africa South of the Sahara: Index to Periodical Literature*; *Drought and Famine in Africa: A Selected Bibliography*; *Japanese-African Relations: A Selected List of References*; *Science and Technology Information Resources in Nigeria*; *Major Africana Resources in the United States*; and the *African Business Guide: an Information Resource Index*. I am active in the Africana Librarians Council, the Washington International Affairs Librarians Group, and the American Libraries Association (ALA) Government Documents Roundtable (GODORT) International Documents Task Force. Currently, I serve as Chair of the ALA/International Relations Committee, Africa Subcommittee and as Co-chair of the Society for International Development/Development Information Workgroup. My current research interests include electronic library resources and services, African and international government information sources, and information policy and management issues in the African region.

ALA Member Since: 2002.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the ALA Council and have input into decision-making and policies relating to our Association and the library profession. As a candidate, key issues of professional concern to me are diversity, equity of access to information, intellectual freedom, and international partnerships that strengthen library programs and services. ALA promotes library interests 'throughout the world' and its activities have worldwide impact. I have

a special interest in the Association's international efforts and in library and information science issues and developments throughout the world. My professional focus has been with the development, organization, and servicing of area studies collections and resources related to the Africa region. I would be honored to serve on ALA Council and ask for your vote.

—ANGEL BATISTE

12. GLADYS SMILEY BELL, Special Collections (Peabody Librarian), Hampton University.

EDUCATION: Howard University, B.S., 1972; Long Island University, Palmer Graduate Library School, M.L.S., 1973.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Councilor-at-large, 2004-2007, 1999-2001; ALA-APA/CPC (member), 2006-2009; ALA-COO (member), 2003-2005; Nominating & Screening Committee for ALA Ex. Dir. Position (member), 2002; ALA/OTIP Subcommittee on Telecommunications (member), 2000-2002; Diversity Council (member), 2001-2004; Spectrum Initiative Scholarship Jury (member), 1999-2000, 2002-2003; OLOS Literacy Assembly (member), 2001-2003; ACRL Publications Committee (member), 1993-1997; Newsletter Committee (member), 1994-2000; AFAS, Vice Chair/Chair Elect, 1994-1996; Secretary, 1993-1994; Member-at-large, 1999-2001; Chair, Publications Committee, 1994-2000; Editor, AFAS newsletter, 1994-2000; Chair, Nominating Committee, 1997-1998; LITA Newsletter Committee (member), 1995-1997; MARS/Education & Training of Search Analysts Com. (member), 1988-1989.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Academic Library Association of Ohio (ALAO), Chair, Human Diversity Committee, 1998-2000, Chair, Bibliographic Instruction Interest Group, 1997-1998, Chair, Human Diversity Interest Group, 1995-1997.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Recipient of a 2006 Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)/Harvard Leadership Institute scholarship, August 2006; Certificate of Appreciation for Distinguished Service, Virginia Library Association (VLA), October, 2005; Recipient of the DEMCO/BCALA \$500 Award for Excellence in Librarianship, June 2005, Chicago, IL; Recipient of the Institutional Diversity Community Service Award for outstanding leadership and commitment to furthering cultural diversity in the University, in the community and focusing on the personal and scholastic development of students of color, Kent State University, April 2000, Kent, OH; Recipient of the Outstanding Alumnus Award for being a successful graduate from the Cleveland Public School System and accomplishing remarkable achievements from The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc., Alpha Xi Chapter, May 1996, Cleveland, OH; Recipient of the Scholarly Contribution Award for significant contributions to African American Librarianship and electronic information technology for diverse and under-represented communities, Kent State University, April 1995, Kent, OH; Recipient of the Distinguished Service to the Profession Award for enthusiasm and dedication to educating the African American community about information technology from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association, August 1994, Milwaukee, WI.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Selected to be a member of the inaugural Literary Subcommittee, the 38th NAACP Image Awards, September 2006; One of 25 HBCU Library Directors selected to attend the HBCU Alliance Leadership Institute Session I & II (August 2005) and (April 2006); One of 10 institutions to participate in a Digitization Initiative, "Building Collections, Building Services, and Building Sustainability," a collaborative project of the HBCU Library Alliance, Cornell University Library, SOLINET, and the Robert W. Woodruff Library of the Atlanta University Center, 2006; BCALA President, 2000-2002; JCLC Conference Co-Chair, 2002-2006; Co-owner, LIBREF-L (Electronic discussion forum for library reference issues); owner, AFAS-L (Electronic discussion forum for African American Studies and Librarianship), and BCALA (Electronic discussion forum for the Black Caucus of the American Library Association).

ALA Member Since: 1984.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The American Library Association (ALA) has had the benefit of exceptional leadership over a century, and the organization has consistently brought the central concerns of librarians to its members. If elected as a ALA Councilor, I will work to ensure that ALA remains on a course that increases membership and work to enhance other activities needed to support and guarantee ALA's good work. I will work to build bridges/coalitions and work cooperatively on endeavors with other library organizations and affiliates. I will combine vision and practicality to create new directions, yet sustain ALA's mission for a continuous and exciting future. It would be an honor for me to serve as your ALA Councilor.

—GLADYS SMILEY BELL

13. JAMES F. (JIM) BENNETT retired from thirty-five years in school library media centers. West Chazy, NY.

EDUCATION: Long Island Univ. (CW Post), MLS, 1970; NY Univ., 1977, NY Educational Administration Certification with additional courses in architecture and archives management; Elmira Coll., BS, 1966.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Council, 1985-2002; User Instruction for Info. Literacy Com.; Awards Com., mbrship. ch., 1987-1988; Scholarship Com. Sub. ch., 2000. AASL: Bd. of Dirs., 1987-1992; Affiliate Assy., Memb. Com., ch.; Natl. Guidelines; Natl. Sch. L. Media Award Com. (twice); Distinguished Serv. Award Com., ch.; Natl. Conf. Planning Com. Sub. ch.; Nom. Com.; Long Range Planning Com.; Microcomputer in the Media Ctr. Award Com., ch. LAMA: Sch. L. Media Ctr. Facilities Com., ch.; BES Building Awards Com.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: NY L. Assn./Sch. L. Media Sect., pres., 1987-1988; Suffolk Sch. L. Media Assn.; pres., 1983-1984; Assn. For Edu. Commun. and Tech./Sch. L. Media Spec. Div., Bd. of Dirs., 1990-1996; Long Island L. Resources Council, Automation Com. Mbr.: FOLUSA, New York Lib. Assn.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Assn. for Edu. Commun. and Tech., Sch. L. Media Spec. of the Year, 1998; Long Island Univ. (CW Post), Distinguished Alumni Award, 1991; AASL, Natl. Sch. L. Media Prog. of the Year Award to the district, 1985.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have been privileged to have worked for 35 years in exemplary libraries. I have been committed to my "Life" membership in ALA from the beginning by being active in a variety of professional tasks. I feel my leadership involvement with both ALA/AASL/AECT Information Power documents has made a difference. I've published and traveled extensively with keen interest in joint-use facilities. Two sabbaticals allowed me to work and travel in New Zealand, Australia, and Canada.

ALA Member Since: 1968 (Life).

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I believe more than ever: • that ALA has the leadership role of maintaining and improving the values that libraries/librarians stand for; • that access to information must be maintained as priority; • that we continue to improve services to all spectrums of American society; • that we as profession must expand our image as the public deliverer of information; • that intellectual freedom issues are seriously being challenged and we must fight to protect our hard won positions; • that we work to improve the status and salaries of all librarians; and • that we work to diversify our image by promoting and sponsoring more minority scholarships. From a long experience on ALA and divisional committees I have an understanding of the operations. I believe that I can continue to bring leadership to the association. —JAMES F. (JIM) BENNETT

14. WALTER BETTS, Systems Librarian, Texas Christian University.

EDUCATION: University of Texas at Arlington, B.M., 1992; Texas Woman's University, M.L.S., 1998.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA School Library Task Force, 2005-2006; AASL Families Connect Committee, Member, 1998-1999; AASL National School Library Program of the Year Committee, Member, 2001; AASL National School Library Media Program of the Year Task Force, Member, 2005; AASL Alliance for Association Excellence, Member, 2003-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Texas Library Association, 2008 Conference Program Committee, 2006-2008; Texas Library Association, District 5 Chair Elect/Chair, 2006-2007; Texas Library Association, 2006 Conference Program Committee, 2004-2006; Texas Library Association, Children's Round Table Webmaster, 1998-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: TALL Texans Leadership Institute, 2004; National School Library Program of the Year—Large District (Irving ISD), 2000.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: This year I started an exciting new job as systems librarian for Texas Christian University. The skills that I learned as the systems librarian for a large, urban school district (Dallas ISD) have helped me make the transition to the demands of a university library. School libraries remain close to my heart, however, as I continue to work as a volunteer with TEKSLink (Texas Library Journal, Summer 2004), a project that correlates student expectations found in the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (the Texas state curriculum for K-12 students) and Library of Congress Subject Headings. As a passionate advocate for the precepts of Library 2.0, I have made five presentations to school districts across the state of Texas and the keynote address at the Texas Library Association District 8 meeting. And, as

Mr. July from the Men of TLA Calendar, I proudly support the Texas Library Association's Disaster Relief fund.

ALA Member Since: 1998.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Throughout the 20th century, American librarians met the needs of their communities by establishing high levels of service: the library was the place to go for books and information. Today our communities are more diverse, and their needs and expectations have expanded exponentially. In order for libraries to remain relevant in the 21st century, librarians must adopt new technologies and service models. The value and importance of our core mission—providing resources for information and leisure—hasn't changed. We must, however, be ready to change how we carry out this mission so that service is provided "whenever and wherever" needs exist. —WALTER BETTS

15. STEWART BODNER, Associate Chief Librarian, The New York Public Library.

EDUCATION: Hunter College, M.A. (History), 1984; Pratt Institute, M.L.S., 1975; Hunter College, B.A., 1974.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Library Association, Member, 1978; Association of College and Research Libraries; Government Relations Committee: Member, 1999-2000; Government Relations Committee: Chair, 2001-2002; Professional Development Committee: Member, 2004-2006; Association for Lib. Collections and Tech. Services Legislation Committee: Member, 1993-1996; Legislation Committee: Chair, 1995-1996; International Relations Committee, 2001-2003; Publications Committee: Member, 1996-1999; SISAC Representative, 1993-1995; Reference and User Services Association Codes-Wilson Indexes Committee: Member, 2000-2002, 2006-; Codes-Wilson Indexes Committee: Chair, 2003-2005.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc.; Reference Services Advisory Committee 1998-1999, 2000-2002; Members Council: Delegate 2003-; Question-point 24/7 Task Force: Member 2004-; Nylink Council: Delegate, 2003-.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Major accomplishments include: I have worked for the NYPL for thirty-seven years and continue to serve on the faculty at Baruch College, City University of New York since 1986. I developed and administered processing patterns for the NYPL's first serials control system in 1989 (involving 75,000 serial records). I was charged with directing a project to move 130,000 Rare Books in the NYPL. I was responsible for oversight of public services during a major renovation of the Main Reading Room of the NYPL's Central Research Library. I have acted as a Library advocate on the state and national level since 1979; I developed ALA pre-conferences and programs related to advocacy, especially in the area of recruitment. Chaired committees in ALCTS and ALA (Government Relations) and RUSA (Wilson Indexes); chaired OCLC Members Council Reference Services Interest Group and have been active in the deliberations of other ALA Committees with respect to publications, professional development and international relations.

ALA Member Since: 1978.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a thirty-seven year veteran of the New York Public Library and an adjunct faculty member, Baruch College, CUNY for twenty years, I have developed a broad perspective on developments affecting our profession. Technological advances continue to shape our work in unprecedented ways. We need to leverage the collective expertise of our membership to determine the viability of libraries in an information industry landscape loaded with challenges. My advocacy activities on behalf of children, young adults and adults in soliciting capital from the public and private bring me into regular contact with our funders. We need to turn the membership into solid advocates, whether it is with a government official, a donor, a vendor or an administrator in our home library. We should act in a strategic manner to determine new and improved methods to conduct business while at the same time maintaining our strong ethical values in society. —STEWART BODNER

16. THOMAS BROGAN, Young Adult Cluster Specialist, Brooklyn Public Library.

EDUCATION: Bachelors of Arts in English Writing, Queens College, 1984; Masters of Library and Information Science, Queens College, 1991; post Masters classes in Law Librarianship at St. John's University, 1992; Masters of Arts in Creative Writing (12 credits complete) 2004-.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Member of EMERT.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Secretary and Member at Large for NYLA's Ethnic Services Round Table. **HONORS AND AWARDS:** New York Library Association Dewey Conference Award.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Published essays in Bridging Cultures. Received \$500 Entrepreneurial Award for Community Leaders Open House at Library.

ALA Member Since: 1992.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I believe that diversity should be represented in all library collections and that library workers should be sensitive to the needs of all ethnic groups. Also, I think that it is very important to collaborate with community organizations and make the library a more visible, viable community place. I advocate for teens to have a place in the library and empower them to be part of the library. As Councilor At Large, I would work to advance the needs of library workers. I have been a member of ALA off and on since 1992. I have belonged to EMERT in ALA and Ethnic Services Round Table in the New York Library Association. I served on one awards committee in ALA and held several positions in NYLA.

—THOMAS BROGAN

17. FRANK BRUNO, Library Director, Uintah County Library.

EDUCATION: Brigham Young Univ., B.A., Hist., 1983; Major Paper: "Consv. and Presv. of L. Materials," Univ. of HI—Manoa, M.L.I.S., Honolulu, HI, 1989; Univ. of HI—Manoa, Honolulu, HI. Certificate of Advanced Studies, (Archival and Records Mgt.), 1990; Ball State Univ., Ed.D., Adult Edu. Cognate: L. and Inf. Sci., 1995. Dissertation: The Needs Maze: How Adult Educators Assess Needs.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 2000-2005 EMERT, Award Sel. Com. for Gale Award/David Cohen Award. 2001-2003 Exec. Bd, Council on Diversity.

2000-2003 Mbr Comm. on Inf. Tech., Nat. Assoc. of ST. Univ. and Land Grant Coll. 2000-2002 Exec. Bd, Ethnic, Multicultural and Inf. Exch. RT. 1998-2000 Exec. Bd, Ethnic, Multicultural and Info. Exch. RT 1998-2001 Comm. Fund Raising and Financial Devel. Sect., LAMA. 1997-1998 Chair, Coll. Dev. Section, EMIERT. 1997 Diver. Comm. Mbr, Special Planning Comm. for Annual June 1998.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: 2004 Participant, Special Meeting with Maureen Sullivan on Future of Texas Libraries, TLA. 1989-1990 Chr., Reference and Special Librarians Section, Hawaii Library Association.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 2005-2006 Thompsen Gale Advisory Board. 1998-2005 Bridges on the I-Way (technology editor) Multicultural Review. 2004 Partic., Harvard Ed. Ldrship Sem. ARL Dirs. 2003-2004 Proquest(UMI)Adv. Brd, Ann Arbor, MI. 1999-2000 San Diego ST. Univ. Faculty Senate, California Fac. Assoc. Union Representative. 2003 & 2005 Spring ISD, Bond Advisory Comm. \$650,000,000 for new schools. 1996 Comm. Theatre Pubns. Com., El Centro, CA. 1992 Speech Judge, Fayette (MO) H.S., 1990 March of Dimes Chair. Laie, HI. 1982-1983 Utah H. S. History Fair Judge.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: For over 15 years as a member of ALA, I have served in professional positions in both the profession and the community, which have focused on diversity, technology, and library funding. On the Council on Diversity and EMIERT, I promoted awareness of socially responsible issues for equity and inclusion. On the Commission on Information Technology, I advocated librarians' involvement with national and state legislation to address the digital divide. I addressed issues surrounding technology, the international community and social action e.g. biracial families, affirmative action, global terrorism, in my Bridges on the I-Way columns, in the Multicultural Review. As a founding member of the HBCU Library Alliance and as a ALA Spectrum Trainer in California I have advocated for greater minority participation in the profession. As a public library and university library administrator I have worked throughout my career to provide patrons, regardless of social and economic background, equal access to materials and services. I advocated on the UMI advisory board to keep pricing models reasonable.

ALA Member Since: 1990.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Within ALA we must work to build stronger partnerships. We must eliminate duplication "reinventing the wheel." A few years ago I represented EMIERT during a presidential planning meeting. Not all key organizations were consulted in planning diversity activities. Since that time I have made sure more voices are heard. On the Council on Diversity I worked for unity and inclusion. I will work within council to make sure there is more involvement from our divisions, roundtables, groups and caucuses. I will solicit members' advice/concerns and will work to ameliorate communication and promote relevant issues such as salary issues and the key action areas. On NASULC's Commission on Information Technologies, which advises Congress on significant technology legislation, I was one of only two librarians giving input for the future of training of the masses in high-speed

technology. I proposed that librarians provide such training and give greater input.

—FRANK BRUNO

18. SUSAN BURKE, Assistant Professor, University of Oklahoma.

EDUCATION: Texas Woman's University, Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, Doctoral Minor in Library and Information Studies, 2001; University of Illinois, Urbana, Master of Science in Library and Information Science, 1988; University of Illinois, Urbana, Bachelor of Arts in Russian Area Studies and History, 1984.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Chair, Preservation Committee: Slavic and East European Section, American Library Association, Association for College and Research Libraries (ALA/ACRL/SEES), 1992-93; Member, Continuing Education on Slavic and East European Librarianship in North America Committee (ALA/ACRL/SEES) 1990-92; Member, Automated Bibliographic Control Committee (ALA/ACRL/SEES) 1990-91.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Member, Technical Services Roundtable, Oklahoma Library Association, 2005-.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: "Censorship in Public Libraries: Actions versus Opinions 1991 to 2004." Conference paper presented at Oklahoma Library Association, March 2006. "Libraries in Communities: Expected and Unexpected Portrayals in State Case Law." *Libraries & Culture*, 39(4). 2004: 405-428.

ALA Member Since: 1990.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a library educator I care deeply about helping to prepare cohorts of new librarians for successful careers in this evolving profession. Multicultural and multiethnic issues in library use and accessibility are central themes in my work. Of particular interest to me is the impact of socio-cultural factors on library use and services.

—SUSAN BURKE

19. JAMES B. CASEY, Director, Oak Lawn Public Library.

EDUCATION: Case Western Reserve University, Ph.D., 1985. Cleveland State University, M.A., 1979, SUNY Geneseo, M.L.S., 1973. LeMoyné College, B.A., 1972.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, 1996-2000, 2001-Present. Council Orientation Committee (Chair) 1999-2000. Council Resolutions Committee (member) 2001-2004, (Chair) 2004-05. LAMA, Government Affairs Committee (member) 1992-1996. LAMA, Government Advocacy Skills Committee (member) 1992-1997. E-Rate Task Force, 1999-2001.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Illinois Library Association (ILA) member since 1992. Public Policy Committee (member) 2001-2004. Illinois State Library-Construction Grant Review Committee (member) 1999-present. Ohio Library Association (OLA) member 1982-1992. Legislation Committee (member) 1986-1988. Coordinator S.E. Chapter 1988-1989.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Librarian of the Year, 2005, Illinois Library Association.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Although I'm widely published in both print and electronic resources (PUBLIB), my most important accomplishments have been in leading two public libraries into the

"information age" via involvement of staff and board members in a collaborative learning and growth process. In ALA Council (1996-2000, 2001-present), I participated actively in every session, sponsored five resolutions and co-sponsored several others. As a Councilor-at-Large, I supported efforts to expand opportunities for ALA Members to participate electronically in substantive committee and decision making capacities. A resolution I introduced resulted in the requirement of Librarian credentials for the position of ALA Executive Director. As Chair of the Council Orientation Committee (1999-2000), I led the Committee in establishing the first Council Orientation program ever offered for newly elected Council Members at Annual Conference and served both as Member and Chair of Resolutions Committee (2001-2005). I was selected Librarian of the Year by the Illinois Library Association (ILA) during 2005 and my Board of Trustees received the Intellectual Freedom Award from ILA during 2006.

ALA Member Since: 1991.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Faced with filtering mandates, budget cutting and virulent anti-intellectualism, ALA needs to intensify efforts to develop new and more effective approaches to Intellectual Freedom advocacy. Decision-making bodies such as ALA Council will need to take bolder steps to broaden Member participation via electronic communication so that more input and more voices can be heard as we build a broader and more inclusive consensus. Council must focus more of its energies and talents on fashioning agendas clearly and directly related to the Libraries, Librarianship and Intellectual Freedom. We must show greater confidence in, and appreciation of, the role that Libraries have always played in the furtherance of social justice and human rights. Moreover, ALA must provide leadership in advocating the hiring and fair compensation of professional Librarians. In fact, ALA could begin by requiring ALA accredited Librarian credentials for all of its high profile leadership positions.

—JAMES B. CASEY

20. BART CASSEL, Video Production / Media Center Specialist, Middleburg High School.

EDUCATION: Hagerstown Junior College, A.A.; Towson University, B.S.; University of North Florida, M.Ed.; Florida State University, Masters candidate, M.I.S.

ALA ACTIVITIES: I have just become a Media Center Specialist – so I would consider myself "new blood" with fresh thoughts.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: n/a – see note above.

HONORS AND AWARDS: National Association of Biology Teachers Florida Biology Teacher of the Year; Florida Engineering Society Teacher of the Year; Jessie Ball DuPont Fellow; Southern Association of Colleges and Schools State Approved Chair and Facilitator for Quality Assurance Review Teams; JEdI Workshop-National Science Foundation / University of Maryland; Director of Distance Learning Programs-Schultz Center For Teaching and Leadership.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Published author and poet (book published under a nom de plume); National Association of Biology Teachers Florida Biology Teacher of the Year; Florida Engineering Society Teacher of the Year; Jessie Ball DuPont Fellow; Southern Association of

Colleges and Schools State Approved Chair and Facilitator for Quality Assurance Review Teams; JEdI Workshop-National Science Foundation / University of Maryland; Director of Distance Learning Programs-Schultz Center For Teaching and Leadership.
ALA Member Since: 2006.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

In our zeal to have students pass standardized reading assessments, we have stocked our libraries with more and more fiction. A library should be a source of informational material, but too many libraries have ceded this to their Internet computers. Librarians (media center specialists) should look at their collections and determine if they have an inordinate number of novels compared to non-fiction resources. Secondly, under-funded and understaffed libraries and librarians are being asked to take on more and more responsibilities. Our limited staffs are expected to run daily newscasts, provide classrooms with reading libraries, tutor lower level readers, do lesson plans for classroom teachers, sponsor reading clubs, host district meetings, clean and store AV equipment, barcode and inventory textbooks, etc. Schools must adequately fund and staff their media centers in the 21st century. I hope to work on these and other goals as a member of the ALA Council.
—BART CASSEL

21. DIANE CHEN, Library Information Specialist, Hickman Elementary School.

EDUCATION: University of Iowa, M.A. L.I.S., 1989; Buena Vista University, B.A. El. Ed. & Modern Languages/Chinese, 1988.

ALA ACTIVITIES: AASL: Chair, Membership, 2006-Present; AASL: Member, Vision Summit, 2006-Present; AASL: Past Chair, Affiliate Assembly, 2006-Present; AASL: Chair, Legislation, 2005-Present; ALA: Member, Legislation Assembly, 2005-Present; ALA: Chair, GRAS ad hoc subcommittee, 2006-2007; AASL: Member, Innovative Reading Grant, 2006-2007; AASL: Chair, Affiliate Assembly, 2005-2006; AASL: Chair-Elect, Affiliate Assembly, 2004-2005; AASL: Member, Legislation, 2003-2005; AASL: Member, Conference Programming Subcommittee, 2004-2005.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Member, Advocacy, 2007-2007; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Chair, Advocacy, 2006-2006; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Member, Legislation, 2005-2006; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: member, Volunteer State Book Award Committee, 2005-2006; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Chair, Long Range Planning, 2005-2005; Tennessee Library Association: Co-Chair, Publications Advisory Board, 2005-2005; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Past-President, 2005-2005; Tenn-share: Member, TEL Advisory Board, 2004-2005; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: President, 2004-2004; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Chair, Legislation, 2003-2004; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Vice-President/President-Elect, 2003-2003; TASL Tennessee Association of School Librarians: Co-Chair, Information Power, 2001-2002.

HONORS AND AWARDS: EduBlog 2006 Nominee, 2006; Teacher of the Year-Hickman Elementary School, 2003; David H. Clift Scholarship, 1988.
ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Panel Presenter at SLJ's Leadership Summit November, 2006 on School Library 2.0 Technologies; 2006 AASL Vision Summit participant; Coordinated AASL Affiliate Assembly Online Community; LM_NET FAQ Coordinator 2 years; Led Celebrate Conference at AASL and ALA; Organized the TASL Libraries and Literacy Summit June 2006.

ALA Member Since: 2000.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Pro-activity in our profession and the educational community is essential to our success. Throughout my 16 years as a school librarian and 12 years in ALA, I have practiced building connections with others through public speaking, professional workshops, leadership opportunities, committee work with other organizations, and one-on-one activities. I maintain a blog at <http://depththinking.blogspot.com> and contribute to LM_NET because I believe in providing practical advice and insightful thinking to promote change for the benefit of our students and our profession. By building relationships with other educators, the library program will gain pre-eminence and be valued as the essential key to student achievement. I have been a grass-roots advocate through the Affiliate Assembly and National Library Legislative Days. I believe our involvement determines ALA and AASL's success. As an ALA Councilor, I will continue to promote professional development, practical communication of current issues impacting our profession, and members' proactivity in our organization.
—DIANE CHEN

22. TIFFANI CONNER, Project Manager-Volunteer Voices, University of Tennessee, Hoskins Library.

EDUCATION: University of Tennessee, M.S.-Information Sciences, 2004; University of Tennessee, M.S -Educational Psychology, 2001; Mississippi State Technical CC, HAZWOPER Certification, 1995; University of Tennessee, B.A -Sociology, 1994.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Committees: ALA Council Committee on Education Intern, 2006-2007. ALA Divisions: Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) 2002-2006; ACRL, Anthropology and Sociology Section (ANSS), 2005-2006; ACRL, College Library Section (CLS), 2002-2006; ACRL, CLS Committee Virtual Member, 2004-2006; ACRL, University Library Section (ULS), 2002-2004, 2005-2006; Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA), 2002-2005; LAMA, Fund Raising and Financial Development Section (FRFDS), 2002-2005; LAMA, FRFDS Fund Fare Committee, 2004-2005; LAMA, FRFDS Publications Committee, 2003-2004 (Committee absorbed by LAMA Publications); LAMA, Human Resources Section (HRS), 2002-2005; LAMA, Library Organization and Management Section (LOMS), 2002-2005; LAMA, Measurement, Assessment and Evaluation Section (MSES), 2002-2005; Reference & User Services Association (RUSA), 2003-2004, 2005-2006; RUSA Business Reference and Services Section (BRASS), 2005-2006; RUSA Collection Development and Evaluation Section (CODES), 2005-2006; RUSA History Section (HS), 2005-2006; RUSA Machine Assisted Reference

Section (MARS), 2005-2006; RUSA Reference Services Section (RSS), 2005-2006; RUSA Sharing and Transforming Access to Resources Section (STARS), 2005-2006. Round Table/Committee Offices: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT), 2005-present; Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT), 2002-2005; Library Research Round Table (LRRT), 2002-2005; New Members Round Table (NMRT), 2002-present; NMRT Diversity Committee, 2003-2004; NMRT Leadership Development Committee, 2003-2004; NMRT Shirley Olofson Award Committee, 2003-2004; NMRT Student and Student Chapter Outreach Committee (SASCO), 2004-2005; NMRT Resume Review Committee, 2005-2006; NMRT Vice Presidential Planning Committee, 2006-2007; Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT), 2002-present. Representative to Other groups: NMRT Liaison to the ALA Committee on Legislation, 2004-2005; NMRT Liaison to Social Responsibilities Round Table, 2005-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: International Association of Social Science Information Service & Technology (IASSIST), 2004-2006; IASSIST Publications Committee, 2005-2006; IASSIST 2006 Conference Planning Committee, 2005-2006. Special Libraries Association (SLA), Student Chapter Secretary/Treasurer, 2003-2004. Tennessee Library Association (TLA), Student Chapter President, 2003-2004. University of Tennessee, School of Information Sciences Alumni Board Secretary, 2006-2007.

HONORS AND AWARDS: DLF Fall Forum Fellowship, 2006; 3M/NMRT Professional Development Grant, 2004; UT Team Excellence Award, University of Tennessee Libraries' Diversity Committee, 2003; Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, 2001; Miles 500 Award for Innovation in Customer Service, 2000.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: My current position is Project Manager for the TN statewide digital library project, Volunteer Voices. The project is an IMLS grant funded project with the primary goal of providing access to primary source material concerning the development of democracy in Tennessee. Previously I was the Data Services Coordinator at the University of Connecticut where I helped establish the Social Science & Geo-Spatial Data Service. During this time I have had an article on library diversity published in portal: Libraries and the Academy, and have published several book reviews. I've been very active in ALA since I was a student in the School of Information Sciences at the University of Tennessee.

ALA Member Since: 2002.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My professional concerns include open access to information, human rights and social justice for libraries, diversity in libraries, the development of digital libraries and their impact on society and information, increasing library salaries, and LIS education and continuing education. It is my personal goal to create tools and collections that support the development of an informed global citizenry, to put libraries at the forefront of institutions working towards securing human rights and social justice, to increase the diversity of library staff and patrons, to work towards increased salaries for library workers, and to assist in the development of standards for LIS education.
—TIFFANI CONNER

23. CATHARINE COOK, Director, Chickasha Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of Denver, Master of Arts in Librarianship, 1972; Northwestern Oklahoma State University, B.A. in English, 1967.

ALA ACTIVITIES: PLA 2007 Conference Coordinating Committee, Member, 2006; PLA National Conference 2002 Committee, Member, 2001; PLA Executive Board, Member at Large 2000; PLA Awards Committee Advancement of Literacy Award, Chair, 2002; PLA Awards Committee Excellence in Small &/or Rural Libraries, Chair, 1999 & 2000; PLA Library Development Cluster Steering Committee, Chair, 1998; PLA/SMLA Executive Committee, Director at Large, 1996 & 1997; PLA/SMLS Conference Program Committee 1995, Chair, 1993-1994; PLA/SMLS Ideas Exchange Committee, Chair, 1992; PLA/SMLS Publications Committee, Chair, 1989 & 1990 & 1991; ASCLA Board of Directors, 1982; ASCLA/LSACI Standards for Adult Correction Institutions, Member, 1987.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Oklahoma Library Association, Resolutions Committee, Chair, 1990; Oklahoma Library Association, Sites Committee, Chair, 1992; Oklahoma Library Association, Awards Committee, Chair, 2006; Oklahoma Library Association, Membership Committee, Chair, 2007.

ALA Member Since: 1975.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Several otherwise smart people (who should know better) have told me that public libraries are as outdated as buggy whips and are no longer needed. This concerns me greatly. We must get the word out about what libraries do that bookstores and the Internet cannot do. We help children learn to read faster, easier and better by reading to them in pre-school story hour. We teach seniors to use computers, send e-mail, and search the web. We provide books at an extraordinarily inexpensive cost per capita. We help people find information on the web. We give families a destination that is fun for the whole family. I am always concerned about the status and salaries of library workers and about challenges to intellectual freedom. Although these are old issues, every day presents a new problem and a new opportunity. We must continue our efforts in these two critical fields.

—CATHARINE COOK

24. TREVOR A. DAWES, Circulation Services Director, Princeton University Library.

EDUCATION: Columbia University, B.A., Sociology, 1991; Teachers College, Columbia University, M.A., Educational Administration, 1994; School of Communication, Information & Library Studies, Rutgers, M.L.S., 2001; Teachers College, Columbia University, Ed.M., Educational Leadership, 2002.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 2005-2006 Member, H.W. Wilson Staff Development Award Jury. 2006-2007 Chair, H.W. Wilson Staff Development Award Jury. 2006-2008 Member, ALA Council Committee on Diversity; Chair, 2006-2007. 2005-2007 Member, Professional Development Coordinating Committee; Chair, 2006-2007. 2005-2007 Member, ACRL Baltimore Planning Innovations Committee. 2003-2005 Vice Chair/Chair Elect, Excellence in Academic Libraries Award Nominating Committee. 2005-present Webmaster, LAMA Measurement, Assessment

& Evaluation Section (MAES). 2005-2007 Member, LAMA Systems And Services Section (SASS) Technical Services Committee. 2005-2006 Member, LAMA Membership Committee. 2004-2006 Member, ALA Patron Confidentiality Policy Review Sub-Committee of LAMA-SASS. 2003-2005 Member-at-Large and Executive Committee member, MAES. 2001-2003 Vice Chair/Chair-elect, SASS Circulation/Access Services Discussion Group.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: 2005-2007 Member, NJLA Professional Development Committee; 2005-present; Founding member and President, BCALA-NJ; 2005-2007 Member, Executive Board, BCALA. 2004-2006 Member, National Conference on African American Librarians planning committee. 2003-present Member, Cultural Diversity Discussion Group, ACRL-NY.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Gilbert H. Kelly Fellowship recipient. School of Communication, Information and Library Studies, Rutgers University. 1999-2001. Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) "Librarian Scholarship" recipient. Presented to attend the ACRL 12th National Conference in Minneapolis, MN. April 2005.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Dawes, Trevor A., ed. Marketing and Managing Electronic Reserves. Binghamton, NY: The Haworth Press, 2006. Dawes, Trevor A., Kimberly Sweetman & Catherine Von Elm. SPEC Kit #291: Access Services Organization and Management. Washington, DC: The Association of Research Libraries, November 2005. Dawes, T. "Is RFID Right For Your Library?" Journal of Access Services, vol. 2, no. 4, April, 2005.

ALA Member Since: 1993.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries have long been the place to which people go for information. Librarians, in their professional roles, have guided and taught users, and disseminated information to our community members. However, we are more than information keepers; we are leaders-leaders, not only in the information front, but also in the social, educational, and political arenas. As ALA Councilor-at-Large, I will work with my colleagues to ensure greater visibility of our leadership roles through our policies; our practices; and through our advocacy.

—TREVOR A. DAWES

25. JOHN DESANTIS, Cataloging & Metadata Services Librarian, Dartmouth College.

EDUCATION: University of Toronto, B.A. (Russian), 1978; University of Toronto, M.A. (Slavic Languages), 1979; University of Toronto, A.B.D. (Slavic Languages), 1985; University of Toronto, M.L.S., 1991.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council: Councilor-at-Large, 2004-2007. Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), 1991-present; Slavic and East European Section (SEES): Executive Board, 2004-2005, Automated Bibliographic Control Committee, 1998-2000; Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS), 1996-present; Council of Regional Groups, Speakers Bureau committee, 1999-2001; Video Round Table, 2000-2005; Notable Videos for Adults Committee (2003-2005).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Online Audio-Visual

Catalogers, Cataloging Policy Committee, 1999-2001; New England Library Association: Executive Board, 2000-2002; Conference Committee, 2000-2003; New England Technical Services Librarians: Executive Board, 1998-2002, President 2000-2001; East Coast Consortium for Slavic Library Collections, Dartmouth representative, 2001-present.

ALA Member Since: 1991.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I was very honored to have been elected to Council in 2004 and am seeking a second term in order to build on what I have learned in my first term and to make more substantial contributions to the work of Council. ALA is an influential organization in the library arena, and as such I believe that ALA should continue its good work in advocating the professional concerns of working librarians. The ways of delivering library services are changing from year to year as our users' expectations evolve and as technology continues to impact libraries. Too often, however, the traditional core values of library service are lost in favor of the latest trends. In the coming decade I expect that ALA will play a vital role in protecting libraries, librarians and library services from initiatives which undervalue our profession. I would like to help ALA work toward these goals.

—JOHN DESANTIS

26. THERESA DICKSON, Associate Director, Planning & Operations, Pioneer Library System.

EDUCATION: University of Oklahoma, Norman, Masters Degree, Human Relations/Human Resource Development, 1995; Masters Degree, Library & Information Sciences, 1974; Bachelor of Arts Degree, Political Science, 1968; Librarian VII Certificate, Oklahoma State Department of Libraries. NOTE: currently a Ph.D. student in Communications.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Mountain Plains Library Association, member since 1997; Membership/PR Co-Chair, 2004-; Board member 1998-2000. Oklahoma Library Association, member since 1982. Annual Conference Registration Chair, 2006-2007; Annual Conference Local Arrangements Committee, 2004-2005; Long Range Planning Committee, 2003-2004; Annual Conference Local Arrangements Committee, 2002-2003; Constitution and Bylaws Committee, 2001-2003; OLA Executive Board Secretary, 2000-2001; OLA Representative to Mountain Plains Library Association, 1998-2000; Intellectual Freedom Committee, 1994-1996; Social Responsibilities Roundtable, 1990-1991; Legislative Committee, 1987-1988; Continuing Education Committee, 1985 Children and Young People's Committee, 1983. Norman Hi-Noon Business and Professional Women's Association since 1994; Treasurer, 1998-2000; Recording Secretary, 1995-1997. Texas Library Association, member since 1995.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I began my professional career in 1974, after years of working a variety of library jobs. I quickly discovered that I needed additional skills which would promote effective teamwork and communicate a clear vision of the importance of libraries. So I participated in my state and regional associations (OLA, MPLA, TLA) and also sought additional formal education. Since 1987, I have presented short trainings in the technical, in personal skills, and in project management areas in Oklahoma, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New

Mexico, and North Dakota. I am currently a trainer for the State Department of Libraries' Librarian Certification Institute and have written two of the required courses: Collection Development and Interpersonal Skills. I have taught Collection Development at Oklahoma University's MLIS program and created a course on Project Management for Librarians for their consideration. In my present position, I am in charge of operations and personnel for a three-county library system. In that capacity, I work to find and share ways to teach without denigrating and to resolve through collaboration.

ALA Member Since: 1984.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am excited about the opportunity to serve on ALA's Council and participate in listening to the membership and enhancing the organization's strengths and support. Librarians need the opportunity to engage with the organization. Based on feedback I heard in ALA Open Door sessions at several MPLA member co-conferences, some feel that ALA's services are not attuned with the needs of the working librarian. I believe more needs to be done to communicate how well ALA can support them daily. Membership recruitment and retention are critical and take lots of work. Promoting ALA is one of the more valuable things we can do for one another. Encouraging librarians to learn and to lead will pay big dividends for the organization. I believe that creating more opportunities for members to feel vital and needed will make ALA more accessible to its members.

—THERESA DICKSON

27. AARON W. DOBBS, Systems and Electronic Resources Librarian, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.

EDUCATION: Wagner College, Psychology, B.A., 1990; School of Information Sciences, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Library Science, M.S.L.S., 1994; Austin Peay State University, Management, M.S.M., 2005.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Memberships: ACRL, CLS & ULS; LITA; RUSA, BRASS & MARS; GODORT; LHRT; NMRT. ALA: Membership Committee, Virtual Member 2004-2006; ALA: Office for Information Technology Policy (OITP) Advisory Committee, Member 2006-, Intern 2004-2006; OITP: L. Ray Patterson Award Nominations Committee, OITP Advisory Committee Representative 2004-2006; LITA: Web Coordinating Committee, Member 2004-, Web Coordinator for Committees, 2006-; NMRT: Leadership Development Committee, Chair 2003-2004, Co-Chair 2002-2003, Member 2002; NMRT: Web Steering Committee, Member 2002-2003.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Tennessee Library Association (TLA): Conference Planning Committee, Technology Subcommittee Chair 2004-2005, Technology Coordinator 2001-2002, Electronic Access Specialist 2000-2001; TLA: Interim Webmaster Oct 2002-Feb 2003; TLA: College and University Libraries Section, Conference Technology Coordinator August-October 2002 and July-October 2000. TENN-SHARE: Interim Webmaster April-June 2005; TENN-SHARE: Board of Directors, Academic Libraries Representative 2003-2005; TENN-SHARE: Legislation Committee, Member 2003-2005; TENN-SHARE: Collection Development Committee,

Member 2003-2005. Tennessee Digital Freedom Network (TNDF): Co-founder, 2002; TNDF: Discussion Forum administrator, 2002-2004; TNDF: Legislative Activist, 2002-2004.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Awarded Bon Voyage Grant for travel to EndUser—The Endeavor Information Systems user group meeting, October 2006. Awarded tenure at Austin Peay State University, July 2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: 1. Co-founder of Tennessee Digital Freedom Network. We successfully blocked the Tennessee S-DMCA in 2002 and drafted more acceptable language which was enacted into state law in 2003. 2. Negotiated significantly reduced technology costs for TLA annual conferences in 2000 and 2001. 3. Led an ad hoc discussion at ALA Annual Conference in Toronto on the postponed Highsmith Inc. & NMRT Leadership Development Workshop: "FISH!-Catch the Energy. Release the Potential" with attendees who had not heard about the postponement. 4. Coordinated the Highsmith Inc. & NMRT Leadership Development Workshop: "FISH!-Catch the Energy. Release the Potential." at the ALA Annual Conference in Orlando.

ALA Member Since: 2000.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries, and ALA, are active in national and international policy debates. Some relevant policies include: copyright/fair use, personal data (privacy, protection, aggregation, and use thereof), preservation (physical, electronic, locked, obsolete technologies), orphaned works, and wiretapping. ALA's internal debate should be informed by people who are aware of how technologies in use today could be affected, depending on the resolution of these policy debates. Also, we have new library school graduates seeking not-so-abundant positions; these folks, and newly hired librarians, have a crushing debt load. ALA Council should consider resolving to support legislation similar to last year's proposed "Librarian Education and Development Act;" Council should continue to represent member interests as well as organizational goals. I will strive to be an effective conduit for the diverse knowledge of ALA members to inform Council debate on these and other issues. May I please have your vote?

—AARON W. DOBBS

28. JOSEPH FENNEWALD, Head Librarian, Penn State University-Hazleton Campus.

EDUCATION: University of Missouri at Kansas City, B.A., Sociology, 1978; University of Kansas, M.S.W., Social Welfare, 1982; University of Missouri, M.A., Library Science, 1992.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA, Chapter Relations Committee, Board member, 2007-2008; ALA, Chapter Relations Committee, Intern, 2004-2006; ACRL, Professional Development Committee, Member, 2004-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: ACRL-Delaware Valley Chapter, President, 2003-2004. Pennsylvania Library Association (PaLA), Board Member, 2000-2002; PaLA, Program Chair of Centennial Conference, 2001; PaLA, Chair, College & Research Division, 1999-2000; PaLA, Chair, Northeast Chapter, 1996.

HONORS AND AWARDS: New Librarian Award, PaLA, 1997; Beta Phi Mu, 1993 Kappa Delta Pi, 1992.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Recent publications include: "The ACRL Conference: A Profile of Its Presenters," C&RL (March 2007) and "Perished or Published: The Fate of Presentations at the 9th ACRL Conference," C&RL (Nov. 2005). I have also had publications appear in the Journal of Library Administration, The Reference Librarian, and C&RL News. I have given papers at the ALISE 2006 Conference, Library Research Seminar III, and the PaLA Annual Conference.

ALA Member Since: 1991.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

It has been my privilege to hold office on library boards and committees at the local, state, regional, and national levels. As a result of that experience, I believe I can represent well the concerns of library workers at the grassroots. I endorse the vision embodied in the ALA's strategic plan, ALAhead to 2010. I believe it represents the hopes and aspirations of the great majority of our members and that it will serve us well for the next three years.

—JOSEPH FENNEWALD

29. NADINE M. FLORES, Adult Librarian II, Los Angeles Public Library-Echo Park Branch.

EDUCATION: Graduate School of Education & Information Studies, UCLA. M.L.I.S., 1995, Area of Specialization: Information Organization; Graduate Division, University of California, Riverside, M.A., Art History, 1992; College of Humanities & Social Sciences, University of California, Riverside, B.A., Art History, 1987.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Councilor-at Large, 2004-2007. NMRT-Past President, 2006-2007; NMRT-President, 2005-2006; NMRT-Vice President, 2004-2005; NMRT-Network Director, 2003-2004; NMRT-Outreach Director, 2002-2003; NMRT-Student & Student Chapter Outreach Committee Liaison; NMRT-Student & Student Chapter Outreach Committee Member, 1999-2000, 2000-2001. Projects: Portfolio team. NMRT-Liaison to ARTS Section; NMRT-Exhibitor Contact & Relations Committee Member, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, Chair, 2001-2002; NMRT-Ad Hoc History Hall of Fame, Chair 2001; ACRL-ARTS Section, Conference Planning Committee, Chair, 2001 (Beat Generation: Collaboration and Community); ACRL-ARTS Section, Newsletter Assistant Editor, 2000-2001, Editor, 2001-2002.; ACRL -Instruction Section, Conference Planning Program Committee Member, 2002-2004; IRRT-Continuing Education Committee Member 2002-2004.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: "Is Seeing Understanding?" C&RL Newsletter, Vol. 61, No. 5, September 2000. NMRT Footnotes, v30 n3, March 2001. "Keeping Current through Professional Organizations," Info Career Trends, January 2002. Agony and the Ecstasy: The Misunderstandings of Commitment and Expectations of Committee Leadership," LISCareer, December 2003.

ALA Member Since: 1998.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

1) Outreach and Diversity-I believe one of our goals should focus on recruiting and retaining multi-ethnic people by providing outreach to students on the undergraduate level to encourage them to join the information profession. 2) Information Literacy-Internet access provides a wealth of information to the public. Never-

theless, instruction should be a priority for all reference librarians to assist the public or student in navigating and discerning relevant information. We still have a long way to go in insuring an information literate user population. In my position as adult librarian, I am strongly committed to teaching online searching classes to educate our community. 3) Intellectual Freedom-As information professionals we have an obligation to uphold intellectual freedom. We cannot remain complacent to intrusive legislation that infringe upon individual rights. Our user population must be free to read what they want regardless of the format. —NADINE M. FLORES

30. SARAH FLOWERS, Deputy County Librarian, Santa Clara County Library.

EDUCATION: Kansas State University, B.A., 1974; University of California (Berkeley), M.A. (History), 1976; San Jose State University, M.L.S., 1992.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Member of: ALA, YALSA, PLA, ALSC. YALSA Youth Participation Committee, member 1996-2000; Chair 1997-1998; YALSA Outstanding Books for the College Bound Committee member 1997-1999; YALSA Local Arrangements Committee Chair, 2001; YALSA Selected DVDs & Videos for Young Adults Committee member, 1999-2003; YALSA Printz Award 2004 Committee member, 2002-2004; YALSA Board of Directors, 2005-2007; YALSA/RUSA Joint Task Force on Reference Guidelines for Teens, co-chair, 2006-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: California Library Association (CLA) member, 1991-present. CLA 2004 Conference Planning Committee, Local Arrangements Chair, 2003-2004; CLA 2006 Conference Planning Committee Chair, 2005-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Phi Beta Kappa, 1974. Library Journal's "Movers and Shakers," March 2002. Member, Pioneer Class (2000), Stanford/California State Library Institute on 21st Century Librarianship.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Book reviewer, Voice of Youth Advocates (VOYA), 1994-present. "Teen Screen" video review column, VOYA, 2001-present. Media reviewer, School Library Journal, 1999-present. Articles: "This, Too, Shall Pass," School Library Journal, Nov. 1998; "Fairy Tale Retellings: An Annotated Bibliography," VOYA, Dec. 1996. Books: "Teens and the Big Screen" in Thinking Outside the Book, ed. C. Allen Nichols, Libraries Unlimited, 2004. Four (non-library-related) nonfiction series books for young people.

ALA Member Since: 1989.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I have a variety of professional interests and concerns, and I hope to represent those in the larger context of ALA. I am a strong supporter of youth services, active in YALSA; I am a California librarian, active in my state association; I am an administrator in an urban/suburban library; I am interested in nurturing a vital and forward-looking group of librarians and library workers for the future; I believe in the power of library associations to influence the profession; and I want ALA to continue to be a strong voice for intellectual freedom and for positive library-related legislation. —SARAH FLOWERS

31. CHARLES FORREST, Library Planning Officer, Emory University.

EDUCATION: Michigan State University, B.A., Telecommunications and Psychology, 1976; University of Wisconsin—Madison, M.A., Library Science, 1979.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA 2007 (Washington, DC) Conference Program Coordinating Team, 2005-2007. LAMA Program Committee, 2002-2006. AIA/ALA Library Building Awards; Library Juror, 2005. LAMA Committee on Organization (COO), 2003-2005. LAMA Fund Raising and Financial Development Section Board Member at Large, 2004-2006 (elected). Trends, Marketing & Project Development Committee, 2002-2004. LAMA Buildings and Equipment Section. Immediate Past-Chair, 2001-2002. Chair, 2000-01. Vice-Chair, Chair-Elect (elected), 1999-2000. LAMA-BES Committees Chair, Library Interiors Discussion Group, 2001-2003. Chair, Library Facilities Planning Discussion Group, 1996-1999. Secretary, Executive Committee (elected), 1995-1997. Interiors, Furnishings and Equipment Committee, 1993-1997. Library Building Awards Committee, 1991-1993. Chair, 1991-1992. LAMA/YBP, Inc. (Inaugural) Student Writing and Development Award, Selection Committee (appointed), 1998. LAMA President's Program Committee, 1997-1998. LAMA-LOMS Financial Management Committee, 1994-1997. Chair, 1995-1997. ACRL Strategic Planning Committee member (appointed), 1994-1995. ACRL Instruction Section (IS), Conference Program Planning Committee, Atlanta 1991; 1989-1991. ALCTS Audiovisual Committee, AV Producer/Distributor Library Relations Subcommittee, 1989-1991. LITA Distributed Systems and Networks Interest Group, 1987-1992. Chair, 1990-1992. Vice-Chair, 1989-1990. ACRL Audiovisual Committee, 1985-1989. LAMA-SASS Publications and Bibliography Committee 1984-1988. ALA-NMRT Conference Mentor Program (volunteer), 1994-1996. ACRL/AECT (Association for Educational Communications and Technology) Joint Committee, 1988-1990.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: GLA (Georgia Library Association), Editorial Board, Georgia Library Quarterly, 1994-1998. Associate Editor, 1996-1998. GAIT (Georgia Association for Instructional Technology), Board member/higher education (elected), 1991-1992. ILA (Illinois Library Association) Annual Program Planning Committee, Poster Session Subcommittee, 1986-1988. MLA (Medical Library Association) Medical Schools Libraries Section, Nominating Committee, 1983.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 2004. Best Paper Award. For the paper "Segmenting the library market: Reaching out to the user community by reaching across the organization". Sponsored by the Academic Library Division of the Georgia Library Association and EBSCO Subscription Services; awarded at the fall conference of the Georgia Council of Media Organizations, Athens, GA, October 14, 2004. 2002. Best Paper Award. For the paper "From Inputs to Outcomes: Measuring Library Service Effectiveness through User Surveys," co-authored with Amy Williamson. Sponsored by the Academic Library Division of the Georgia Library Association and Blackwell's; awarded at the fall conference of the Georgia Council of Media Organizations, Athens, GA, October 10, 2002. 1985. Microforms International "PaperLess

Chase" essay prize, November, 1985. 1983. Murray Gottlieb History of Medicine Prize. Awarded annually by the Medical Library Association to the health sciences librarian who submits the best unpublished essay on the history of medicine or allied sciences. For the paper: "The Phenomenology of Phrenology: A Note on the Hegelian Critique of Gall's Special Organology." 1979 Member: Beta Phi Mu (National Library Academic Honor Society).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: A member of ALA since 1984, my record of professional involvement includes presentations, panel participation, poster sessions, contributed papers, and award-winning publications. I have held appointed and elected positions in professional organizations at the state level including the Illinois Library Association (ILA) and the Georgia Library Association (GLA), and within ALA in the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), and the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA). In a professional career spanning more than twenty five years, I have answered reference questions, managed circulation services, cataloged books and other media, taught library instruction courses, administered library budgets, and served as planner, coordinator and project manager for library construction and renovation projects encompassing nearly a quarter of a million square feet, representing total expenditures in excess of \$30M.

ALA Member Since: 1984.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Thanks for reading my statement. This is a challenging, perilous and exciting time for libraries. ALA is the professional association of choice for those who are committed to our legacy, who are concerned about our present, and who care about our future. Your Association recently renewed its commitment to: • Promote the profession; • Develop and improve library and information services; and • Advocate for the value of libraries in a free and open information society. Council is the governing body of ALA. As one of 100 elected councilors at large, I pledge to: • Understand how Council can work for positive change in the profession; • Influence Council's agenda and activities in these key areas; and • Report back to you what Council does and how its work affects you. With your support, I'll give it a try! Thank you very much.

—CHARLES FORREST

32. ELINOR FOSTER, Dean of Library Services, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

EDUCATION: Wake Forest University, B.A., 1964; UNC Greensboro, M.L.S., 1979; UNC Greensboro, Ed.D., 1986.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Human Resources Development and Advisory Committee, 2006-2007; ACRL Effective Practices Committee, 2006-2007; LAMA Leadership Development Committee, 2001-2005; ACRL Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2001-2002; ACRL Professional Enhancement Committee, 1998-2000; LAMA Comparative Library Organization Committee, 1998-2000; LAMA Small Libraries Publications Series Committee, 1993-1995; ACRL Planning Committee, 1993-1994; ACRL Standards and Accreditation Committee, 1988-1991.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: UNC System University Library Council, Vice Chair 2005-2007, Secretary, 2001-2005; University of Texas System Texas Council of State University Librarians, Secretary, 1998; North Georgia Associated Libraries, Secretary-Treasurer, 1989; Georgia Library Association, Chair, Public Relations Committee, 1998-1989; North Carolina Community College Learning Resources Associates, Secretary and District Director, 1985-1986.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Awarded North Carolina Library Association Scholarships in 1978 (Query-Long) and Memorial (1984); selected for presentation at the North Carolina Association of School Librarians Media Fair, 1982; served as the University of Texas-Pan American representative on the South Texas Community College Advisory Committee, 1993-98; served as the library representative on the SACS visiting team to Chowan College in 1998; won the slogan contest on "The Future of North Carolina Libraries," 1999; asked to make presentation on several occasions to the Col. Thomas Robeson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Lumberton, NC, on topics relating to libraries and American history.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: A native of Henderson, North Carolina, I have served in positions of library service in public school, community college, and university settings in North Carolina, as well as college and university settings in Georgia and Texas. I was the director of library services at the following: Brenau College, Pembroke State University, and the University of Texas-Pan American; currently I am Dean of Library Services at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. My publications include a monograph (FROM READING ROOM TO RESOURCE CENTER: THE HISTORY OF THE BRENAU COLLEGE LIBRARY, 1989); several articles, including one in the summer 2006 issue of LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION & MANAGEMENT and one in COLLEGE & RESEARCH LIBRARIES NEWS 60: several book reviews published in THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER 2004-06; an article on the history of the library at Pembroke State University in THE ROBESONIAN, 1992; annual reports and procedures manuals at UT Pan American and UNC Pembroke. My professional service has included conference planning and committee work for North Carolina community college and comprehensive library organizations..

ALA Member Since: 1984.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

It's more important than ever to assist library users in embracing the elevated sense of the library as a place we in the profession have always enjoyed. The library is where the users are appreciated as individuals who love the resources and ambiance afforded by libraries, and we, the library professionals, guide the users to taking optimum advantage of the plethora of resources libraries offer. What's more, libraries are an outstanding value in that these splendid resources are made available at little or no direct charge to the customers; we know this and want to make certain this elevated sense of the value of libraries is widely recognized and appreciated. In summary, the library as a place, a destination of choice, is a concept that needs to be reinforced by librarians as individuals and by our professional organization. Council must support this aspect of ALA's functionality.

—ELINOR FOSTER

33. LOIDA GARCIA-FEBO, Assistant Coordinator, Special Services, Queens Library.

EDUCATION: Master of Library and Information Science, University of Puerto Rico, 1999; Bachelor of Arts, Business Education, University of Puerto Rico, 1996.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA/Intellectual Freedom Round Table/ Director-at-Large 2006-2008; International Relations Committee, member 2006-2008; International Relations Round Table/Americas Subcommittee member, 2002-2004; 2004-2006; Diversity Committee/Diversity Council [REFORMA representative] 2004-2005; 2005-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: IFLA/New Professionals Discussion Group [NPDG] -Convenor 2004-Present. Management of Library Associations Section-Ex-Officio member 2005-Present. FAIFE Co-opt member 2006-2007. REFORMA/Executive Board member/Chapter Representative 2006-2008; REFORMA/Northeast Chapter President, 2005-2006; Board Member/Librarian of the Year Award [LOTY], Chair 2003-2005; Northeast Chapter Programs Committee, Liaison to New York Library Association 2003-2005. ACURIL, Association of Caribbean Universities, Research, Investigation Libraries-Public Relations Committee, 2003. Currently a member.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Selected to be one of three librarians whose picture appears in Queens Library's promotional campaign in buses and buses' shelters in the borough of Queens, N.Y. Campaigns on 2006 and 2007. Selected to participate in a Soaring to Excellence national video teleconference from College of DuPage titled Serving Immigrant Populations: A Library Prototype for Diversity. Queens Library's Library Luminary Award for "developing and promoting the Spanish language collection; planning, organizing and promoting cultural arts programs, location of partners for co-sponsorship of Hispanic cultural events and more, in support of multilingual and multicultural library services. September 2004." Selected from more than 750 applicants as one of the 30 fellows for the "Fellowship for the Americas" program, sponsored by the IFLA 2001 National Organizing Committee to attend the IFLA Conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina in August, 2004.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Co-established (2004) and is still co-convenor of IFLA/New Professionals Discussion Group which seeks to broaden the involvement of recently qualified professionals in IFLA. Articles: "New Professionals Wave at IFLA." Versed. January 2005. "Diary of a Young Latina Librarian at IFLA-Buenos Aires." REFORMA Newsletter. 22(3) 2004: 1, 19. Since 2002 work with IFLA/FAIFE as a Spanish language translator collaborator. Includes IFLA/FAIFE 2003 and 2005 World Reports, and their questionnaires and answers from Spanish language countries; 2006 Theme Report. Advocacy: free access to information to all. Due to recent events, I've focused on the right of access to information by immigrants regardless of their background or legal status. Article: "Librarians Unite Against H.R. 4437." REFORMA Newsletter. 24 (1/2) 2006, 11. Initiated REFORMA Northeast joint conferences with ALA ethnic caucuses; joint program with BCALA presented in May 2005; joint BCALA and CALA program, in 2006. Scheduled: Joint ALA five caucus program for May '07. Article: "ALA

Ethnic Caucuses without Borders." Versed. January 2006. Focus on issues affecting libraries as 'the heart of the community.' Article: "Our Daughters-Young Latinas in Crisis." Criticas. 15 August 2006.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am genuinely interested in promoting intellectual freedom, library and information professionals in alliance with civil society organizations. It is not a luxury, it is a need. I am deeply committed to advocate for free and equal services to all regardless any individual's nationality, residency, or status. I am very eager to continue working with ALA different units and affiliates, beyond their borders, to establish and promote programs of benefit and unity to all members. I am committed to work with senior librarians and professional bodies to help facilitate the development of new librarians within libraries and professional associations. I intend to continue the work started when I co-established IFLA New Professionals Discussion Group to broaden the involvement of recently qualified professionals in ALA, its core values and professional priorities.

—LOIDA GARCIA-FEBO

34. CAROLYN LOWE GARNES, Atlanta, GA.

EDUCATION: BS Alcorn State University, English Ed., 1970; MSLS, University of Illinois, 1972.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Library Association 1980-present: Continuous Member; Council 2002-2005; Social Responsibilities Round Table, Member-at-Large 1996-2000 & 1986-1989; Chair, Coretta Scott King Book Award, Task Force 1993-1997; Office of Literacy and Outreach Services, Advisory Committee 1993-1995; Young Adult Services Division, Conference Planning, 1984; Black Caucus of ALA, Executive Board, 1989-1990 & 1999-2001; Black Caucus of ALA, 4th National Conference, Program Chair 1999; Public Library Association 1980-2000 Young Adult Services Division 1980-2000 Library Administration and Management Division, 1999-2003, Association of School Librarians, 2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Fulton County Employees Association, Vice President, 1985-86.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Retired— 30 year tenure with Atlanta-Fulton Public Library moving from entry level librarian to Deputy Director. Designed, implemented and directed the Library System's outreach program; reaching out to special populations including public housing residents, geographically isolated, senior citizens and "at-risk" preschoolers. Worked effectively with schools and promoted the enjoyment of reading, life long learning and family literacy throughout the community. Currently, a library consultant on special assignment as a media specialist at a local elementary school.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I would welcome a second term on the ALA governing council. I believe that recruiting and mentoring are vital to our survival as a profession. The future of our profession is highly contingent on our ability to train a new generation of librarians. Senior librarians are in a crucial position to assist in the mentoring and recruiting effort. It is incumbent on us to develop mentoring and career development programs that cultivate cul-

turally sensitive and deeply committed librarians who will continue to serve our diverse communities. I am proud to have co-founded a mentoring group in Atlanta where many of our mentees have experienced promotional opportunities and job enhancement. I support ALA's strategic plan designed to enhance our professional development and ensure access to information for all.

—CAROLYN LOWE GARNES

35. CLAYTON GARTHWAIT, Access Services Librarian, West Chester University.

EDUCATION: University of Delaware, B.A. History, 1992; Drexel University, M.S. Library and Information Studies, 1997.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ACRL, member, 2005- EBSS, RBMS, ULS; LAMA, member, 2005-LOMS; LITA, member, 2005-; RUSA, member, 2005-HS, STARS; ERT, member, 2005-; NMRT, member, 2005- archives committee, 2006, 2007.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Beta Phi Mu, Sigma Chapter, admitted 1997.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I am currently a University librarian serving a diverse patron population. As Access Services librarian I am involved with many areas of the library including circulation, reserves, ILL, public computer workstations, staff supervision, ADA issues, printing and more. I also work at the reference desk, give instruction sessions, and help with collection development. My position provides opportunities to help patrons in many ways. My first professional position was at the University of Pennsylvania Law Library where I spent 5 years as Head of Circulation/Digital projects manager. I have a strong interest and experience in archives and special collections. I have also worked in special libraries. I am active in local, state, and national library organizations (AALL, PALA, KLN, TCLC). If elected to a Council I will strive to serve all ALA members with an earnest dedication to the organization.

ALA Member Since: 1997-98, 2005-.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My professional concerns are many. I am particularly interested in service improvements for our patrons. I strive to find a balance between electronic and traditional resources. I want libraries to maintain a valuable place in all communities. Council would give me an opportunity to make a real impact on all types of libraries. I would like ALA Council to work as a body to represent the concerns of all libraries in all areas. Libraries first! I feel my work experience has given me valuable insight into the myriad of issues facing libraries and librarianship.

—CLAYTON GARTHWAIT

36. JUDITH GIBBONS, Director, Field Services Division, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives.

EDUCATION: M.S.L.S., University of Kentucky, 1978; M.P.A., Kentucky State University, 1994; B.A., Pennsylvania State University, 1972.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Chair, ALA Public Awareness Committee 2006-Present; Member, Leslie Burger Presidential Advisory Committee, 2005-Present; Member, Carol A. Brey-Casiano Presidential Advisory Committee, 2003-2004; Chair, PLA Excellence in Small/Rural Library Service Award Jury, 2006-Present; ASCLA, Director at Large, 2001-2003; Chair, ALA LAMA Public Relations Section Executive Board

2001-2002; Member, LAMA PRMS John Cotton Dana Library PR Award Committee, 1998-2001, 2003-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President, Southeastern Library Association (SELA) 2004-2006; Member, Kentucky Public Library Association (KPLA) Legislative Committee 1993-Present; Secretary, Kentucky Library Association (KLA) 1997-1998; Chair, SELA/KLA Joint Conference Committee 1995-1996; Chair, KLA Public Library Section 1994-1995; Chair, KLA, Public Library Section Conference 1994; In-Focus Editor, KLA Association Newsletter 1990-1993; Chair, KLA Public Relations Committee, 1987-1988.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Kentucky Public Library Association, Outstanding Public Library Service Award 2006; Commonwealth of Kentucky, Employee Recognition Award 2003; Woodford County Business and Professional Women's Club, Business Equity Award 1997; ALA, LAMA & The H. W. Wilson Company, John Cotton Dana Public Relations Award 1995; Woodford County Business and Professional Women's Club, Woman of Achievement Award 1994.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: "We Lobbied Legislators with 70 Bookmobiles," MLS:Marketing Library Services, May/June, 2006. "Public Library A,B,C's: Advocacy, Bookmobiles and the Commonwealth," Kentucky Libraries, Summer, 2005. "Literacy: Investing in Kentucky's People." Kentucky Monthly, August, 2001. "Planning for Public Libraries," Kentucky Libraries, Winter, 1997. "Kentucky Public Library Advocacy: Building Bridges to Tomorrow," Kentucky Libraries, Summer, 1995.

ALA Member Since: 1984.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The contemporary library is building on tradition while anticipating the future in an uncertain world. In the past, libraries and library workers were predictable. There were few options available for service. Today, there are myriad opportunities coupled with limited resources. As the competition for private and public funds becomes stronger, it is vital for library staff and supporters to advocate for quality libraries and well trained personnel. My participation in ALA has offered me an opportunity to work with a variety of creative and hard working individuals from diverse backgrounds and disciplines, I welcome the opportunity to further serve the membership of the American Library Association.

—JUDITH GIBBONS

37. MARTI GODDARD, Access Services Manager, San Francisco Public Library. Education: University of Northern Colorado, B.A., Deaf Education, 1975; University of Hawaii at Manoa, M.L.S., 1983.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Diversity Council: chair 2005 & 2006, member 2004-2007; Office of Library Outreach Services Advisory Committee: member 1990-1994; ASCLA/Americans with Disabilities Act Assembly: member 1996-present; ASCLA Nominating Committee: member 2005, chair 2004; ASCLA Organization and Bylaws Committee: member 2000-2001; ASCLA Standards Review Committee: member 1996-1999; PLA Conference Planning Committee: member 1998-1999; ASCLA/Libraries Serving Special Populations Section: chair 2000 and 2006; ASCLA/LSSPS/Library Service to

People who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing Forum: chair 1991, 1997, 2003; PLA Representative to the Accessibility Assembly: 2005-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: California Library Association, Services to Restricted or Disabled Persons Roundtable, chair 2000-2001 and 2007, member 1993-present; San Francisco Mayor's Disability Council: Vice-Chair 1996-1997, member 1993-1997; Hearing Society for the Bay Area-Hearing Impaired Program Advisory Board: member 1991-1997.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I was honored to work with the Bay Area Deaf Community to design an "ideal Deaf library" for San Francisco's new Main Library, which opened in 1996. Serving as the Library's Access Services Manager and ADA Coordinator for public services has given me the opportunity to work with colleagues to make the whole SFPL system more accessible for users with disabilities. With a colleague at Oakland Public Library, I founded a group called Bay Area Disability Services Librarians, which has met bi-monthly for more than 10 years to provide a place for librarians to share information and plan together. Publications: "Access Through Technology" in NetConnect (supplement to Library Journal) Spring 2004. Editor: "Guidelines for Library and Information Services for the American Deaf Community," Chicago, IL: ALA/ASCLA, 1996.

ALA Member Since: 1986.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Working in disability communities and participating in various ALA diversity initiatives has made me passionate about ensuring that all kinds of libraries have the ability to provide access to their services and materials for users of all abilities and ages, and who represent all racial and ethnic groups. I am eager to find more ways for members in various ALA divisions to work together to develop tools and resources to help colleagues implement the "big picture" policies and guidelines found in the ALA Handbook. Using principles of universal design, we can assure excellent public service through accessible electronic resources as well as accessible buildings. Finally, I am excited by the power of the ALA 2.0 recommendations for expanding opportunities for all members to participate meaningfully in the activities of the Association.

—MARTI GODDARD

38. CATHERINE GREENE, Director, Library Services, Miami Country Day School.

EDUCATION: Trinity College-Burlington VT, B.A. (English) 1963; Chapman University- Orange, CA, M.A. (Education), 1972; University of So. Calif.-Los Angeles, CA, M.S.L.S., 1974.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Career Development Preconference Task Force, ASCLA 2002-2004; American Libraries Advisory Committee, 2005-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Founding member: Southeast Florida Independent Librarians Consortia, Chairman: 2003-present.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Beta Phi Mu 1974 (University of So. Calif.) Education Award-School of Education, Univ. of So Calif. 1974.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have been a member of the Editorial Board of The Admission Review from Fall 2004 to the present; I'm presently writing an article for publication in the Fall 2006 issue. I'm on the Board of Directors of the Children's

Museum of Boca Raton, FL.; I also represent the Museum at collaborative videoconferences sponsored by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). I am a founding member of the Southeast Florida Independent Librarian's Consortia; our third year begins Sept. 2006. When I was a medical librarian, I reviewed medical books for Library Journal. I've also reviewed grant applications for the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). I initiated membership in SEFLIN making Miami Country Day School the first independent school to be accepted for membership in this organization; I presently serve on the LAM committee and the Reference committee. At the 33rd Annual FAME Conference Oct. 19-21, 2005 in Orlando, I jointly presented a concurrent session with two librarian colleagues.

ALA Member Since: 1999.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

There are approximately 122,000 libraries in the United States and we face a terrible shortage of professional librarians. The ramifications of this dire fact should ignite strong emotions and be a call to action for this growing problem. There is one solution: Recruit and Educate. It is imperative that the collaborative efforts of all ALA divisions, members and library schools be united in an aggressive recruiting campaign. Place this issue on meeting agendas and address it as a priority to lay the groundwork and alleviate the shortage increase. We need to find educated candidates for library schools. We should "grow our own" by encouraging staff members to become librarians. Publicize the increased funding in the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Grant Program, investigate scholarships at library schools and encourage potential candidates of quality to apply. We need to be proactive and take a leadership role in recruitment.

—CATHERINE GREENE

39. SUSAN F. GREGORY, Branch Manager, Norman Public Library/Pioneer Library System. **EDUCATION:** University of Oklahoma, B.A. in History, 1978; University of Oklahoma, M.L.I.S., 1986.

ALA ACTIVITIES: LAMA Cultural Diversity Grant Committee, Member, 2006-2008; LAMA Financial Advancement Committee, Member, 2005-2007; LAMA Board of Directors, FRFDS, 1998; LAMA FRFDS Trends and Marketing Committee, Member, 2003-2006; LAMA FRFDS Virtual Membership Task Force, Member, 1999-2001; LAMA FRFDS Nominating Committee, Member, 1999; LAMA FRFDS Section, Chair, 1997; LAMA FRFDS, Executive Committee, Member-at-large, 1991-1993; LAMA FRFDS Program Committee, 1988-1992; LAMA FRFDS Fund Fare Committee, Co-Chair, 1988-1990.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Oklahoma Library Association, Co-Chair, BookStore Committee, 2005; Oklahoma Library Association, Chair, Reference Roundtable, 1990. NEH "Let's Talk About It" Board of Directors, Oklahoma, 1989-1997. United Way of Cleveland County Campaign Cabinet, Member, 2005-2006. United Way of Cleveland County Allocations Committee, Member, 2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Leadership Norman, Class of 1997, Norman Chamber of Commerce. Beta Phi Mu, 1986.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: The most rewarding professional contribution that I can claim is to be one of the creators and producers of our library's annual Cultural Festivals. I had long been concerned about the lack of cultural diversity in our library's customer base, given that we live in a large university town and that over 48 different languages are spoken by children in our public school system. Introducing the library and our services to members of the Hispanic, African American and Native American ethnic groups in Norman was difficult until we began holding annual grant-based cultural festivals in 2003. The Hispanic Festival each fall has grown from original attendance of 400 to over 2200 last year. Likewise, the Black History Festival in February and the Native American Festival in November draw thousands of people—many of them new customers—to the library, as well. The importance of inviting diverse cultural and ethnic groups to our libraries only increases as the political climate becomes more heated regarding immigration. Libraries can honor and explain the gift of diversity better than any other institution.

ALA Member Since: 1989.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The two most urgent professional concerns I have are a lack of ethnic diversity in librarianship and the importance of fundraising, traditional and non-traditional, for library stability. We face a troubling lack of diverse staff in our library, despite recruiting efforts, and I hear from colleagues in other public and academic libraries that they are facing the same challenge. The lack of ethnically diverse job applicants concerns me for both professional and paraprofessional positions, as paraprofessionals often choose to enter graduate school for the MLIS after working in a library at an entry level. We need to discover why we, as a profession, aren't appealing to people from different ethnic backgrounds and what we can do to change the situation quickly and effectively. We must also keep library doors open, so I am committed to providing the most informative, useful programs on different fundraising techniques to ALA colleagues at library conferences and other appropriate venues. Thank you!

—SUSAN F. GREGORY

40. LARRY GRIECO, Library Director, Gilpin County Public Library District.

EDUCATION: S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo, Undergraduate English B.A., 1970; S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo, Graduate Library Science M.L.S., 1973.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA/PLA Rural Library Services Committee, 2002-Present, Chair of Committee, 2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Head, Small Libraries Section, Colorado Library Association, 1987; Chair, Intellectual Freedom Committee, Mountain Plains Library Association, 1988.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Organizer, "Intellectual Freedom for Rural Libraries: How to Keep the Library for Everyone." Program at ALA Annual Conference, 2006. Panelist, "Congratulations, Rural Library Director! You've got the Job. Now What?," program at ALA Annual Conference, 2005.

ALA Member Since: 2000.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am concerned about the state of intellectual freedom in public libraries, the right of privacy of the individual library user, and the equal access of all to information, to library materials, and to the Internet. I am convinced that the profession of librarianship needs to reaffirm these as core values, and library schools need to pass them on to the next generation of librarians. I believe the statements in the Library Bill of Rights and Libraries: An American Value should be revisited, reinforced, and readopted by today's American Library Association.

—LARRY GRIECO

41. CLAIRE B. GRITZER, Director, New Hampshire Library Trustees Association. **EDUCATION:** Southern Ct State College, M.L.S.-Computer Technology Course, 2002; University of Hartford-Executive Master's Degree Public Administration, 1992; Eastern CT State College-B.S., 1983.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 2005-Legislative Chair ALA-Representative for ALA; ALA Round Table-New Member; ALTA Action Development Committee 2004-2007; ALTA Education for Trustees-2004-2006; ALTA Local Arrangements Committee-2003-2007; ALTA President's Program-2004-2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Vice President NH Library Trustee Association-2001-2005; Trustee Chair-Twin Mountain Public Library 2000-Present; Regional President "International Training in Communication"-1997-1998, 2002-2003; Vice President "CT State Democratic Women's Club"-1994; Bylaws Chair-National Federation of Democratic Women-2001; Executive Vice President Ct State Federation of Democratic Women.

HONORS AND AWARDS: ALTA Gale Outstanding Trustee Conference Grant \$750-2001; ALA-Literacy Award-Gail Dysleski, President-Outstanding Achievement in the struggle against Literacy-2001; International Training in Communication (ITC)-1993; Appreciation for Outstanding Member State of CT General Assembly Official Citation-1985; State of CT Secretary of State Official Citation 1985; Proclamation from Secretary of State and Mayor of South Windsor, CT-1983; Official Citation-Secretary of State Barbara Kennelly for Services Rendered during the 1981 General Assembly.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: International Training in Communications publications; Training Consultant; Research Analyst extraordinaire; to include Evaluation abilities at all levels of discipline. Meeting Planner for various Workshops and Conventions. Presently at the local level, duties entrusted are Trustee of the Trust Funds. My background included being Liaison to the Secretary of State in Connecticut by virtue of my position as First Vice President of the Registrar's Association and a member of the Legislative Committee with the power and privilege to enact new laws.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

It has come to my attention that the number of Councilors-at-Large is staggering and that the discipline seems to be that members mostly have an academic background. It would be feasible to include more Public Library and/or staff members as well as Trustees of the Library or a

percentage thereof. There should also be term limits for a variety of creative ideals to be brought forth by the minority. As I noted during a debate, there was dissension towards establishing a salary for a Librarian without taking into consideration the laws in each state vary and many could not afford the sum of \$40,000, but no one made a motion to the contrary and it passed. A more focussed program for Councilors-at-Large would be beneficial and productive for the benefit of the whole.

—CLAIRE B. GRITZER

42. CHARLES HANSON, Director of Library Services, Kettering University.

EDUCATION: B.A., University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; M.L.S., University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee; Ph.D., Bowling Green State University.

ALA ACTIVITIES: PLA Membership Committee, 1980-1986; PLA International Relations Committee, 1988-1991 and again 2002-present; Chair, LAMA Council of Library Affiliates, 1994-1995; LAMA, Small Libraries Publications Committee, 1997-2000; PLA President's Committee, 1991; IFLA delegate, 2003-present; Member, ACRL and SRRT; Intellectual Freedom; National Library Week Subcommittee, 2004-2006; FOLUSA Board member and Secretary, 2004-present.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Chair, Michigan Library Association Management & Administration Division, 1994-1995; Member, MLA Executive Board, 1994-1995; Trustee and Secretary, Michigan Library Consortium, 1990-1995; MLA Public Policy Committee, 1989-1991; President, Friends of Michigan Libraries, 1997-1999 and current Board member; Secretary, Detroit Suburban Roundtable, 1990-1991; President, Grosse Pointe Kiwanis, 1998-1999, and current international delegate.

HONORS AND AWARDS: John Cotton Dana Award (library), 1996. Distinguished Service Award, Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 1995.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: My background includes work in various types of libraries-academic, public, special, and school-and these experiences have given me insight into the structure of these organizations and their services. My involvement with libraries and with ALA has been an ongoing commitment to quality library services, and I have sustained this commitment through committee work and through my past teaching experiences as adjunct faculty in the Library and Information Science Program at Wayne State University. My key focus now is on Friends groups and how Friends can provide strong library support through advocacy and community involvement.

ALA Member Since: 1977.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My library work experiences in various types of libraries-academic, public, special and school-has given me insight into the challenges and issues facing these libraries. I believe that these experiences have made me committed to being a strong advocate for quality library services and how ALA can assist libraries in fulfilling their mission. I have a strong commitment to Friends groups and I would like to see an even stronger support for advocacy and community involvement in libraries.

—CHARLES HANSON

43. ELAINE HARGER, Librarian, Mount Si High School.

EDUCATION: Columbia University, M.L.S., 1988; University of Utah, B.A., 1982.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Councilor-at-large, ALA Council (1998 to 2005); coordinator, Social Responsibilities Round Table (2005-present); co-chair, International Responsibilities Task Force-SRRT (2002 to 2005); member, Committee on Education (2005-present); member, Committee on Organization (2001 to 2003); secretary, Social Responsibilities Round Table (1996-99); co-chair, ALA/AFL-CIO Joint Committee on Library Services to Labor Groups (1990-93); chair, Social Responsibility Round Table's Library Union Task Force (1991-93).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: School Leadership Team, PS/IS 176, New York NY-member (1999 to present); chair (2002/03); Snoqualmie Education Association-building rep. (2006-present); United Federation of Teachers, AFT, AFL-CIO-chapter chair (Nov. 2002 to 2004); United University Professions, AFT, AFL-CIO-shop steward & delegate (1993-1996).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I am co-founder of the Progressive Librarians Guild, and managing editor of Progressive Librarian (1989 to present). From 1996-2005 I was advisory board member for Alternative Press Center, Baltimore, and from 1997-2000 tutored for Newark (NJ) Literacy Campaign. While librarian at PS/IS 176 in New York City, I participated on the District 6 Dual Language Fellows Program action research team and was co-facilitator of the teams from 2001-2003, and edited three volumes of action research papers entitled Action Research in a Dual Language Setting. During 2003/04 school year I developed a book-making class for 8th grade boys, and continue this work with "Zines for All: introduction to zines and book arts" in my current position. In 2004, I was primary author of a Department of Education Improving Literacy Through School Libraries grant proposal, which won \$100,000 for 6 school libraries in upper Manhattan. I've authored nine book reviews for C&RL since 1997, and have written numerous articles for several library publications. Most recently, I organized a program for the Joint Conference of Librarians of Color.

ALA Member Since: 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My greatest concern is the erosion of the social, political and environmental fabric of our country. Threats to civil liberties coming from the highest realms of government, social structures that encourage violence, apathy and ignorance, and the willful neglect of our planet's health are causing tremendous stress throughout the world. I believe that libraries have a central role to play in helping our nation transition from one characterized by waste and mean-spiritedness to one that can truly foster community and networks of support for humanity's uncertain future. Libraries can inform individuals and provide forums for people to rethink how we live. Libraries can foster understanding between generations and across differences of all sorts in order to arrive at ideas and actions that support all human beings with equality and fairness. Calls for neutrality within our profession during times of crisis, such as we now face, are gravely and dangerously mistaken.

—ELAINE HARGER

44. AMY HARMON, Reference & Archives Librarian, Hudson Library & Historical Society.

EDUCATION: University of Pittsburgh, M.L.I.S., 2004; Carlow University, B.A., History, Minor: Information Systems Management, 2003; Case Western Reserve University, 1996-2001 Coursework completed towards B.A. in History, Political Science.

ALA ACTIVITIES: RUSA RSS Marketing & Public Relations Committee 2005-2007; RUSA RSS Reference Services in Public Libraries Discussion Group 2006-2008; NMRT Midwinter Social Committee 2006, 2008; NMRT Marketing Task Force 2007-2008; NMRT Student and Student Chapter Outreach Committee 2007-2008; NMRT Liaison to LAMA Membership Committee 2005-2006; ALA-APA Pay Equity Subcommittee Member 2007-2008.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have written for the NMRT newsletter, Footnotes. As a recent MLIS graduate, I have not had the opportunity to gain many accolades within the profession. However, I do not see this is a detriment to my candidacy. I am enthusiastic and passionate about the issues pertinent to libraries and would be honored to serve as a Councilor-at-Large.

ALA Member Since: 2004.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My attraction to the Councilor-at-Large office lies in the desire to represent the needs of those members that do not come to Council sessions. It is appalling the number of people that do not attend these sessions. The barriers appear to not only to be apathy but a disconnect as to how Council functions, how one can participate, etc. Many members are seemingly intimidated by Council. Another issue that goes hand-in-hand with this is the attrition of "NextGen" librarians and/or new graduates. It is important to engage these members and to create better communication within the organization. Other areas of concern include diversity within the profession, advocacy and intellectual freedom. While our political climate is changing, it is imperative to be vigilant and illustrate that libraries and library workers serve important needs within a community. It would be an honor to serve as an ALA Councilor-at-Large.

—AMY HARMON

45. ALLENE HAYES, Digital Projects Coordinator, Library of Congress.

EDUCATION: B.A. in English Literature, Clark College, completing senior year at Richmond College in London, England, 1980; Graduate Certificate in British Literature, University of Oxford, Oxford, England, 1981; M.L.S., University of Maryland, College Park, MD, 1986.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA ALCTS Electronic Resources Interest Group, Vice-Chair/Chair 2006-2007; BCALA International Relations Committee Co-Chair 2005-2006 and Board of Directors, 2006-2007, LITA Emerging Technologies Interest Group member.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: OCLC CORC Users Group 1999-2001, member; DCLC member 1992-1999; LC Daniel A.P. Murray African American Culture Association, President 1994-1996, Vice President 1992-1993, Publications Chair 1986-1991, current member; Library of Congress Professionals Association member, 1984-2006; Delta Sigma Theta member since 1986.

HONORS AND AWARDS: US Senior Congressional Fellowship Award 1985-1986; LC Intern Award 1991-1992; Certificate of Congressional Recognition 1994; LC Special Achievement and Cash Award 2001; LC Special Achievement and Cash Award 2002; LC On-The-Spot Cash Award 2003.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Allene Hayes is currently the Digital Projects Coordinator for the Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate at the Library of Congress. She is the former Team Leader of the Computer Files and Microforms Team, was selected as a participant in the LC Intern Program, and has held various positions at LC. Allene was also selected to serve as a Senior Congressional Fellow for the United States House of Representatives. She earned her B.A. in English Literature from Clark College completing her senior year at Richmond College in London, England. She completed a graduate program in British Literature at the University of Oxford and earned her M.L.S. from the University of Maryland. Allene's published works include: "If You Favor Freedom: a briefing booklet on DC Statehood," published by the DC Statehood Commission and "Use of OCLC's CORC at the Library of Congress," *Serials Review* v. 27, no. 2, 2001, also translated and published in Vietnamese. "Report on the ALCTS ERIG Meeting, ALA Midwinter, 2006," *Technical Services Quarterly*, v. 24, no. 2, 2006.

ALA Member Since: 1994.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I have a deep interest in the direction of ALA and the library community on digital issues. I have worked with various vendors and institutions on projects and programs for new and emerging technologies including training librarians on issues concerning the digital life cycle. I have pro-actively shared my knowledge through participation in professional organizations, including ALA. I currently serve as chair of the ALCTS Electronic Resources Interest Group. As a minority, I am very interested in working on diversity issues in librarianship. I worked as co-coordinator and co-presenter at the first ALA Joint Conference for Librarians of Color, served on the Diversity Council at LC and currently serve on the Executive Board of the Black Caucus of ALA. I view being elected to Council as a way of deepening my participation in the profession, and as a way to serve ALA in a broader capacity. —ALLENE HAYES

46. JOHN W. HENKLE, JR., Collection Development Librarian, Orange County Library System.

EDUCATION: Florida Technological University, B.A., 1974; University of South Florida, M.L.S., 1978.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have worked in a public library since 1968 in positions ranging from shelver to manager. I am currently a Collection Development Librarian. I have attended many Annual Conferences over the years, but have not been active because of family and other responsibilities. I am now at a point where I can make commitments to my co-workers, community, and profession and have begun to do so. I am SEIU Local 8 chapter chair for the organized librarians at OCLS and serve as their spokesperson. This position has also involved political networking and helping elect candidates supportive of working families. Since

2002, I have served on the Orange County, FL Membership and Mission Review Board which helps locate members for other county advisory boards. I would now like to make a contribution in my chosen profession by serving on Council. I am prepared to make the commitment to attend both Annual and Midwinter Conferences and serve as a voice for library workers.

ALA Member Since: 1977.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The increased availability of online resources has been beneficial to libraries and their users. But they're often used as a justification to reduce staffing levels. Library workers serve as a bridge between the library and it's users to make libraries successful and useful. ALA tends to focus on issues which benefit libraries and less on those impacting library workers. As SEIU chapter chair for OCLS librarians, I have worked to strengthen the roles and benefits for all employees and would bring that activism to Council. One matter I believe needs addressing is dues. The current dues structure recognizes that differences exist in the income levels of various groups. The regular member category should reflect that members in it also have a wide range of salaries. Membership dues should be on a sliding scale to encourage more to join ALA. I would push for this if elected to Council. —JOHN W. HENKLE, JR.

47. JANET SWAN HILL, Associate Director for Technical Services (appointed 1989) University of Colorado Libraries.

EDUCATION: BA Vassar College, magna cum laude (Geology), 1967. MA, University of Denver Graduate School of Library and Information Science, 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Executive Board, 04-07; EB Finance & Audit Ctte, 04-07; Strategic Plan TF; Honorary Members TF; ALA Council, Councilor at Large 89-93, 95-99, 99-03, 03-06; ALA Rep to LC Working Group on the Future of Bibliographic Control, 06-07; Conference Ctte, 05-07; Policy Monitoring, 06-07; Conf Ctte 2001 Coordinating Team, 99-01 (ALCTS Rep.); Resolutions Ctte 92-94, Committee on Organization 02-04 (Chair 03-04); Membership Meetings Ctte, 03-04; Dewey Award Jury, 95-97, 02-03 (Chair, 97). President's TF on Membership Meeting Quorum, 01-03; President's TF on Core Values for the Profession, 99-00; President's TF on Outsourcing, 97-99; Congress on Professional Education, 99 (Delegate); Amer. Libs Editorial Advisory Ctte, 87-90 (Chair, 89-90); Committee on Accreditation, Site Visitor's Pool, 89-04; ACRL/ALCTS/LAMA/LITA Atkinson Memorial Award Ctte, 99-03 (Chair, 02-03); ALCTS: President, 97-98; Pres.-Elect, 96-97; Past Pres. 98-99; (Pres incl. ex official membership on 4 cttes incl. chair of 2); Srch Ctte for ALCTS Newsletter, 99; Catalog Form and Function Ctte, 86-88 (chair, 87-88); OLPR Recruitment Pre-Conf (delegate), 88; Best of LRTS Award Ctte, 86-87; LRTS 25th Anniversary Issue Jury, 85; Planning Ctte for Authorities Workshops, 81-83; Cataloging and Classification Section: Secretary, 83-86; Ctte on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA), 80-84 (Secretary, 80-83), Ex officio 89-95 as Joint Steering Ctte Rep, MAGERT Liaison, 84-85; Nine CC:DA task forces, chair of 4); Margaret Mann Citation Ctte, 87-89 (Chair, 88-89); TF on Education and

Recruitment for Cataloging (Chair) 85-88; Ctte on Education, Recruitment and Training for Cataloging, 1988-89; Planning Ctte for Classification Institutes, 84-88; Map Cataloging DG (Founder and Chair), 85-86; Maps and Geography Round table (MAGERT): Nominating Ctte, 1980-81; Liaison to CC:DA, 84-85; Cataloging and Classification ALCTS (RTSD), 85-87; ALA Rep to Joint Steering Ctte for the Revision of AACR, 89-95.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: ALA/APA: Executive Board, 04-07; Finance and Audit Ctte, 04-07; Advocacy Committee TF, 06; ALA/APA Council, Councilor at Large, 04-06; Ctte on Organization, 02-04 (Chair, 03-04); Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries (CARL): Steering Ctte, 92-94; Users Group Representative, 89-92; TF on Ctte Membership, 92; TF on Committee Structure and Organization, 92; Bibliographic Issues Ctte (Chair) 89-92; Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), Technical Services Education Special Interest Group. Co-founder. University of Denver Graduate School of Librarianship and Information Management National Alumni Association: Various Secretary, Vice President, and President, 1980-85.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Best of Cataloging & Classification Quarterly, 02; Margaret Mann Citation for outstanding professional achievement in cataloging and classification, 93; Boulder Faculty Assembly Excellence in Service Award, 92; Ralph E. Ellsworth Award for Excellence in Librarianship, 1991 (University of Colorado Libraries); *Who's Who in Library and Information Services*; Library of Congress Meritorious Service Award, 75; Library of Congress Intern, 70; Beta Phi Mu, 70

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Selected Books: Education for Cataloging and the Organization of Information: Pitfalls and the Pendulum, 2003; Cataloging: The Professional Development Cycle. Editor, with Sheila Intner, 1991; Classification of Library Materials: Current and Future Potential for Providing Access. Editor, with Betty Bengtson, 1990. Recruiting, Educating, and Training Cataloging Librarians: Solving the Problems, editor, with Sheila Intner, 1989. Selected Recent Articles: "Technical Services and Tenure: Impediments and Strategies" *CCQ*, 2007; "Was That a Blue Banana? Identifying a Research Topic in Technical Services." *Technicalities*, 05; "Cataloging Boot Camp: The Training Issue for Catalogers." *ACRL Conference Proceedings*, 2005). "Analog People for Digital Dreams: Staffing and Educational Considerations for Cataloging and Metadata Professionals." *LRTS*, 2005. "Constant Vigilance. Babelish and Foot Surgery: Perspectives on Faculty Status and Tenure for Academic Librarians." *Portal*, 2005; "Transcending Widgets: The Nature of Technical Services." *LCATS*, 2003. "Outsourcing: Understanding the Fuss" *Bowker Annual* 2001. "Preparing for a Cataloging Career: From Cataloging to Knowledge Management" with Sheila Intner. Commissioned for American Library Association (ALA) Congress on Professional Education, 1999) Numerous other publications, numerous presentations. See <http://spot.colorado.edu/~hilljs/Vita4CU.pdf>. for complete listing.

ALA Member Since: 1978.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Having served ALA in numerous capacities, I have come to realize that I can make the greatest contribution on Council. As the policy-making body for ALA, it is critical that Council be peopled with individuals with a broad perspective and a passion for the profession and what it brings to society; that it have Councilors who have a broad view of the Association, who understand Council's potential as well as its pitfalls; who enjoy the messy process of democracy; and who understand how to get things done within that framework. I bring these qualities to Council, plus an ability to work with others to achieve common goals, and to offer a reasonable and calm voice even on divisive issues. Further, as we move deeper into the digital age, my background in bibliographic control becomes increasingly important to issues that will inevitably come before Council.

—JANET SWAN HILL

48. SUSAN HILL, Director, Paulding County Carnegie Library.

EDUCATION: University of Alabama in Huntsville, B.A., 1990; Clarion University (PA), M.L.S., 1992.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 1998 Equality Award Committee member; 2005 Rural Library Services Committee member (Public Library Association).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: 1980s Moderator Paraprofessional Roundtable—Alabama Library Association; 2005-2006 Small Libraries Conference Planning Committee—Ohio Library Council; Past Member of the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) Training Advisory Committee and past trainer for OPLIN.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 1990 Outstanding Youth Services Librarian Award—Alabama Library Association; 1992 Finnish Consulate Grant Recipient to research youth library service in Finland and present storytelling workshop to students at Tampere University; 1993 Graduate of the inaugural Ohio Library Leadership 2000; 2002 Certification for Ohio Public Librarian; 2004 Elected to council—Village of Paulding, Ohio; 2005-2006 President—Kiwans of Paulding County.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Hill began her library career in 1984 as bookmobile librarian for the Huntsville-Madison County (AL) Public Library where she developed innovative programs to reach underserved youth in urban housing projects and targeting isolated patrons in rural pockets of the county. In 1991 Hill assumed the duties of editor for the Rural Library Services Newsletter, a publication currently distributed nationally and in Canada. In the mid 90s, as a regional library consultant in Northwest Ohio, Susan was instrumental in securing funding for rural libraries to automate to a statewide consortium. In 1997 she was appointed director for the Paulding County (OH) Carnegie Library. She continues to be a popular statewide and national speaker. She has presented to audiences at past Public Library Association conferences on a variety of topics, the most recent being in 2006-Right of Center and Still Balanced. If elected to ALA Council, Hill will bring a passion for rural librarianship with conservative view to what is many times seen as a liberal profession.

ALA Member Since: 1992.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Almost 80% of libraries serve a population of 25,000 or less, yet the voice of staff working in rural and small libraries has many times gone unheard. Challenged by lack of funding to attend professional national conferences and the overall feeling of isolation, staff at these libraries often feels left out of the profession's dialog. Organizations such as the Association for Rural and Small Libraries are working hard to identify challenges and solutions, but there still is a need for a voice at the national level. As a conservative Christian librarian I have found that my association often supports liberal ideals with no consideration for the conservative membership. One voice representing rural and small libraries with conservative Christian ideals might not seem like enough, but I believe one voice can be heard. If you believe there is room at the table for a new voice, I would appreciate your support.

—SUSAN HILL

49. NANN BLAINE HILYARD, Director, Zion-Benton Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of Missouri: A.B. in Library Science, 1973; A.M. in Library Science, 1974.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA: Maine Chp. Councilor, 1987-1990; Councilor-at-Large, 1998-2003; Exec. Bd., 2003-2007. Committees: Chp. Relations, 1991-1994, Resolutions, 2001-2003, COO, 2001. PLA: Sm. & Med. Lib. Sec., Pres., 1997-1998; Lib. Dev. Cluster, 1999-2002 and Chm. 2001-2002. Leg. Comm. 1993-1995, IFC 1999-2001, U.Press Bks. for Pub. Libs., 1990-1994, Public Libraries Advisory Comm., 2003-2005.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Maine LA: Treas. 1985-1987, V.P./P.-elect, 1988-1990, Pres., 1990-1992. Maine Lib. Comm.: 1984-1994, Chm., 1991-1993. North Dakota: Pub. Lib. Sec., Pres., 1996-1997. Illinois: PL Forum, Chair, 1999-2000. White House Conf. on Lib. & Info. Science Taskforce: Transition Team, 1991-1992; Vice Chm., 1992-1996; Newsletter Ed., 1996-2000.

HONORS AND AWARDS: White House Conf. Taskforce Achievement Award, 1996.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Audiobook Reviewer since 1993; Audio File Editorial Board, 1991-1993; Perspectives Column Co-Ed., Public Libraries, 1998-present; Cofounder and Coconvenor, Ad Hoc Quilters Taskforce of ALA, 1998-present; Am. Assn. of University Women: Local branch president (ME, ND, & IL); ND State Pres., 1996-98; Assn. Public Policy Comm. 1997-2001; IL Public Policy, Director, 2000-02. P.E.O. Sisterhood, 1985-present (various local offices); Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity, 1970-present; Rotary International, 1992-94 and 2003-present; IL Beach Sunrise Club, President, 2007-08.

ALA Member Since: 1982.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As the recognized voice for both the profession of librarianship and the institution of libraries, ALA identifies and responds to issues that affect libraries and the people who work in and with them. "ALA Ahead to 2010" and the dues increase have given us the framework and the funding to be proactive in the many areas that concern our members and our workplaces. As a public library administrator I see daily how libraries make a difference in people's lives. Public libraries face competition from business-

es and from other agencies who demand taxpayer dollars. They deal with restrictions on access and patron demands for more services. They deal with a shrinking applicant pool for professional and nonprofessional positions. ALA must continue to speak for us about all of these concerns. These are exciting times for librarianship. I look forward to working within ALA to address these opportunities.

—NANN BLAINE HILYARD

50. MARILYN L. HINSHAW, Exec. Dir., Eastern Oklahoma District Library, 1982-current
EDUCATION: Emporia State University, BSE, MLS 1970; University of Missouri, Master's, Public Administration, 1983; University of Oklahoma, special study in Public Policy and Mass Communication, 1990; University of Wisconsin, completed proposed sabbatical study with post graduate hours in library and information studies, business and higher education, 1995.

ALA ACTIVITIES: President, JMRT, 1976-77; ALA Councilor 1978-82 and 2003-2006; Chair of ALA Awards Committee; President of Small and Medium Sized Section of PLA; President of Metropolitan Library Section of PLA; ALTA Board member; current member of ALA's Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President of Oklahoma Library Association, President of Mountain Plains Library Association; President of Public Library Section of Texas Library Association; Legislative Chair, Oklahoma Library Assoc.; Leadership Institute chair, Mountain Plains Library Association; President, Oklahoma Public Library Directors Council.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Pi Alpha Alpha Public Affairs and Admin. honorary, Beta Phi Mu, Outstanding New Librarian of Texas; Distinguished Service Award, Mountain Plains Library Association; selected to 100 years Library Legend list for Oklahoma Library Association's 100th anniversary year.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Asst. Dir, Daniel Boone Regional Library, Columbia, Mo, 1977-1982; Administrator, Texas Trans-Pecos Library System, Branch Coordinator, El Paso Public Library 1973-1977; Public Library Consultant, State Library of Kansas, 1970-1973.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

In the past few years, my ALA work has been in the tedious and intriguing subject of finances. That knowledge forever changed my focus from a year's membership benefits to our mission as an organization and in society. ALA wants members to be capable shapers of the future in the field of information policy. Membership dues are no longer enough to sustain that effort. Let us be as bold with our personal commitment as were the founders of this body. In the cutting edge of this century, let us pay tribute to the fact that we have encompassed the ideals of open access, privacy, intellectual freedom and social equality at greater depth than the founders imagined, and then individually put our money where our mouth is through long term contribution strategies that can help make the difference in sustaining this organization and our ideals in American society. —MARILYN L. HINSHAW

51. VERLIA DAVIS HOGGARD, Chair, Las Vegas Clark County Library Board of Trustees.

EDUCATION: University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff, B.S.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALTA.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Pres. Nevada State Library Advisory Bd.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 2005 Nevada trustee of the year, Nevada social worker of the year, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award Pioneers Award for Govt. and Comm. Service and many many more.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: As Director of the Clark Co., Nevada Dept of Social Service (aka Welfare Dept.), we created and developed many programs to assist persons with AIDS/HIV, including opening a daycare center for children as well as a residential facilities for adults. I also developed a community mediation program as well as peer mediation program to help curb violence and conflict in the public schools. As a member of Alpha kappa Alpha sorority, participated in a reading program in schools with low achieving children. As chair of the local community action agency, oversaw the development of a foster grandparent program, a residential facility for drug and alcoholic abusers who were referred by the courts. Served in an advisory capacity to the headstart parent policy council.

ALA Member Since: 2003.

—VERLIA DAVIS HOGGARD

52. JESSICA HUTCHINGS, Head of Reference, McNeese State University.

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Arts, English Education, University of Oklahoma, 2001; Master of Library and Information Studies, University of Oklahoma, 2004.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Member of the American Library Association, 2004-present; Member of the New Members Round Table (NMRT), 2004-present; Served on the 3M/NMRT award committee, 2005-06; Chair of the 3M/NMRT award committee, 2006-2007; Served on the NMRT nominating committee, 2005-2006; Served on the NMRT local arrangements committee, 2005-2006; Attended ALA National Meetings, 2004-2006; Attended ALA Midwinter Meeting, 2006. ACRL Member: Instruction Section, 2003-present; College Libraries Section, 2003-present. Member of Oklahoma Library Association, 2003-2004: Presented paper "Filling the Global Digital Divide" at 2004 OLA annual meeting. Member of the Louisiana Library Association, 2005-present. Member of the Louisiana chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Member of Beta Phi Mu, the library and information sciences honor society. Awarded the 2004 ALA Student-to-Staff scholarship to attend the national meeting.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Following library school, I began work at McNeese State University in 2005. I immediately became active in state and national library organizations, as well as campus organizations and committees such as the faculty senate and the academic integrity committee. Seven months after my first day on the job, Hurricane Rita struck my town, and the university was badly damaged. I was unable to work in my library for four months, and several librarians did not return after evacuating. In the meantime, my coworkers and I developed methods for providing services to students without a building from which to work, and I was promoted to head of reference. Since our library

reopened, I have improved our department by establishing a new online department handbook, formalizing the training for graduate assistants, and working with other librarians to implement a library-wide online calendar. I revamped our library instruction procedures and assessment instruments using the ACRL information literacy standards. As I work to improve situations within my own institution, I look forward to further professional involvement in ALA.

ALA Member Since: 2004.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My professional concerns involve librarianship in higher education. I am a recent MLIS graduate now working as a supervisor; this gives me a unique perspective regarding the needs of educating future academic librarians. Academic librarians need more training in the structure and functions of the academy. They should understand the purpose and importance of accreditation organizations, and how these organizations' standards must shape the way we provide our services. Librarians working in educational institutions will benefit from knowledge of educational theories, curriculum development, and instructional design and delivery. Efforts to promote information literacy would be greatly enhanced if we better understood the nature of the academy and the roles played by administrators, faculty, and other departments. How do these groups view the library? What are their needs? If we want to demonstrate to academia that libraries remain central to academic effort, then new librarians need education about academia itself.

—JESSICA HUTCHINGS

53. KAREN JESSEE, Senior Librarian, Jacksonville Public Library.

EDUCATION: AMD Advanced Masters Degree in Library Science, 1989 ("Library Leadership/Management/Networks") FSU; MLS Master of Science in Library Science 1985 ("Academic Library/Management/Reference") FSU. BA Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology 1983 School of Arts and Sciences, University of Florida.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Committee on Professional Ethics, Member 1988-1990; 1990-1992 RASD Board; 1990-1992 Chair, RASD Council of State & Regional Reference Groups; 1985-1990 ACRL; 1986-1990 ACRL, BI Committee; 1986-1989 ACRL Library Science Librarians, Vice-Chair; 1989 ACRL, Library Science Librarians Newsletter, Editor; 1987-1988 JMRT 3M Grant committee; 1990-1991 NMRT, Students to ALA Committee; 1990- PLA; 2004- LAMA; 2005-ERT; 2005- IRRT; 2006- ALA-APA Certification Program Committee Member.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Beta Phi Mu, Member; Beta Phi Mu, Gamma Chapter, President 1987; Florida State University, SLIS Alumni Association, President 1988; SOLTAS, President 1985; Florida Blue Key, (Leadership) 1983-; Order of Athena, (Wisdom) 1983-; St. Andrews Society (Scotland); CPLA pioneer (first class).

ALA Member Since: 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I would like to increase the salaries of all whose daily work sustains and supports library services. I would like to strengthen global, national and local library initiatives within public and business communities, through cultural and informational programs, and the grass roots synergy of all library friends and partners.

—KAREN JESSEE

54. ERIC JOHNSON, Library Director, Southeastern Louisiana University.

EDUCATION: Southern Connecticut State University, B.S., Education, 1971; M.L.S., 1975; M.A., English, 1977.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA: Beta Phi Mu Award Jury, Chair, 2003-2006, Member, 2002-2003, 2006-2007. GLBTRT, Member, 2006-. Highsmith Library Literature Award Jury, Member, 2001-2002, Chair, 2000-2001. ACRL: 1999 National Conference Planning Committee for Panel Presentations, Member, 1997-1999. LAMA: Fund Raising & Financial Development Section: Trends Marketing & Product Development Committee, Member, 1997-2000, Interim Chair, 1999. 1998 President's Program Committee, Member, 1997-98. 2000 President's Program Committee, Chair, 1999-2000.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: ACRL, Louisiana Chapter: Vice-President, 1998-1999, President, 1999-2000. Annual Meeting Committee, Chair, 1998-1999. Nominating Committee, Chair, 1999. LAL-INC (Louisiana Academic Library Information Network Consortium): Vice-President/President, 2006-; Executive Committee, Secretary, 2004-2006; Research & Development Committee, Member, 2001-2004. Connecticut Library Association: Second Vice President, 1995-1996. Liaison to Advisory Council for Library Planning and Development, 1993-1996. Co-chair, Annual Conference, 1992-1993. CLA Think Tank, Member, 1991. Reference & Adult Services Section Committee, Member, 1989-1991. College & University Section Committee, Member, 1980-1981, 1986-1989. Council of Connecticut Academic Library Directors, Secretary, 1993-1995. Friends of the North Haven (CT) Library: Vice President/Secretary, 1994-1996; Executive Committee, Member, 1991-1996.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2004-. Dana Planning Award, University of Bridgeport, 1988.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Upgrade Tangipahoa, Inc., Hammond, LA, adult literacy non-profit organization, Executive Board, Member, 1998-; reading tutor, 1998-2002. Co-author of Tapping State Government Information Sources, Greenwood, 2003.

ALA Member Since: 1996.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

More than halfway through the first decade of the new millennium, libraries are facing some of the same problems they were at the close of the last century—decreasing budgets paired with demands for more information and the latest technology; new ways to provide information to a public becoming more accustomed to finding it themselves online; censorship issues as libraries grapple with community standards; and trying to balance traditional roles with new services such as blogs, text messaging, and profiles in MySpace and Facebook to attract patrons back from bookseller superstores and coffee shops. Add copyright issues, the "library as place," and discussions on the future of libraries and the profession itself, and the obvious conclusion is that libraries are at a crucial crossroad. I would be delighted and honored to explore these and the host of other issues affecting all of us as an ALA Councilor-at-large.

—ERIC JOHNSON

55. G. VICTOR JOHNSON, Trustee; Vice President/Secretary, Arlington Heights Memorial Library.

EDUCATION: Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago, M.B.A. (Accounting), 1964; Brown University, A.B. (Chemistry), 1963.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Conference Committee, member (2001-2005). ALTA Association of Library Trustees and Advocates: President (2000-2001); Vice President (1998-2000); Conference Program and Evaluation Committee (1989-1998, Co-chair 1993-1996, Chair 1996-1998); Action Development Committee (1998-2006, Chair 2001-2002); Advocacy Committee (2002-present); Awards Committee (2001-2003); Nominating Committee (2004-present); Board member (2005-present).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Urban Libraries Council-Board member (1993-1999); Illinois Library Association-"Trustee Forum" Board member (2000-present); North Suburban Library System, Director/Board member (1983-1989, 1991-1995, and 1999-2005), President (1988-1989, 1992-1994), Vice President (1986-1988), Treasurer (1985-1986, 1994-1995, and 2001-2003); Illinois General Assembly's Task Force on Library Finance (member) which led to 1996 "Educate and Automate" funding initiative.

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants: Stockbrokerage and Investment Banking Expert Panel (member, 2004-present); Stockbrokerage and Investment Banking Committee (member, 1989-1992); Stockbrokerage and Investment Banking Committee/Sub-Committee to rewrite "AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, Brokers and Dealers in Securities", member (1989-1996); Stockbrokerage and Investment Banking Committee/Sub-Committee to write AICPA Practice Aid, "Audits of Futures Commission Merchants, Introducing Brokers, and Commodity Pools", Chair (1993-1998); Task Force to rewrite AICPA Practice Aid, "Audits of Futures Commission; Merchants, Introducing Brokers, and Commodity Pools", Chair (2005-present); Commodity Futures Trading Subcommittee, member (1984-1988). Illinois CPA Society: "Change Agent" on Steering Committees for Investment Services and Consulting Services (1997-1999); Coordination and Planning Committee, member (1991-1997); ABC Financial Forum, member and chair (1985-1991); Broker/Dealer Specialized Industry Committee (member and chair-about 7 years).

HONORS AND AWARDS: Robert R. McClarren Legislative Development Award (2000).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: A practicing certified public accountant who is passionate about getting the work of the library or library organization done, and done right. Chair (twice) and member (once) of team(s) that hired 3 directors (Sarah Ann Long (NSLS), Kathy Balcom (AHML) and Lynn Stainbrook (AHML)). From Board perspective, oversaw major building addition and several remodeling projects. Was the force behind a quantum improvement in the quality of ALTA programming for annual conference, with "Cognotes" praising my President's Program both in the daily edition and the final summary edition. A speaker at several Securities Industry Association and similar conferences, as well as some library conferences.

ALA Member Since: 1982.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I want to apply my business and accounting/financial experience to help ALA assist libraries to be relevant and responsive to the communities they serve. When a library is relevant and responsive, it has the respect and support of its community, as does the Board and staff of the library; in Arlington Heights, we enjoy and appreciate that respect and support. The focus of ALA, and thus Council, should be the provision of ideas, guides, best practices, and a unified voice communicating to the community at large, including legislative bodies. While discussions of Council need to be anchored in the principles librarians hold dear, too often the focus gets diverted. —G. VICTOR JOHNSON

56. PLUMMER ALSTON "AL" JONES, JR., Professor, Library Science & Instructional Technology, College of Education, East Carolina University.

EDUCATION: Ph.D., Information and Library Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1991; Certificate, Educational Leadership Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, NC, 1989; M.S., Library Science, Drexel University, 1977; B.Mus., Music Education, East Carolina University, 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Association of School Librarians, 2001-present. American Library Association (ALA), 1976 present, Chapter Relations Committee, Chapter Officers, 1997-2001 (as NCLA Vice-President and President), Editors' Interests Subcommittee, 2002-2004; ALA Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table, 2001-present; Member at Large on Executive Board, 2004-2005; Chair, 2005-2007; ALA Library History Round Table, 1984 present, Member at Large (Executive Board) 1999-2001, Secretary/Treasurer (Executive Board) 2002-2004; Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), 1976 present.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), 2001-present. North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS) Executive Board, 1999-2002, At Large Director, 1999-2002, NCGS Newsletter Editor, 2000-2002. North Carolina Library Association (NCLA), 1982/1983 present; College and University Section Executive Board, 1989-1995, Vice Chair, 1991-1993, Chair, 1993-1995; Biennial Conference Planning Committee, Program Chair, 1992-1993; Vice President, President Elect, 1997-1999; President, 1999-2001; Past President, 2001-2003; Nominating Committee Chair, 2003-2005; Endowment Committee, 2001-2004. North Carolina Libraries, Editor of Online Version, 2002-2004; Editorial Board, 1990-2004; Editor, "Lagniappe: North Caroliniana" column, Coordinator of Bibliography, 1992-2002, "From the President" column, 2000-2001, "From the Editor" column, 2002-2004. State Library Commission of North Carolina, 1997-2002.

HONORS AND AWARDS: North Carolina Library Association, Special Presidential Recognition Award, for years of service on editorial board and as editor of North Carolina Libraries, given by NCLA President Pauletta Bracy, 2005. North Carolina Library Association, Recognition of Service as NCLA President, 1999-2001, given by NCLA President Pauletta Bracy at the NCLA Centennial Celebration, 2004. David Cohen/EMIERT Multicultural Award from the Ethnic and

Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table of the American Library Association, 2004. Order of the Long Leaf Pine, given by Governor Michael F. Easley for service on the State Library Commission (1997-2002), 2002. Certificate in recognition of outstanding service to and support of East Carolina University adult students, given by Office of Student Life, 17 April 2002. Outstanding Contribution to Family History Award, given by the North Carolina Genealogical Society, for The Jones Family of Blounts Creek, Beaufort County, and Allied Families, 1998. (First) Phyllis Dain Library History Dissertation Award, given by the American Library Association Library History Round Table, for "American Public Library Service to the Immigrant Community, 1876-1948," 1993. See "1993 ALA Awards Winners [Dr. Plummer Alston Jones, Jr. awarded the Phyllis Dain Library History Dissertation Award]." American Libraries 24 (September 1993): 781. Beta Phi Mu, Drexel University, 1977. Phi Kappa Phi, East Carolina University, 1970. Pi Kappa Lambda, East Carolina University, 1970.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Al Jones is professor of library science and chair of the Department of Library Science and Instructional Technology in the College of Education at East Carolina University. He received the first biennial Phyllis Dain Library History Dissertation Award in 1993 from the ALA Library History Round Table for his dissertation, "American Public Library Services to the Immigrant Community, 1876-1948." His book, Libraries, Immigrants, and the American Experience, was published in 1999 by Greenwood Press. For his service as North Carolina Library Association President (1999-2001) and on the State Library Commission (1997-2001), he was made a member of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine by N.C. Governor Michael F. Easley in 2002. He is the chair of the ALA Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table for 2005-2007. He was presented the 2004 David Cohen/EMIERT Multicultural Award for his research and publications on multiculturalism in libraries. His book, Still Struggling for Equality: American Public Library Services with Minorities, was published in 2004 by Libraries Unlimited.

ALA Member Since: 1976.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a professor of library science with a research interest and publications in public library services with minorities, especially immigrants, migrants, African Americans, and American Indians, and as current chair of the ALA Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table, I support all legislation affecting the quality of life and human rights of minorities in the United States. My professional mission is to set an example of caring about minority needs and rights while impressing upon my students and colleagues the absolute necessity of providing free library services and unencumbered access to information, which only happens when librarians and the general public are educated and enlightened. As a Council member, I will be a staunch advocate for minorities and minority rights.

—PLUMMER ALSTON "AL" JONES, JR.

57. SUE KAMM, Head, Audio-Visual/Stack Maintenance Division, Inglewood Public Library. **EDUCATION:** Bachelor of Arts, Political Science,

University of California, Berkeley, 1961; Master of Library Science, School of Library Service, University of California, Los Angeles, 1967.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Councilor-at-Large, 1997-date. Intellectual Freedom Committee: Member, 1979-1981. Member and chairman, Subcommittee to Revise the Library Bill of Rights; chairman, Subcommittees on Policy on Confidentiality of Library Records and Policy on Racism, Sexism, and Other Issues Revisions. Resolutions Committee: Member, 2002-2006. Council Orientation Committee: Member, 2006-present. Library Administrative and Management Division, Public Relations Section-Member, Publications Committee, 1996-1997. Public Library Association: Member, Audiovisual Committee, 2004-2006; member, Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2002-present. Reference and User Services Division: AFL-CIO/ALA (RUSA), Joint Committee on Library Service to Labor Groups, member 1983-1987; chairman, 1986-1987. Member, John Sessions Award Committee, 1987-1988. Member, Adult Library Materials Committee, 1988-1990. Reference Books Bulletin: Member, Editorial Board, 1992-1996. Intellectual Freedom Round Table Chairman, 1982-1983. Director, 1986-1988; 1991-1993. Secretary, 1994-1996. Chairman, Bylaws and Organization Committee, 1989-1993. Chairman, Nominating Committee, 1979-1980, 1983-1984; member, 1977-1978, 1988-1989. Chairman, Eli M. Oboler Award Committee, 1988-1990. Chairman, Publications Committee, 1993-1995. Editor, IFRT Report, 1993-1996.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Special Libraries Association, Southern California Chapter Chairman, Bylaws Committee, 1991-1993, 1994-1995. Chairman, Hospitality Committee, 1992-1993. Member, Program Committee, 1993-1994.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Chosen "Truest of the Blue," Los Angeles Dodgers Think Blue Week 2000.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Publications "Grow Up," Library Journal, November 1, 1999 (Part of "How Do You Manage?" series). "Outsource Discourse" (debate with Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences Professor Sheila Intner), American Libraries, October 1997. "To Join or Not to Join: How Librarians Make Membership Decisions About Their Associations," Library Trends, Fall 1997. "Sports Sources: A Selected List," Booklist, September 1, 1997. "A Rose Is Not Necessarily a Rose: Issues in Public Library Security," Library and Archival Security, 1995. "The ABCs of LA," American Libraries, January 1994. "Latchkey Adults," Library Journal, July 1994 (Part of "How Do You Manage?" series). "Defusing Censorship," Catholic Library World, January-February 1988. "Holocaust Hoax" Publisher Barred from Annual Convention of California LA After Controversy Spreads Through State; Association Reexamines Its Policies On Exhibits And Programs, "American Libraries, January 1985. "Expert Witness," Library Journal, 1985 (part of "How Do You Manage?" series). "Pressure Groups and Censorship: An Annotated Bibliography," Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom, September 1981. Frequent poster to LIBREF-L, PUBLIB, and Project Wombat (formerly Stumpers).

ALA Member Since: 1971.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The issues ALA faces in the next decade

include: • Money-Funding for library services (especially salaries and benefits) has declined or remained flat. • Access to ALA-Members who want to be involved are deterred by the costs of attending Midwinter Meetings and Annual Conferences. Breaking that barrier is vital if there is to be an ALA in the next ten years. • Intellectual freedom-Continued vigilance against those on the gamut of political and social opinion who seek to foist their beliefs on society. • Cost of library services-provide tools for libraries to inform stakeholders about the value of our services. This includes salaries for all library workers and materials and resources. When the library adopts a new technology, the cost to maintain that equipment must be factored into the decision. —SUE KAMM

58. CAROL RITZEN KEM, Bibliographer/Associate University Librarian, University of Florida.

EDUCATION: University of Florida, Ph.D., Education (Leadership/Administration; Higher Education Concentration), 1994; University of North Carolina, M.S.L.S.; University of Illinois, M.A., History; Drury University, B.A., History, English and Education minors.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA committees: Education Committee, Member, 2004-2006; Budget Analysis and Review Committee, Member, 2000-2004; Constitution Committee, Member, 1999-2001. ALA division: ACRL 2007 National Conference Program Committee (Scholarships); ACRL 2005 National Conference Planning Committee (Panels)2003-2005; ACRL Task Force on the Association of the Future, 2002-2004; ACRL Bylaws Committee, 1996-2000, Chair, 1999-2000. ACRL African-American Studies Section: New Orleans ALA 2006 Program Committee, member; Chicago ALA 2005 Program Committee, chair, 2004-2005; Moderator of section Listserv, 1992-present; Member, Nominating Committee 1998-1999; Secretary, 1997-1998. ACRL Anthropology/Sociology Section: Member, Electronic Resources for Sociologists Ad Hoc Committee, 1993-1995. ACRL Women's Studies Section: Member, Collection Management and Bibliography Committee, 1993-1995. ALA Round Tables: International Relations Round Table: Sister Cities Committee, member, 2006-2008. Exhibits Round Table: Vice-chair/Librarians, 2000-2001; Director, Executive Board, 1998-2001; Member, Bylaws Committee, 1998-2001; Member, Chris Hoy Scholarship Event Committee, 1996-1997; Member, Silent Auction (endowment fund) Planning Committee, 1995-1996. New Members Round Table: Chair, Pre-Conference Committee, ALA Annual, 2000; Chair, 25th Anniversary 3M Professional Development Award Event, 1999; Treasurer, 1996-1998; Chair, Exhibitor Contact and Relations Committee, 1994-1996; Chair, 3M Social and Endowment Fundraiser, 1993 and 1994; Chair, Students to ALA Committee, 1992-1993; Member, Governance Committee, 1992-1993. Representative to other groups: BARC liaison to AALS, YALSA, IRRRT, LHR and MAGERT. BARC liaison to Round Table Coordinating Assembly. NMRT liaison to ERT Executive Board, 1994-96. ERT liaison to NMRT Executive Board, 1998-2001.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Southeastern Library Association: Long-range Planning Committee,

member, 2005-2007; Southern Book Awards Committee, member, 2000-2002; 2002-2004; Long-range Planning Committee, member, 1989-1991. Florida Library Association: Collective Bargaining Caucus, Chair, 1989-1992; Research Caucus, Chair, 1988-1989; Publications Committee, member, 1986-1990.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Academic Honor Societies: Phi Kappa Phi, 1994; Beta Phi Mu, 1971; Phi Alpha Theta, 1963; Pi Gamma Mu, 1963; Mortar Board, 1962. Other Honors: University of Florida Association for Academic Women "2004 Woman of Distinction". 3M/New Member's Round Table Professional Development Award, 1997. State of Florida Zeta Tau Alpha "Zeta Lady" for outstanding service to sorority, community and profession, 1989. Bachelor's degree Magna Cum Laude with Departmental Distinction in History and Education.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Publications: Carol Ritzen Kem, 2004. "Mentoring: A Primer." The Librarian's Career Handbook. P. Shontz, ed. Scarecrow Press, pp. 463-72. Carol Ritzen Kem, 2000. "The Relationship Between Work Behavior Type and Elements of Job Satisfaction of a Selected Group of Academic Librarians." Advances in Library Administration and Organization, vol. 17, JAI Press, pp. 23-66.

PRESENTATIONS: ALA 2005 conference, ALCTS Program, "Managing across Generations", panel member. ACRL 2005 National conference, panel member, "Computer Attitudes of a University Community. Louisiana Library Association, 2003, conference, workshop on personality type and work behavior type. American Library in Paris, 2000, workshop on MBTI and Work Behavior Type. ALA annual 2000, New Members Round Table pre-conference, "Learning to Lead". University of Florida: University of Florida Libraries Faculty Assembly, Chair, 2006. Women's Studies and Gender Research Center, Affiliate Faculty and Advisory board member, ongoing; Performing Arts Center Advisory Committee for Policy and Operations, member, 2005-2006; Faculty Senate Nominating Committee, chair, 2003-2006; Faculty Senate Committee on Committees, member, 2003-2006; President, Association for Academic Women, 2002-03; Minority Mentor Program Council, member, 1997-present.

ALA Member Since: 1994.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My initial involvement in ALA governance was through NMRT and ERT. Following a two year term as NMRT treasurer, I was appointed to BARC in 2000. I also served on the ERT executive board as a librarian member. I serve on association and division level committees and am a conference speaker for division or ALA office programs but my early experience in the focused atmosphere of round tables has remained an important factor in my development as a contributing member of the association. I believe my thorough knowledge of ALA finances, my long record of experience in governance at my university as well as in professional association work, and my commitment to diversity in ALA's leadership corps will allow me to be an effective member of our governing council. Thank you for considering my candidacy for ALA Councilor-at-large.

—CAROL RITZEN KEM

59. EM CLAIRE KNOWLES, Assistant Dean for Student Administrative Services, Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS), Simmons College.

EDUCATION: Simmons College, GSLIS, Doctor of Arts, 1988; California State University, Master's in Public Administration, 1986; University of California, Masters in Librarianship, 1974; University of California, Davis, Bachelor of Arts, International Relations, 1973.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Library Association, Life Member; Budget and Planning Assembly, 2002-2004/2005-2007; Councilor at Large, 2001-2004/ 2005-2007/Councilor mentor; Committee on Diversity; Spectrum; Chapter Relations Subcommittee speaker, 1995-1996 IRC-Bogle International Travel Subcommittee, 2002; Louise B. Giles Scholarship jury, 1990-1991; Office of Literacy and Outreach Services, 1989-1991; Student Chapter Advisor, 1990-present; Resolutions Committee, 1991-1993; Association of College and Research Libraries; Founding member, Racial and Diversity Committee, 1992-1995; Chair, Funded project on Campus Recruitment of Multicultural Underrepresented Students, 1992; Member, Bibliographic Instruction Section, 1984-1986; Black Caucus of the American Library Association: Secretary, 1994-1996; Executive Board, 1986-1993, 2000-2002; John Tyson Memorial Professional Development Committee, 2001+.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: California Library Association, 1976-1978; California White House Conference on Library and Information Services, 1980; Massachusetts Board of Library Commission, Legislative Days, 2000; REFORMA, MA state coordinator, REFORMA/NE, 2000-2002; Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, Commissioner, 2001-2006; Massachusetts Library Association, Board Member, 2001-2003; New England Library Association, Board Member, 2001-2003.
ALA Member Since: 1981.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am devoted to this organization and its governance. As a librarian and educator for thirty years and member of ALA for twenty years, I combined my professional work with consulting with academic, public, and school library workers, and library associations on statewide, national, and international levels. Although I do not always feel apart of Council, I am committed to the goals of ALA with the following in particular: • Promoting innovative practices for the next generation of information professionals. • Commitment to freedom of speech for all people. • Encouraging diversity in all areas of ALA. • Pursuing the most effective ALA tactics to accomplish legislation that favors libraries. My approachability and listening skills will facilitate discussions of vital issues, such as, copyright, roles and perceptions of librarians, intellectual freedom, government intervention, etc. My background and experience with diverse groups prepare me to represent and serve my colleagues in ALA. —EM CLAIRE KNOWLES

60. ALAN KORNBLAU, Library Director, Delray Beach Public Library.

EDUCATION: Florida State University, M.S.L.S., 1988; Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (formerly Stockton State College), B.A., Literature/Language, 1984.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Public Library Association-Member of the Legislation Committee (current); Allie Beth Martin Award Jury committee (2001).
OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Florida Library Association-Member of the Leadership Development Committee (current); New Jersey Library Association-Member of the Conference Exhibit Subcommittee (1996); President of Southwest Information Network Group, Inc. (SWING), a multi-type library association (1991-92).

HONORS AND AWARDS: Participant in the 1991 Snowbird Leadership Institute upon recommendation from State Librarian of Virginia, Dr. John Tyson.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Speaker at Palm Beach County Library Association Meeting (2007) on Job Searching; Speaker at Florida Library Association Conference (2006) on Leadership Development; Virginia Libraries (vol. 37, #4) authored article entitled Motivate, Inspire, and Lead.

ALA Member Since: 1988.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Librarianship is my practice and passion. It is an honor and privilege to be nominated to serve on ALA Council where issues pertaining to the policies that govern our organization are discussed, debated, and decided. These are exciting times. Technology is changing the way we communicate, conduct business, and provide services throughout our profession. My primary concerns as a member are: • Maintaining the high standards of our principles and values • Fiscal responsibility • Developing new librarians and emerging leaders • Staying on the crest of the technological wave • Advocating on behalf of libraries. Now is the time to phase talented new leaders into positions of responsibility at all levels of our organization. I appreciate this opportunity and thank you for your consideration and support. —ALAN KORNBLAU

61. LINDA LORD, Deputy State Librarian, Maine State Library.

EDUCATION: Colby College, B.A., Political Science, 1966; University of Maine, M.L.S., 1976.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA OITP E-rate Task Force Chair 2006-; ASCLA Planning and Budget Committee 2005-; ASCLA LSTA Coordinators Discussion Group Chair 2006-; ASCLA State Library Agency Section (SLAS) Vice Chair 2006-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Maine Task Force on Learning Results, 1993-1995; Maine Education Media Association President, 1995-1997; Maine Library Commission 1992-1999 (Vice Chair person 1994-1999); Maine Libraries Conference Co-Chair Planning Committee, 1993-1994; Maine Library Association Chair of Public Library Standards Committee, 1999 to present.
HONORS AND AWARDS: Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society 1977; Maine Educational Media Association Library Media Specialist of the Year 1990.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have been privileged to contribute to many rewarding initiatives including updating and revising Maine's public library standards; implementing state-wide database licensing; bringing wireless connectivity to a number of Maine libraries; providing e-rate support; and providing advocacy training for support of Maine libraries. However, being part of the small group that created the Maine School

and Library Network is my most significant professional contribution. This network, conceived in 1995 by the Maine Public Utilities Commission at the urging of libraries and schools, and born in 1996-1997, connected all Maine libraries and school buildings to the Internet at NYNEX's expense. When NYNEX funding ceased in 2001, the Maine State Library successfully supported legislation to create the Maine Telecommunications Education Access Fund, Maine's state e-rate program. Knowing that our smallest libraries and schools have access to online databases and to information from around the world has highlighted my entire career.

ALA Member Since: 1999.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The myriad of rapidly changing issues facing all types of libraries is well known to most of us as are the complexities surrounding each of them. Regardless of ever-changing challenges, free access to information through our nation's libraries remains a critical foundation to our democratic way of life. The American Library Association plays a unique role in supporting the mission of all libraries, and ensuring that libraries continue to fill their historic role while adapting to the changing needs of today's world. I would be proud and honored to contribute my perspectives to the vital work of the ALA Council. My perspectives have been formed by my state library position, school library media background, involvement on ASCLA committees, work with ALA's OIT division, and from having lived all my life and been a library user all my life in a small rural state. Thank you. —LINDA LORD

62. BERNARD A. MARGOLIS, President, Boston Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of Denver, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, 1970; University of Denver, Master of Arts in Librarianship, 1973; Additional graduate study, University of Michigan.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, 1985-2007; Council Resolutions Committee, 1987-1992; Chair 1988, 1990; Planning and Budget Assembly, 1987; ALA Endowment, 1989-2002; Senior Endowment Trustee-1994-2002; Nominated for Treasurer, 1992; Service on many special presidential Committees and Task Forces, 1988-2006; Core Values Task Force; IFLA delegate, Public Libraries Section, 1997-2004. LAMA: Library Organization & Management Section, member at large, 1980-82; Risk Management and Insurance Committee, 1982-1986. PLA: Metro Library Section, 1983-1984; Public Relations Committee, 1984-1986; Information and Referral Committee, 1979-1980; Membership Task Force, 1981-1982. ACRL, Member; ALCTS, Member; LITA, Member; RUSA, Member; GODORT, Member; IFRT, Member; NMRT, Member; SRRT, Member.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Boston Library Consortium, Board Member 1997 to present. Chair, Colorado Governor's Conference on Libraries, 1991. ARL, Member, Committee on Leadership and Management, 2003-. Colorado representative, WHCLIS, 1991. IFLA, Public Library Section, 1997 to 2005. Editorial Board, Journal of Library Administration, 1999 to present. Editorial Board of Bottom Line: The Magazine for Library Financial Management, 1997-2001.

Colorado Library Association, 1988-1997: Budget Committee; Task Force on Library Law; Legislative Committee. Colorado Center for the Book; President 1989-1992; President Emeritus, 1993. Colorado Library Education Foundation Board of Directors 1990-1997. Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries, Council Member, 1989-1993, 1993-1995. The Library Consortium, Founding Member 1993 to 1997. Massachusetts Center for the Book, Vice Chairman, 2002 to present. Massachusetts Historical Society, Fellow 1999 to present. Boston Athenaeum, Member. Ticknor Society, Member. Society of Printers, Member. Michigan Library Association, 1976-1988; Second Vice President; AV Division, Chairman; Legislative Committee, Chairman; Task Force on Library Law, Chairman. Michigan Library Association Education Foundation, President 1983-1985. Michigan Library Consortium, Executive Council 1977-1980. Treasurer 1980-1982; 1982-1984. Wayne State University, Wayne State Library and Information Science Program: Advisory Board, 2002 to present.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Michigan Librarian of the Year, 1985; Colorado Librarian of the Year, 1990; John Cotton Dana Award, 1997, 1991; Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts "Award of Excellence" 1993; ALA Idea Awareness Search Award, 1982; Gale/RASD American Library Association Award, 1995; Colorado Library Association Intellectual Freedom Award, 1993; Frank Waters Award (presented by the Pikes Peak Writers' Conference), 1996; Awarded Honorary Doctor of Technology Degree by Wentworth Institute of Technology, 1999; Harlston Parker Award, 2002; American Institute of Architects (AIA) Honor Awards 1999 (Hyde Park Branch Library), 2002 (Honan-Allston Branch Library); PEN New England, Friend to Writers Award 2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: With over 40 years of work in libraries, I am proud of a wide variety of accomplishments which have been focused on innovation, advocacy, intellectual freedom, library cooperation, and staff development: President of Boston Public Library beginning March 10, 1997; Director, Pikes Peak Library District, 1988-1997; Director, Monroe County Library System, Michigan, 1976-1988; Director, Raisin Valley Library System, 1980-1988; Director, Southeast Michigan Regional Film Library, 1980-1988; Denver Public Library (various positions; 1966-1972); Branch Librarian, Virginia Village Branch, Denver Public Library 1972-1973; Associate Editor, Bottom Line: The Magazine for Library Financial Management, 1986-1989; Editorial Board, 1997 to 2004; Democratic Candidate for Michigan State Senate 1986; Extensive work as trainer, presenter, speaker, book reviewer, rare book appraiser. **ALA Member Since:** 1973.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I will strongly support, lead and encourage efforts to: • Advocate for more public funding and support of libraries; • Provide free access for all to information; • Strengthen intellectual freedom; • Eliminate intrusions on privacy and freedom of inquiry; • Foster quality library education and lifelong learning for librarians; • Enhance public awareness and advocacy for libraries; • Effectively deploy new technologies in libraries; • Cultivate and mentor new library leaders; • Improve literacy for all people; • Value and promote diversity; • Improve the status of

and pay for librarians; • Prudently manage ALA's financial resources.

—BERNARD A. MARGOLIS

63. ALAN MATTLAGE, Humanities Team Leader, University of Maryland, McKeldin Library.

EDUCATION: Missouri State University, BA (Philosophy), 1979. University of Illinois-Urbana, PhD. (Philosophy), 1993. University of Maryland, MLS, 1999.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Committee on Professional Ethics, 2001-2003, member. ACRL Ethics Committee, 2001-2004, 2006-present, member. ACRL Ethics Committee Program Subcommittee, 2003-2004, chair; 1997-present, member.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Parliamentarian for Library Faculty Assembly, University of Maryland, 2004-present.

HONORS AND AWARDS: National Science Foundation Grant for "Infusing Quantitative Reasoning Across the Curriculum," 1996-1998. American Council of Learned Societies Grant for "Innovation in the Liberal Arts and Sciences," 1996-1997.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I completed a PhD at the University of Illinois-Urbana in 1993 with a dissertation on political philosophy entitled, "Kantian Constructivism and Rawlsian Egalitarianism." Over the course of 12 years, I taught philosophy full-time at three colleges and universities, primarily teaching Political Philosophy, the Philosophy of Law, and Moral Theory. In 1999, I earned an MLS at the University of Maryland. Since 1999, I have worked in Public Services at the University of Maryland. I am currently the Leader of the Humanities Team. Along with a number of book chapters and book reviews, I am the author of "Networked Scholarly Publishing," in *The Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 25(4), 1999; "Review of John E. Buschman's *Dismantling the Public Sphere: Situating and Sustaining Librarianship in the Age of the New Public Philosophy*," in *Portal: Libraries and the Academy*, 5(2) April 2005; "Intellectual Property and Coerced Exchanges," forthcoming in *The Journal of Information Ethics*; and I am the co-creator of *The Early Modern Women Database* (<http://www.lib.umd.edu/ETC/LOCAL/emw/emw.php3>)

ALA Member Since: 1997.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My motivation for running for ALA Council stems from my interest in supporting the ALA's efforts to defend our beleaguered right to information. Currently, the right to information is being eroded by the twin threats of the co-modification of information and government actions. First, the consolidation of the publishing/information industry is leading to runaway inflation and pricing many people out of the market for information. We must promote open access. Second, the legal regime of information access established by the Freedom of Information Act is increasingly ineffective in the new age of digitized information. We must work harder to ensure access, not only to documents, but to the raw data files upon which documents are created. I applaud actions by ALA to defend the right to information against these threats, but believe we must take a more proactive stance. If we don't, no one else will.

—ALAN MATTLAGE

64. GREGORY MCCLAY,

blogger, www.shush.ws.

EDUCATION: Bachelors in Library Science, 1994; Masters in Library Science, 1995; complete resume at <http://www.shush.ws/l.htm>.

ALA Member Since: 2004.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am a conservative librarian who is concerned about the tone ALA takes on many library issues and also the stands it takes on many non-library related issues. I believe intellectual diversity is the most important kind of diversity. I believe Library 2.0 is overrated though I'm involved with 4 blogs and have accounts with YouTube and Flickr. I don't support software filters on all public computers but access to pornography is not a right of intellectual freedom. I support the MLS (it does need an overhaul) and its not what makes you a librarian. I've been a professional librarian for 11 years. I enjoy what I do and like many fellow librarians I don't see ALA as influencing what I do today. It does affect the relevancy and importance of librarians and libraries in the future. For more information about me and my positions you can visit www.shush.ws.

—GREGORY MCCLAY

65. HEATHER MCCLURE Librarian for Technical Services and Archives, St. John's College, Meem Library.

EDUCATION: MA, St. John's College-Graduate Institute, 2006 ; MLS, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2002 ; BA, History & English, Skidmore College, 1994.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, ALA committees; ALA Division/Committee offices/ Round Table/Committee Offices, Representative to other groups] : Member, ALA, 2000-present ; ALA Councilor at Large, 2004-2007 ; Member, New Members Round Table.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: including dates: Member, New Mexico Library Association, 2003-present ; Member, Mountain Plains Library Association, 2003-present; NMLA Conference program committee member, 2006-7.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement Of Professional Concerns:

As I come to the end of my first term on the ALA Council, it has come to my attention that the needs and hopes of the next generation of librarians are woefully under appreciated. I hope to be one of the voices for that next generation and to bring their ideas to Council. Also, there are new challenges in librarianship every day and Councilors should focus their efforts on bringing librarianship and our patron's needs into the 21st century. I hope to remain involved with library issues on Council so as to make our professional organization a vital voice in this ever-changing world. —HEATHER MCCLURE

66. MARILYN MCCROSKEY, Professor/Head of Cataloging, Meyer Library, Missouri State University.

EDUCATION: B.S. in Ed. Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University), English major, Library Science minor, 1972; Master of Arts in English, Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University), 1976; M.A. in Library Science, University of Missouri—Columbia, 1981; Missouri lifetime

teaching certification in Library K-12, Instructional Media K-12, and English 7-12.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 2000-present: AASL Liaison on the CIP Advisory Group to the Library of Congress. Attends and participates in meetings of ALCTS CCS Cataloging of Children's Materials Committee (not an official member).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: 1992-present, elected member of Marionville (Mo.) R-9 Board of Education; President 1999-2005; Secretary 1994-1999. 2004-present, member of Missouri School Boards' Association Board of Directors, chair of Region 9 MSBA Leadership and Development Committee, member of state MSBA Training and Development Committee.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 1999, Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University) College of Education Recognition Award for Service.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: 1976-1981, school librarian for grades 7-12, Miller (Mo.) R-II Public Schools. In current position, catalogs nonbook materials (including juvenile); supervises seven catalogers; lead instructor of team-taught graduate-level cataloging course Publications: Cataloging Nonbook Materials with AACR2 and MARC: A Guide for the School Library Media Specialist, 2nd ed. AASL, 1999. Co-authored four columns on Cataloging-in-Publication, Knowledge Quest, 2003-2004. Presentations: Poster session, 2006 OLAC Conference, Phoenix, Ariz.: "Cataloging Streaming Video on the Web: Collaboration Between Catalogers, an Archivist, and a Documentary Filmmaker." "If it's there, I use it!: School Librarians Depend on CIP." One of six speakers, CIP Advisory Group program, ALA Conference, June 2006; reported on my survey of school librarians on their use of CIP and subject headings. Co-presented cataloging overview preconference, Missouri Association of School Librarians Conference, April 2006. Preconference on nonbook cataloging, AASL Conference, 1999. Other workshops and concurrent sessions on cataloging topics at state and national conferences, 1991-present.

ALA Member Since: 1985.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a cataloger, cataloging instructor, and former school librarian, I am concerned about the training of catalogers for the next generation of library users. A class in bibliographic control does not turn one into a cataloger. On-the-job training works only if there is another cataloger to do the training. School librarians frequently run their libraries solo, wearing many hats. According to a recent survey I conducted, school librarians depend heavily on CIP cataloging and fervently wish for better cataloging training. As a 15-year school board member, I believe school funds are wasted if library materials are not cataloged for best access. Library science programs should provide adequate cataloging classes. School librarians need affordable workshops to improve their cataloging skills. The LC CIP program should continue at its present level or higher, to provide good cataloging for library catalogs. ALA should promote quality cataloging for all libraries.

—MARILYN MCCROSKEY

67. MICHAEL J. MCGRORTY, Private Investigator/Analyst, labor and employment matters.

EDUCATION: San Jose State University SLIS,

August 2005, California State University, BA (Labor Studies) 1985.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Counselor at Large, 2003-07. ALA-APA Committee on Salaries and Status of Library Workers, 2005-present.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Assembly Member, California Library Association, 2003-07.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Spectrum Scholar, 2001.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Author of ALA Resolution on Salinas Libraries, Author of ALA/APA Resolution on Establishing Minimum Salary for Librarians.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My concerns are primarily to maintain and extend the free use of libraries, including and perhaps especially to the poor, and to increase salaries for library workers across the board.

—MICHAEL J. MCGRORTY

68. DALE MCNEILL, Director, Community Library Services Department, Queens Library.

EDUCATION: Phillips University, B.A., Education, 1984; LSU, M.L.S., 1985.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA, Off. for Accr., External Review Panelist, 2006; ACRL, member; PLA, member; RUSA, member; RUSA, RUSQ Editorial Board, 2003-; YALSA, member; YASD student conference worker, 1985; YALSA, NOSYL, member 1995-1997, chair 1997-1999; YALSA President's Program Chair, 1998; YALSA Media Selection & Usage, member 1999-2002; SRRT, member; SRRT, GLTF Book Award Committee, 1990-1992; GLBTRT, member; GLBTRT, Fund-raising Committee, 2006-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Texas Library Association, Conference Local Arrangements Committee, 1989; TLA, Co-chair Conference Registration, 1999 and 2002; TLA, Membership Committee, member 2002-2004, chair, 2004-2006; TLA 2004 Conference Program Committee; TLA 2006 Conference Program Committee; TLA Delegation Leader for Texas Senate District 23, Legislative Day, 2005. REFORMA, Rio Trinidad Chapter, Parliamentarian, 1999-2000; REFORMA, Rio Trinidad Chapter, President, 2002. Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, Local Arrangement sub-committee, 2005-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Lewis Mack Fellowship, LSU, 1984-1985; Full tuition scholarship, LSU, 1984-1985; Phi Kappa Phi, 1985; Beta Phi Mu, Beta Zeta Chapter, 1986; Texas Advanced Library Leadership Institute, 1996.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Organized and been a panelist at the regular "Serving Diverse Communities" continuing education opportunities in the North Texas area; featured speaker on "Reaching Out", a video of the American Foundation for the Blind for libraries and museums (1997); speaker, TLA conference "The Staff of Life", 2001; speaker, TLA conference, "Give 'Em What They Want", 2006; guest lecturer, LIU-SLIS, summer 2006, "Library Service to the GLBT Community"; guest lecturer, OU-SLIS, fall 2006, "How to Manage in Civil Service, Political Appointee, and Union Shop Library Environments"; moderator, TWU-SLIS, fall 2006 Forum, "View From the Top".

ALA Member Since: 1983.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

While the future will certainly bring challenges, we are in one of the greatest times of library growth and change in the last 100 years. We

must assure that the great trust that our funding organizations place in us is realized to its fullest. We have done so; I believe that we will continue to do so in the future. ALA priorities should include education for librarians, advocacy and legislative support for libraries and librarians, provision for and preservation of professional communication, and assurance that libraries of all types are available *all* potential users. We the members *are* ALA; the Association is only as strong as its members. My career has included children's service, reference, management, research, and general public librarianship. I would bring all that to Council. I would appreciate your vote. — DALE MCNEILL

69. LINDA MIELKE, former CEO, Indianapolis Marion County Public Library.

EDUCATION: Harvard University, Program for Senior Executives, 1994; Wayne State University, M.S.L.S., 1972; Wayne State University, B.A., 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: 2006 ALA Council, Certification for Public Librarians Committee; 2006 PLA Budget and Finance Committee; 2002 PLA National Conference Co-Chair Program Subcommittee; 1996 PLA President.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Indiana Library Federation, member ADOLPHI; 2005 recipient of Indiana Library Federation Partnership Award.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 2005 Indiana Library Federation Partnership Award.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Directed three public libraries most recently Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library (IMCPL). At IMCPL doubled the book budget and raised circulation 20% in two years. As President of PLA planned and implemented reorganization. Taped interview for American Libraries on Corporate Funding in Libraries. President's Column for Public Libraries. "What to Do," article on development of a marketing long range plan for American Libraries. "Cost Finding: Why it is Important for Public Libraries.

ALA Member Since: 1974.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Councilors need to listen, consider the impact of issues, and vote for the best for librarianship. Issues particularly important to me are intellectual freedom, technology, access for all, literacy, legislation, public awareness and an effective ALA. Challenges to our collections must be fought from the floor of Council to the Board room of the smallest libraries and in the Supreme Court. Technology brings the promise of information resources for all. ALA must continue to take the lead in providing technological solutions to information retrieval. Access for all is possible through technology and a strong LSTA. Literacy projects need to be strengthened through public awareness. A closer link needs to be established with the Washington Office. Public awareness of libraries has increased dramatically-the Gates Foundation gift, and telecommunications discounts and increased library use. Council needs to revisit the structure of ALA and our conferences-both need streamlining. —LINDA MIELKE

70. BARBARA MILLER, Associate Professor and Documents Librarian, Oklahoma State University.

EDUCATION: University of Illinois, B.A., Anthropology, 1969; University of Illinois, M.A., Anthropology, 1971; University of Tennessee, M.S.L.S., 1978.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ACRL/Instruction member 2003-2006; ACRL Legislative Liaison, 2006-present for Oklahoma ACRL. GODORT Member 1995-2006; GODORT coordinator State and Local Documents Task Force 2002-2004; GODORT member Education Committee 2000-2002; GODORT chair Bylaws Committee 2004-2006; GODORT chair Conference Committee 2006-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Oklahoma Library Assn.: Chair GODORT 2002; Chair of Library Education Division 2006-; Member of Legislative Committee, 2003-present. Oklahoma ACRL: Secretary of OK-ACRL Council of Instruction Librarians 2005-2006; Legislative Liaison for Oklahoma ACRL 2006-present.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Major accomplishments: (FOR ALA GODORT) Worked with State and Local Task force to coordinate information from states on cataloging of Agriculture Extension materials, for use by National Agriculture Library. Planned and coordinated two GODORT programs at ALA related to state documents. Presented GODORT program on information literacy instruction for government information. Worked to re-organize and update Bylaws of GODORT. Co-editor of National Browse Topics Database with Government Printing Office. Helped create tool kit for disappearing government information for the GODORT Education Committee, compiling a list of some 30 pages of information which disappeared from government web sites following 9/11. On state level, coordinated several workshops for GODORT and for Oklahoma ACRL and Oklahoma Lib. Assn. on instruction, and on pedagogy methods for library instruction. Helped coordinate spring OLA pre-conferences for GODORT and for Library Education Division, since 1997.

ALA Member Since: 1995 (and 1978-80).

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Being a librarian, I am concerned about Freedom of Information. Being a depository librarian I am concerned about the related problem of disappearing government information. I feel it is extremely important for ALA to remain constantly vigilant to legislative initiatives in Washington, to make sure that these rights are preserved. I also feel it is important for ALA to remain a leader in technological initiatives, so that librarians can keep abreast of problems with maintaining connectivity to electronic information. Disappearing electronic information and lack of access to legacy electronic information are major problems for many libraries, and we look to our national organization for help.

—BARBARA MILLER

71. SYLVIA MORA-ONA, Assistant Director, Branch Operations, Miami-Dade Public Library. **EDUCATION:** San Jose State University, M.L.S., 1980; San Francisco College for Women, B.A., 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA: ALA Graphics (GRAD) Committee, 2000-today. PLA: Member: PLA Program Selection Committee, Minneapolis Conference 2006-2008; Chair- Workload Measures and Staffing Pattern Committee, 2006-2007; Member- Workload Measure and

Staffing Pattern Committee, 2004-2006. ALSC: Member-Newbery Committee 2003; ALSC: Board of Directors, 1996-1998.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Sylvia Mora-Ona is the Assistant Director, Branches and Youth Services for the Miami Dade Public Library System. The Miami-Dade Public Library System serves a population of 2.6 million residents. The Library System has one Main Library and 40 branches. Ms. Mora-Ona has been an Assistant Director for seven years. Before that, Ms Mora-Ona served as the Youth Services Administrator for 10 years, developing such innovative programs as Project Jump Start, Teen Literacy Connection, Born to Read and PLASMAS—Public Library Assistance to Students in Mathematics and Science. Ms. Mora-Ona has worked in public libraries over 29 years both in Florida and California. Ms. Mora-Ona has worked on many ALSC, PLA and ALA committees during her professional career.

ALA Member Since: 1991.

—SYLVIA MORA-ONA

72. CATHERINE MURRAY-RUST, Dean of Libraries, Colorado State University, Morgan Library.

EDUCATION: Cornell University, graduate coursework, 1977; University of London, Post-graduate diploma in library and information science, 1974; University of Dar es Salaam, graduate coursework in African politics and international; Relations, 1972; Mount Holyoke College, AB, 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: LAMA (past-president) Executive Committee and Board, 2006-2007; LAMA president, 2005-2006, Vice-president/president-elect, 2004-2005; LAMA Strategic Plan Implementation Committee; LAMA Membership Committee; LAMA, MAES section chair; LAMA LOMS Planning and Evaluation of Library Services Committee; Member of ACRL, LITA, and LAMA.

OFFICE HELD IN STATE AND REGIONAL LIBRARY AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Member, Greater Western Alliance Board of Directors 2006-present, Greater Western Library Alliance, Digital Projects Task Force, 2001-2005, BioOne Board of Directors/Treasurer, 2006-present, Orbis Cascades, chair Regional Library Services Center Task Force, chair 2001-2003; Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries, Member Council, chair 2004-2005, member 2003-present.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Cook Award, Cornell University 1999, UCLA Senior Fellows 2003.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Served in leadership positions at Cornell, Oregon State, and Colorado State libraries as associate university librarian and dean. Wide variety of experience in all aspects of library administration and management including reference, systems, circulation, buildings, public relations/marketing, and fundraising. Demonstrated commitment to collaborative programs in joint materials purchases, shared collections, high-density storage, and digital services. Publications: joint authorship of a study on presidents and provosts views on the library to be published in *College and Research Libraries*, May 2007. Opinion piece in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* on tenure for librarians, 2005. "Storage as Preservation Strategy," published in *Advances in Librarianship* 2004.

ALA Member Since: 1981.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My greatest professional concerns at present are overcoming the increasing invisibility of libraries and the need for succession planning and leadership development in our profession as well as our institutions. As more information is digital, our contribution, especially in academic libraries, is less obvious to funders and users. The value we add to academic and civic life needs to be communicated with skill and conviction. In addition, we librarians have to continue to update our skills and work closely with our academic and community partners to deliver services and collections needed by today's and tomorrow's users. Through ALA and its divisions we have the opportunity and the responsibility to help develop leaders at all levels who believe in the power of libraries and who are enthusiastic about the future.

—CATHERINE MURRAY-RUST

73. MELORA RANNEY NORMAN, Coordinator of Outreach Services, Maine State Library. **EDUCATION:** Syracuse, NY, University School of Information Studies, Master's degree in library science, 1986, State University of New York, Oswego, B.A., English and Spanish, 1983.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Vice-chair, ASLA/LSSPS (Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies/Libraries Serving Special Populations Section) Library Services to People with Visual or Physical Disabilities Forum, 2006-2007; Chair, ALA Committee on Organization, 2004-; Chair, Bylaws Committee, Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT), 2006-2007; Member, Conference Committee, 2005-2007; Chair, Program Committee, IFRT, 2003-2005; Chair, Intellectual Freedom Round Table, 2003-2004; Maine Chapter Councilor 2002-2007; Member, Intellectual Freedom Committee, American Library Association (ALA) 2001-2003; Current member: LAMA, ALSC, YALSA, IFRT, SRRT; Member/Virtual Member, LAMA (Library Administration and Management Association) SASS Technical Services Systems Committee, 2000-; Campaign for America's Libraries delegate to Maine, 2001; Libraries Build Sustainable Communities delegate to Maine, 2000.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Chair, New England Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2004-2006; New England Library Association (NELA) Co-chair, Curriculum Subcommittee, New England Library Leadership Seminar 2003; MLA Executive Board 1995-1997, 1999-; Maine Library Association: Co-chair, Intellectual Freedom Committee 1995-1997, 1999-2002; Maine Library Association Web Page Task Force, 1997-; Maine Libraries Conference Committee, 1995-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Who's Who in America, 2004-; ALA-OIF/FTRE 30th Anniversary Honor Roll 1999.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Presenting and/or organizing many programs on intellectual freedom, leadership, and services to people with disabilities for the Maine libraries, New England Library Association (NELA), and ALA annual conferences, helping organize the first New England Library Leadership seminar; serving as the first chair of the newly created NELA Intellectual Freedom Committee and establishing its annual Proquest award; creating web presence for the town of Winthrop and Main State Library Outreach; writing brief occasional articles for

American Libraries; automating the collections for the Charles M. Bailey Public Library and Maine State Library's Books By Mail program.
ALA Member Since: 1988.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries make an amazing difference. In my years of working with virtual populations, including people with disabilities, I've had the tremendous honor to hear from people whose lives are enormously enriched by library services. I think the most important effort we can make is to carry this energy and enthusiasm out into our communities—to speak as one about the vital importance of libraries. To achieve this, a councilor must: • Communicate well—most especially, listening well • Utilize patience and knowledge to achieve consensus and work toward shared goals • Continually seek ways to support library professionals in our education and growth. As a member of the ALA Council, I would seek to gather together the shared wisdom of my colleagues toward the betterment, improvement, and continued excellence of our profession. —MELORA RANNEY NORMAN

74. M. A. (PEG) OETTINGER, Librarian (Retired), Middle Country Schools.

EDUCATION: 1970-1971, St. John's University, Jamaica, NY, M.L.S.; 1960-1964, The Catholic University of America Washington, DC, B Music Education.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, 2002-2005; ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2002-2006; ALA Resolutions Committee, 1998-2002; Ken Haycock Award Jury, 2005; Margaret A. Edwards Trust Intellectual Freedom Leadership Development Margaret A. Edwards Trust Intellectual Freedom Leadership Development Institute Margaret A. Edwards Trust Intellectual Freedom Leadership Development Institute Committee, 1998; IRC/IFC Joint Task Force on Cuba, 2003-2004; ALSC-ALSC Library Service to Children With Special Need Committee, 1995-1998 (Chair – 1997-1998); YALSA-YALSA Intellectual Freedom Committee, 1999-2002; YALSA Division and Membership Promotion Committee, 2007-2008.

HONORS AND AWARDS: People to People International Delegation of Librarians to the People's Republic of China, 1993; Who's Who in the East, 26th Edition; Who's Who in the World, 16th Edition.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Centereach HS 1985-1998: Took part in selection of first automated Library Management System for the District and then served as Network Supervisor, supervising the in-house retrospective conversion of two H.S. Library collections while continuing to provide library instruction and reference assistance to students faculty and staff using traditional materials as well as newer formats and technology. Oxhead Road Elementary 1970-1985- Completely reorganized the Library which had fallen into total disorder, supervised the closing of another elementary school library and the recataloging and integration of the materials into the Oxhead collection while continuing to provide library instruction and readers guidance to all grades, faculty and staff.

ALA Member Since: 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My primary areas of interest continue to be service to children and youth and intellectual free-

dom and equality of access to information (in all formats). The future strength of libraries lies with the children of today and I will continue to be a strong advocate for service and equity for young people in schools and public libraries. As an At-Large member of Council, I will continue to make myself available to members via e-mail and in person at conferences to discuss member concerns. I will also bring any such concerns to the Council floor for discussion and action. It is important to listen to all points of view and incorporate such information in addressing Council.

—M. A. (PEG) OETTINGER

75. SANDRA (SANDY) OLSON, Library Supervisor, University of Central Arkansas/Torreyson Library.

EDUCATION: University of Central Arkansas/Business, 60 hrs.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALCTS Education Committee Member 2004-2006. LSSIRT Vice President/President Elect 2007. LSSIRT Member at Large 2005-2006. LSSIRT Support Staff Certification Task Force Member 2003-2006. COPE III Representative 2003.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: ARLA-Secretary 2002-2004. ARLA-Awards Committee Chair 2005-2007. ARLA-Paraprofessional Division (ALPS)-Co-Founder/President 1990, President 2002. ARLA-Intellectual Freedom Committee Member 2000. ARLA-Publications Committee Member 2001. University of Central Arkansas Staff Senate Senator 2005-2006. University of Central Arkansas Staff Senate President 2001-2002. FBLA-State High School Competition Judge 2000-present.

HONORS AND AWARDS: ARLA-Lorrie Shuff Paraprofessional of the Year 2002. ALPS-Pioneer Award 2002.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Co-founder of the ALPS Roundtable that became a Division in 2001. First Paraprofessional to hold elected office on the ARLA Board. Arkansas Libraries Journal Article "What is a Paraprofessional?" 2003. Spearheaded a committee to have classified staff positions in our library upgraded. Managed to get 2 new higher level positions and have approximately 8 other positions upgraded. Presented session "COPE III Report" : ARLA Conference 2003. Presented session "LSSIRT and Professional Involvement for Paraprofessionals" : ALPS Conference 2005.

ALA Member Since: 2001.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Although it is often said that "one of the major challenges that libraries face in the area of human resources is the decline in the number of librarians", I believe that the same is happening in the support staff world. In this technological world, there are many skills that a support staff worker must have to gain even entry-level work in the library. I believe with the proper leadership we can be recognized as the hard working "professionals" that most of us are. Through my work with LSSIRT, The Support Staff Certification Task Force, and the Congress on Professional Education: Focus on Support Staff (COPE III) I've met a lot of intelligent, hard working individuals. These people are not willing to sit back on the sidelines and wait for someone else to do something to help their profession. I am also one of those people, and feel that being

an ALA Councilor is a step in the right direction to help my profession at the national level.

—SANDRA (SANDY) OLSON

76. CHARLES PACE, Director, Fargo Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of North Texas, B.A, History, 1988; University of North Texas, M.L.S., 1990.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council-North Dakota Chapter 2005-; HRDR Advisory Committee Member 2005-; LAMA FRFDS Member 2001-2002.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Public Library Section Chair North Dakota Library Association 2004-2005; Legislative Committee Chair North Dakota Library Association 2005-2006; ALA Councilor North Dakota Library Association 2005-.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Library Journal Mover & Shaker 2006. Fargo Public Library-"Best of Show" Children's Summer Reading Program Materials 2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: For the past five years I have had the privilege of serving as the Director of the Fargo Public Library in Fargo, ND. My major accomplishments during that time include a successful sales tax referendum to build three new libraries, a major library card campaign, implementation of a new ILS system, the opening of the first branch library in the history of FPL, and the creation of a series of measures to recognize staff and boost staff morale. I have previously worked several large urban libraries including Brooklyn, Dallas, Houston, and Chicago making me conversant in the problems of both larger and smaller systems. I have previously been published in Library Journal and Public Libraries.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Before becoming a library director I worked in a variety of library settings and in a number of different geographical locations. During the course of my career I have become increasingly concerned by the devaluation of the profession of librarianship and the MLS degree. As a director I have worked to increase the number of degreed librarians in our libraries and to eliminate the practice of hiring non-professionals for professional positions. I also believe that in order for our profession to remain strong we must embrace and not fear new technologies and new service models. I take great pride in the accomplishments of the young librarians I have been fortunate enough to get to know and to mentor in their careers. If elected to the Council I promise to exert myself fully to raise the status of the library profession and to increase beginning salaries for new professionals.
—CHARLES PACE

77. WILLIAM PAULLIN, Director, Atlantic County Library System.

EDUCATION: Drexel University, M.L.S., 1979; St. Joseph's College, Philadelphia, PA, B.S., English, 1971.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Chapter Councilor, New Jersey, 2002- 2004; Resolutions Committee-2005-2007; LAMA, Statistics Section, Executive Board 1997-2000, Member. PLA-Member since 1981; LITA-Member since 1983; LAMA-Member since 1983; SRRT-Member since 2006; Presidential Task Force on the Graduated Dues Study-2006-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: New Jersey Library Association-Member since 1979. NJLA-Executive Board-ALA Chapter Councilor-2001-2004; NJLA-Second Vice-President-1998; NJLA-Executive Board-Member-at-Large-1994-1997. NJLA Committee Activity: Conference Committee-CoChair-2001 & 2002; Public Policy Committee-member-1997-2007; Personnel Administration Committee-1982-1994 & 1997; served as Chair 1990-1994; Government Relations Committee 1982-1994; By-Laws Committee-1983. South Jersey Regional Library Cooperative: SJRLC Executive Board: Member-at-Large-1988-1994; Vice-President-1990-1991. SJRLC Committee Activity: Advocacy Committee; Collection Development; Planning; Technology; Reference/Interlibrary Loan. Waterford Township Free Public Library-New Jersey: Board of Trustees 1978-1985.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Vice President of the Waterford Township Free Public Library when the first Professional Librarian was hired as the Director. The library also doubled the public space during my tenure on the board. While serving as Chair of the NJLA Personnel Committee we developed the guidelines for the minimum salaries for entry level librarians and library assistants. Implemented "Project Connect" which provided high speed Internet access for all public and private schools in Atlantic County, New Jersey through the Atlantic County Library System.

ALA Member Since: 1979.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

One Term and out. I pledge that when I am elected I will serve only one term on council. Why would I run for election and only wish to be on three years? I had served as the Chapter Councilor for New Jersey for three years. This was my first experience with ALA governance and it left a lasting impression. I believe that two terms, six years, is a sufficient time to help direct an organization. You then have learned enough to be more effective in the committees of that organization. I am now more involved in ALA because I understand the governance structure.
—WILLIAM PAULLIN

78. BRENDA PRUITT-ANNISSETTE, Coordinator-Media Services, Fulton County Schools. **EDUCATION:** Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, Ed. D.-Doctoral Student-Education Leadership, 2004-Present. Specializing in Urban School Leadership; Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, Ed. S.-Administration and Leadership, 1998; North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina, M.L.S.-Library and Information Science, 1986; North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina, B.A.-French/Education, 1975.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Member: American Library Association (ALA); Member: American Association of School Librarians (AASL); Member: Young Adult Services Librarian (YALSA); Member: Association for Library Services to Children (ALSC); Member: Research and Statistics Committee (American Library Association-Sub committee); Member: Accreditation Committee (American Library Association - Sub Committee); Member: Children and Technology Committee (ALSC).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Vice President-PTA (Hambrick Elementary School) 2000-2001; Treasurer-PTA (Hambrick Elementary School)

2001-2002; Member: Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society for Educators; Member: Georgia Library Media Association (GLMA).

HONORS AND AWARDS: Teacher of the Year, Bethune Elementary School-Atlanta Public Schools, 1995-1996; People to Peoples' Conference Attendee to Barcelona, Spain-Atlanta Public Schools, 1996; DeWitt Wallace Reader's Guide National Library Power Media Specialist and Media Program- Atlanta Public Schools, 1993-1997; Kappa Delta Pi-Charter Member 2006; International Book Festival-Guadalajara, Mexico-Participant 2005.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Georgia Leadership Certification; Georgia Teaching Certification; New York State Teaching Certification; New York Public Library Certification; North Carolina Teaching Certification.

ALA Member Since: 1994.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The field of Library and Information Science owes a wealth of gratitude to those who deliver library services to children and young adults. As a children's librarian, school and public library setting, I have had the pleasure of developing programs which introduced children and young adults to the endless possibilities that exist within books: electronic and print. In this rapidly changing technology, engaging youth in the process of reading long enough for them to enjoy the art of reading, is a challenge. Knowing the importance of accessing and delivering quality information to young patrons is not enough. Today, 21st century information specialists must confront the 'mode of delivery' which is often more important than the 'deliverable.' As an information specialist who has embraced the numerous forms of technology, any new change was viewed as another learning opportunity for my professional growth. Helping others to embrace effective change is my concern. —BRENDA PRUITT-ANNISSETTE

79. CRISTINA RAMIREZ, Collection Librarian for Social & Behavioral Sciences, Virginia Commonwealth University.

EDUCATION: The Catholic University of America, M.S.L.S., 2005; The University of Texas at Austin, M.A. (Middle Eastern Studies), 2003; Louisiana State University, B.S., (Psychology, Honors Program), 1998; Louisiana State University, B.A., (Philosophy & Religious Studies), 1998.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ACRL EBSS (Educational and Behavioral Sciences Section) Higher Education Committee, Member 2006-2008; ALCTS CMDS CDER (Collection Development and Electronic Resources) Committee, Intern 2006-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: The SLIS (School of Library and Information Science of The Catholic University of America) Alumni Association Executive Board, 2006-2007.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Minnesota Institute for Early Career Librarians From Traditionally Underrepresented Groups, University of Minnesota Libraries, Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 22-28, 2006. Received scholarship to attend Book Expo 2006 and the & Encounters Librarians-Publishers Program, 'America Reads Spanish Campaign', Sponsored by the Spanish Institute for Foreign Trade (ICEX) and the Spanish Association of Publishers Guilds (FGEE), Washington, D.C., 2006. Beta Phi Mu (International Library and Information Studies

Honor Society), Summer 2006. Phi Beta Kappa Society (National Honor Society). Golden Key (International Honour Society). Sigma Delta Pi (La Sociedad Nacional Honoraria Hispánica/National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Since becoming an academic librarian, I have been actively incorporating my values of diversity, inclusion, and collaboration. I have served on numerous committees such as the New Faculty Orientation Committee, LibQUAL+ 2006 Task Force, the screening committee for Reference Librarian in Behavioral and Social Sciences, President of the VCU Libraries Staff Association, and the LGBT Subcommittee of the Office of Equity and Diversity. I am also active in groups that explore research and academic issues such as QRIG (Qualitative Research Interest Group) and VAL-HEN (Virginia Higher Education Network). I am furthering my education by pursuing a Masters in Public Administration in the Wilder School at VCU and taking a variety of technology courses. I volunteer to promote the libraries cultural and technology initiatives in such activities such as the Mobile Technology Fair and the Annual Brown-Lyons Spring Lecture. I collaborate with other units in the library to promote the collections and to enhance the collections for more users. I am on a materials initiative for the University College and collaborating with the Community Health Education Center.

ALA Member Since: 2004.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a multi-lingual, Hispanic woman, I feel that I bring fresh perspective to Academic Libraries. I want to be an advocate for those groups traditionally underrepresented in both libraries and higher education. Libraries will need to adjust to the rapidly changing demographics of the United States in order to better serve all members of society. I bring a multi-disciplinary background and approach to librarianship having a broad social science background (Middle Eastern Studies, Psychology, Philosophy, Religious Studies). I want to promote outreach and service to a number of diverse communities. I also want to bridge differences of both faculty librarians and staff so that all members of the library community can share their strengths and work toward common goals. I want to increase the numbers of underrepresented groups in ALA divisions and committees. I also want to work with ALA to develop training for future leaders of color. —CRISTINA RAMIREZ

80. ELIZABETH ANN RIDLER, Manager Library Services, Brooklyn Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of Western Ontario, M.L.I.S., 1985; University of Alberta, M.A., 1972; University of Toronto, B.Ed., 1976; Trent University, B.A., 1969.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Councilor-at-Large, 2004-2007, ALA Resolutions Committee, 2006-2008; Carroll Preston Baber Grant Jury; ASCLA Budget and Planning Committee member, 2004-2008, ASCLA Ad Hoc Mentoring Implementation Task Force Chair, 2004-2005 ASCLA Ad Hoc Mentoring Task Force Chair, 2002-2004, ASCLA Publications Committee member (Libraries Serving Special Populations Section representative), 1999-2003, Century Scholarship Jury Chair, 2000-2004, Century Scholarship Committee member, 1999-2004, ADA Assembly (LSSPS representative) 1995-1999, ASCLA Standards Committee Subcom-

mittee to Develop Guidelines for Library Service for People with Mental Retardation, 1995-1999, Library Services to People with Visual or Physical Disabilities Forum Chair, 1998-1999.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: New York Library Association: Round Table on Library Service to Special Populations President, 1999- ; New Members Round Table President, 1997-1998, NMRT Vice President and Program Chair, 1996-1997, Continental Copy/NMRT Award Committee Chair, 1995-1996; Canadian Library Association: Library and Information Services for Native Peoples Interest Group Convenor, 1988-1994, CLA Task Force to Develop Canadian Standards and Guidelines for Library Services for People with Disabilities member, 1993; Canadian Women's Club of New York: First Vice President, 2003-2005.

HONORS AND AWARDS: New York Library Association: Continental Copy/New Members Round Table Award Winner, 1994.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Publications: Member, Standards Committee Subcommittee to Develop Guidelines for Library Services for People with Mental Retardation, Guidelines for Library Services for People with Mental Retardation, Chicago: ASCLA/ALA, 1999. Lynda Moon, Barbara Myrvold, Elizabeth Ridler, Historical Walking Tour of Lawrence Park, Toronto: North Toronto Historical Society/Toronto Public Library, 1994. Member, Saskatchewan Task Force on Library Services for People with Disabilities, Partners in Planning: Libraries and People with Disabilities: Saskatchewan Education, 1988. Speaker mentoring and disability issues at ALA Conferences, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2004: Speaker on time management, corrections, and disability issues at New York Library Association Conferences, 1999, 2003-6.

ALA Member Since: 1994.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries promote an inclusive and democratic society through barrier-free, equitable access to information so that all people can acquire the knowledge and skills to cope with daily life and contribute as citizens. If re-elected to ALA Council, I will strongly support the following initiatives: • to increase public funding for libraries through the ALA Advocacy Campaign • to retain and recruit librarians (50% of current librarians will retire by 2015) 1. by scholarships like the Spectrum and Century Scholarships which recruit minority librarians or librarians with a disability 2. by mentoring new librarians through NMRT/ALA Leadership training. • to encourage outreach to underserved populations, e.g. prisoners, immigrants, seniors • to support lifelong learning that instills 21st century workplace skills • to work with the Accessibility Assembly to ensure accessible website design in libraries and in websites used by patrons with disabilities. • to foster ALA member retention/participation via ALA e-publications, e-learning, and online committees.

—ELIZABETH ANN RIDLER

81. JOHN J. RIEMER, Head, Cataloging & Metadata Center, UCLA.

EDUCATION: University of California, Los Angeles, B.A., Linguistics, 1977; University of California, Los Angeles, M.L.S., 1981.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALCTS: Organization & Bylaws Committee mbr. 2000-2002; LRTS Editor

Search Committee, ch. Jan.-July 2000; ALCTS Board Director-at-Large, 1998-2000; ALCTS Fundraising Committee, mbr. 1998-2000; CCS Margaret Mann Citation Committee, 1998; CCS Member-at-Large, 1995-1997; SS Rep. to LRTS Editorial Board, 1992-1995; ALCTS Program Initiatives Committee, mbr. 1991-1993; Best of LRTS Committee, 1991; SS Member-at-Large, 1990-1992; SS Policy & Research Committee, ch. 1988-1989, mbr. 1986-1987; SS Review Cte., ch. 1986. IFRT: Immroth Memorial Award Committee, 1990-1993; IFRT Membership Promotion Committee, 1984-1989.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: U. of Calif.: Bibliographic Services TF, ch. 2005; E-Resource Management System TF, mbr. 2004-2005; Heads of Technical Services group, mbr. 2004; CA Dig L. Shared Cataloging Program Advisory Cte, 2004-; Prog for Coop. Catlg. (PCC): Standing Cte on Automation, mbr. 2002-2004; Standing Cte on Standards, Task Force on Multiple Manifestations of E-Resources, ch. 2000-2001; 1st & 2nd Task Groups on Journals in Aggregator Databases, ch. 1999-2001; Standing Cte on Training, mbr. 1997-2000; CONSER Subject & Classification TF, ch. 1988-90; CONSER Operations Cte, mbr. 1987-2000. Serials Cataloging Cooperative Training Program Steering Cte (SCCTP), 1997-date.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Assn of Res Libs Research Libs Leadership Fellows program, 2004-2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have a long history of influencing people to collaborate and helping to overcome problems and obstacles along the way. Significant excitement about the Bibliographic Services Task Force report stems from the desire to begin working in a single, shared file. UC catalogers recently started the first PCC funnel project to involve bibliographic records. I chaired groups that proved that libraries and vendors could collaborate on creating cataloging records for the full-text titles contained in aggregator databases. I advocated for creation of the CONSER Enhance program and mentored initial members, and I co-wrote PCC Values Statement, 1998. I have encouraged and supported ten library assistants going to library school over the years. Wrote Discussion Paper 107 leading to MARBI's adoption of URLs in the MARC 21 authorities format, 1998. Wrote editorial, "National Series Authority File Derailed?" Cataloging & Classification Quarterly 19 (1) 1994 p.5-8. In my writing and speaking, I have pointed out that cooperation and imaginative use of technology are keys to sustaining a rich metadata standard.

ALA Member Since: 1980.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

An admirable strength of ALA among professional associations has been its ability to advocate and influence policy on a wide range of issues affecting the library world and greater society. Our future success as a profession will depend on • inclusiveness • effective advocacy • preservation of our core values • forming coalitions with like-minded partners in the information world • adaptation to an ever-changing user population's needs • reaching out across international boundaries. I would bring to ALA Council concerns that information remain accessible and affordable and available to future generations, that libraries receive the

funding they need to remain a powerful tool for literacy and lifelong learning, that we develop the strong leaders we need to succeed us in these efforts. As the future of bibliographic control is contemplated, we must lead by providing one of the best organized single sources of information in society. —JOHN J. RIEMER

82. K.R. ROBERTO, Cataloging Librarian, University of Georgia Libraries.

EDUCATION: Illinois State University, B.A. in anthropology, 1997; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, M.S. in library and information science, 1999.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Councilor-at-Large, 2004-Present; Member, ALA Committee on Diversity, 2004-Present; Member, ALA 2003 Election Nominating Committee, 2001-2002; Mentor, ALCTS CETRC Mentoring Program, 2002-Present; Co-Chair, ALCTS Creative Ideas in Technical Services Discussion Group, 2002-2003; Member, ACRL WSS Research Committee, 2002-2003; Member, GLBTRT Stonewall Book Awards Committee, 2003-2005; Coordinator, SRRT Alternatives in Publication Task Force, 2003-2004; Member, GLBTRT Clearinghouse/Website Committee, YA Bibliography Subcommittee, 2002; GLBTRT Liaison, ASCLA Americans with Disabilities Act Assembly, 2001-2002.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Member, Greenwood Publishing Group Electronic Product Advisory Board, 2003-2005 Member, Progressive Librarians Guild Scholarship Committee, 2002.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I co-edited *Revolutionary Librarians Redux: Radical Librarians Speak Out* (Jefferson, NC: McFarland, 2003) with Jessamyn West. I am currently editing an anthology, which will also be published by McFarland, with the tentative title of *Radical Cataloging: Challenges and Possibilities*. I have done regional and national presentations on such thrilling topics as alternative literature in libraries, GLBT issues in cataloging, and radical librarianship. I am also the founder and owner of two library-related email lists, one for transgendered & gender-variant library workers, and one to discuss radical cataloging issues (whatever that may entail).

ALA Member Since: 1997.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

A list of issues that I consider greatly important for the profession: • promoting diversity with regards to race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and levels of physical and mental ability in librarianship; • supporting intellectual freedom for all libraries and all age levels; • creating and defending access to all materials, regardless of content; • promoting literacy and sponsoring literacy initiatives; • recruiting and retaining library workers from diverse backgrounds, ages, and experiences; • exploring the uses of appropriate technology in library settings while still retaining valuable and traditional forms of library work; • emphasizing coalition-building within the Association and the profession as a whole; • developing and maintaining good senses of humor. —K.R. ROBERTO

83. DEBRA COX ROLLINS, Reference/Instruction Lib; Coordinator Information Literacy Outreach, Louisiana State University at Alexandria.

EDUCATION: Centenary College of Louisiana, B.A., English, 1973; Louisiana State University, M.L.I.S., Library and Information Science, 1986.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Association of College and Research Libraries: College Library Section, 2003; co-chair Continuing Education committee, 2006-present; Instruction Section, 2002-present; LIRT (Library Instruction Roundtable) High School to College Transition committee; Annual Conference facilitator—2003, 1987. Member; Blended Librarians Community; Continuing Library Education Network and Exchange Round Table (CLENE)-2006; American Association of School Librarians, 1987-2002.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Louisiana Library Association, 1985-present: Chair, A.H. Benoit Mid-Career Award committee, 2003-2004; Finance Committee Chair, 2002-2003; President, 2000-2001; 1st Vice-president/president-elect 1999-2000; Secretary, 1988-1999. Louisiana Association of School Librarians Section, Secretary 1986-1988; Chair, Modisette Award (outstanding school library program) 1992-1995. Louisiana Library Association Academic Section. Rapides Association of School Librarians (1986-2002) (President, two terms). American Association of University Professors. Assignments, appointments, and related activities: Louisiana Academic Library Information Network Consortium (LALINC) Chair, Information Literacy Committee 2005-2006; Committee member 2002-2007.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Nominee: Bolton Award for Outstanding Teaching, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, 2007; ACRL Institute for Information Literacy; Summer, 2006; A. H. Benoit Mid-Career Award (for contributions to librarianship by Louisiana librarian in mid-career), Louisiana Library Association, 2006; Outstanding School Library Media Specialist award, Louisiana Association of School Librarians, Louisiana Library Association, 1997; National Librarian Advisory Panel, Accelerated Reader, Advantage Learning Systems, 1997.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Presenter: "Development of Information Literacy Competencies through an "Interdisciplinary Course-embedded Research Project." Georgia Conference on Information Literacy; Oct 6, 2006. "Occasional Occurrences at Owl Creek University" in Primer on Reference Services in Academic Libraries. Haworth Press, 2006. (co-author). "Integrating Information Literacy into the General Education Curriculum" [http://appl006.lsu.edu/ocsweb/louishome.nsf/\\$Content/Information+Literacy+&+User+Service+Reports?OpenDocument](http://appl006.lsu.edu/ocsweb/louishome.nsf/$Content/Information+Literacy+&+User+Service+Reports?OpenDocument) (co-compiler). "Addressing Information Literacy;" Conference of Louisiana Colleges and Universities, New Orleans, 2004. "Information Literacy Model for Lifelong Learning." State Standards for Curriculum Development, Louisiana DOE, 1997; revised, 2004 (contributor). AASL/Independent Schools Section Panelist. ALA Annual, 2003. Presenter: "Efforts in Formative Evaluation of Assessment of Information Literacy Learning Outcomes through Collaborative Instruction." Louisiana Chapter, ACRL, Nov. 7, 2003. "Guidelines for Library Media Programs in Louisiana Schools." Louisiana DOE, 2004 Reader/reactor: Designer: The LILT: LSU-A Information Literacy Tutorials (independ-

ent online instruction modules), 2003-2006. Regular Reviewer, Appraisal; Science Books for Young People, (publication of Northeastern University and Boston University, 1989-2002.

ALA Member Since: 1986.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am a committed member of the American Library Association and committed to the spirit of its foundation statements. After twenty-plus years of service in public, school and academic libraries I see support for information literacy as the most valuable common platform from which libraries can address quality services and user needs. My experience and perspectives of librarianship will equip me to relate to a variety of library issues and recognize ways to focus the resources and energies of ALA to benefit its members. The most valuable resource in a library is its personnel. The most important service a professional organization can perform is to support, empower, and celebrate its members. As a counselor-at-large I will work towards this purpose. —DEBRA COX ROLLINS

84. SUSAN ROMAN, Dean, Dominican University, GSLIS.

EDUCATION: Dominican University, M.A.L.S., 1976; University of Chicago, Ph.D., 1991.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA member since 1976; ALA Election Audit Committee, 1980. ALSC member since 1976: Director, ALSC Bd. of Directors 1983-86; chair, ALSC Preconference Planning Comm.; chair, Continuing Education Comm., 1981-1984; Ad Hoc Comm. to examine ALSC Responsibility Statement 1983-1984; member, 1980 Newbery Award Comm.; member Boy Scouts Advisory Comm., 1976-1980; member, Chicago local Arrange. Comm. 1977-1978; participant, Rochester Conf. on Media Evaluation, 1979; 2007 Geisel Award Comm. YALSA: chair 1985 YALSA Local Arrangements Comm.; member YALSA Membership Promotion Comm. 1981-1985.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Illinois Library Assoc.: chair, Research comm., 1983-1984; member, Executive Board, 1983; member, ILA Finance Comm., 1983; President, Children's Librarians Section, 1981-83; chair, Ad-hoc Comm. on Children's Services Standards, 1978-81; Sec., Children's Section, 1977. North Suburban Library System: Facilitator, "Future of Public Library Service in Illinois" Conf., 1983; Coor., Media Eval. Workshop, 1981. Member of National Advisory Board — First Book, International Children's Digital Library (ICDL), member, Freedom to Read Foundation and ALISE.

HONORS AND AWARDS: "RASD Outstanding Reference Book, 1985"—for *Sequences*. Missouri State Scholar for Undergraduate Studies Scholarship, University of Chicago for graduate studies.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: For over 30 years, I have been involved in the profession, having worked in public libraries in all public service areas, the American Medical Association, the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, and spent 19 years on the staff at ALA. At ALA, I held the positions of Executive Director ALSC and ALTA and later became the Director of the Development Office. Throughout my career I have published, conducted research, taught as adjunct faculty of the library schools of the University of Russia, Brazil, South Africa, Australia, Eastern Europe, and India. I have

served on the National Advisory Boards of First Book, PBS Ready to Learn, and the International Children's Digital Library. I have published widely in the field and speak frequently on issues related to fundraising, family literacy, and children's services.

ALA Member Since: 1976.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Having served in direct service to individuals, on the ALA staff, and now in library school education, my concerns center around the following issues: (1) role of libraries in the education community, (2) Intellectual Freedom and First Amendment Rights, (3) legislation affecting libraries as it impinges on the public access to information, (4) literacy from infancy to older adults, (5) full funding for libraries in any type of setting, and (6) library and information science educational programs. —SUSAN ROMAN

85. ANNEMARIE ROSCELLO, Information Literacy Coordinator / Reference Librarian, Bergen Community College.

EDUCATION: Rochester Institute of Technology, B.S. 1990; Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, M.L.S., 2000.

ALA ACTIVITIES: AASL/Frances Henne Award, member 2001-2002; AASL/National Conference, 2003 KC-evaluations sub-committee, member 2002-2004; AASL/Annual Conference, 2004, co-chair, 2003-2005; AASL/3M "Salute to Schools" Advisory Group, member 2005; AASL/New Member Mentoring, member 2003-2007; AASL/Appointments Committee, member 2006-2008; AASL/ICONnect: Online Courses, chair 2006-2007; ACRL CJCLS/Membership and Communications, member 2003-2005; NMRT/ Roundtable liaison to AASL 2006-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: NJLA College and University Section, User Education Committee, chair 2004-2005; NJLA College and University Section, Executive Board, 2004-2005.

HONORS AND AWARDS: NJLA Emerging Leaders Program, 2002. Commendation from Bergen Community College, Institutional Assessment Committee, 2005; Faculty Development Committee, 2006.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I have been an active ALA member since entering Library School in 1999 and have work in a high school library media center and currently administer the information literacy program at a large community college library. My current position, reference and instruction librarian, provides opportunity for leadership, assessment based decision making, and the raising of awareness about information literacy as a fundamental 21st century literacy. Major accomplishments include being the Library's representative to the college's Institutional Assessment and Faculty Development Committees; participating in the NJLA Emerging Leaders program; develop and maintain an online information literacy tutorial with assessment for students and faculty; creating and presenting workshops regionally and nationally focusing on information literacy in the lives of students and how to plan, implement, and assess quality information literacy programs. In addition, serving as the chair of the NJLA College and University Section's User Education committee has facilitated communication with school library media specialists and academic librarians from other types of institutions. **ALA Member Since:** 1999.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My career serving a community college has reinforced my belief that we must strive to articulate our goals and celebrate our accomplishments to an audience larger than within the profession. Advocacy for information literacy as a core component in education at all levels must become universal. This can be accomplished by developing, promoting, and improving library and information services through collaboration. Librarians and library workers in all settings can join forces to be certain our populations appreciate and use information resources from birth till death. Working together we can demand adequate resources and support to achieve our goals. To reach these goals, ALA must continue to develop partnerships across divisions. At 66,000 members strong we can have a voice that is heard loud and clear by all decision makers regarding the value of libraries and information literacy in our society.

—ANNEMARIE ROSCELLO

86. KAY K. RUNGE, Director, Des Moines Public Library (retired).

EDUCATION: University of Iowa, Iowa City, M.L.S., 1970; Iowa State University, Ames, B.S., History Education, 1969.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA National Conference Committee 2000-2003; ALA Awards Comm, 1993-1996; ALA Non-tax Revenue Comm., 1987; ALA Exhibitors' Roundtable, 2002-2007; PLA President, 2000-2001; PLA Board of Directors, 1993-1996, 1999-2001; PLA President Events Comm, 1997-1998, PLA Nomination Comm, Chair, 2001-2002; LAMA Board of Directors, 1987-1990; LAMA FRFDS, Chair, 1987-1988; LAMA/BES/Architectural Awards Comm., 2006; ALA Federal Roles Committee and LSTA Comm, 2000-2003; Freedom to Read Foundation Board of Directors, 1989-1991; Friends of Libraries USA, Board of Directors, 2002-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President, Iowa Library Association, 1983; Co-Chair Iowa PreWhite House Conference, 1991; Chair, Iowa Library Association, Legislative Comm., 1980; Iowa Public Radio Commission, Iowa Board of Regents, 2005-; First Lady Christie Vilsack, Stories 2000 Foundation Board of Directors, 2000-2006; Electronic Technology Comm, Iowa Communication Network, 1996-; Dean's Advisory Council, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Iowa State University, 2004-2006; President, Iowa Humanities Board, 1998-1999; School of Library Science Advisory Board, Chair, University of Iowa, 2000-.

HONORS AND AWARDS: ALA National Advocacy Honor Roll Award, Assn. for Library Trustees & Advocates of the American Library Association, 2000; Iowa Library Association, Member of the year Award 2000; Women of Influence, Des Moines Business Record, 2004; Carrie Chapman Catt Award for Public Engagement, Iowa State University, 2006; Honored Alumni, Iowa State University, 2006; Toastmasters Communication Leadership Award, 1988; Iowa State Educational Assoc., Intellectual Freedom Award, 1984.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I came to Des Moines 6 years ago as part of a team that built a 21st Century Central library which opened in April, 2006. The public loves the form and function of how their new building works and were pleased to win an AIA Midwest Regional Award and the

International LEAF Award. This building is part of a \$48 million building program to revitalize the Des Moines Library System. As PLA president it was of importance to make public libraries a place of community and gathering as well as lifelong learning. A place where all who enter can find the information they need to better themselves. In all the public libraries where I have worked, we have tried to deliver the service the public wanted, needed and deserved. As I retire, it was an honor to be the Director of the Des Moines Public Library - where Library Director, Forrest Spaulding wrote the Library Bill of Rights in the 1930's, that later was adopted by the American Library Association.

ALA Member Since: 1974/Life member.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries are a public good for a public trust. They are embraced by children, students and adults alike. Whether they are academic, public, school or special, the mission is the same-to provide, deliver and impart information in all kinds of formats. AND to do this in an environment of inclusion, no matter what may be the user's age, race, creed or economic status so that through this process of education, all can better themselves and their lives. The librarians of today must be able to bridge the gap of learning by many different library patrons, to be able to enrich their lives and to embrace their needs, all the while protecting the principles of librarianship: access to information, confidentiality, and protection of the First Amendment Rights of Individuals. An awesome task in a 24/7 world that knows no boundaries. —KAY K. RUNGE

87. THOMAS SCHNEITER, Assistant Director for the Depository, Harvard University Library.

EDUCATION: University of Michigan, B.A., 1975; Indiana University, M.L.S., 1990.

ALA ACTIVITIES: LAMA Program Committee, Chair 2005-2007; LAMA Program Committee, 2003-2007; RUSA STARS Executive Committee, 2004-2007; LAMA SASS committees, 1995-2004; LAMA Library Storage Discussion Group, Chair 2001-2002.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: "Does Access Services Have a Future?", Journal of Access Services, 1/1, 2002; College & Research Libraries, numerous book reviews 1999-2006; nomination for LAMA President-Elect, 2006.

ALA Member Since: 1990.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

The American Library Association has a responsibility to serve and nurture the needs of its members. To the issues of the day and of the future, ALA must bring an approach that is broad, diverse, thoughtful, and effective. Lobbying must be focused and responsive to the membership. As an organization that is dedicated to the proposition that diffusion of knowledge is of central importance, ALA must dedicate itself to free speech, to the protection of the right to debate all aspects of any issue, to privacy of study, and to the promotion of the profession of librarianship in every forum.

—THOMAS SCHNEITER

88. JIM SIMONIS, Director of the Library, Le Moyne College.

EDUCATION: A.B., Magna Cum Laude, Findlay College, Ohio, History Major, 1963; M.L.S., Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY, 1965; M.S.I.S., University of Pittsburgh, PA, 1982.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ACRL Intellectual Freedom Committee, member, 2003-2005; GLBT Round Table, Chair, Fund Raising Committee, 2002-2006; GLBT Round Table, Stonewall Book Award Committee, member, 2006-.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Central New York Library Resources Council, Syracuse, NY, Vice-President, President, Past President, Board of Trustees, 1983-1987; Chair, Finance Committee, 1986-199. New York Library Association, Vice-President, President, Past President, Academic and Special Libraries Section, 1992-1995; Councilor at Large, 1998-2000. New York State Higher Education Initiative, member, Board, 2002-2006. OCLC Users' Council, representative for Nylink, 1997-2003. Nylink, member of Council, 1988-1991, 1996-2003. ConnectNY, member, Executive Committee, 2006-.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Ray Murray Award, New York State Library Assistants Association, for contributing to the recognition and/or professional growth of library assistants, 1999. Spirit of Librarianship Award, Academic and Special Libraries Section, New York Library Association, for exemplifying an exceptional and unique spirit in academic and special libraries, 1997. Graduate Assistantship, University of Pittsburgh, 1981-1982. Simonis Scholarship established in 1980 by Mansfield State College Library Faculty for a freshman student. Resolution, 1979, from Board of Trustees, Mansfield State College, commending outstanding service as Director of Libraries, 1967-1980. Induction, Beta Phi Mu, 1965. Academic Scholarship, Findlay College, 1960-1963.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Active in promoting academic library consortial activities. Organizer and first President of the Susquehanna Library Cooperative in north central Pennsylvania, 1973-1980. Represented state owned academic libraries on the steering committee which drafted the first interlibrary loan code for PA, 1978-1980. Initiated planning and co-chaired steering committee for the first statewide conference of academic library directors in New York State, Oct. 12-13, 1995. Co-edited conference proceedings. Founding member of the Board of the New York State Higher Education Initiative, a statewide consortium of academic institutions and their libraries, 2002-2003. Represented Nylink, the OCLC network in New York, on OCLC's Members Council, 1997-2003. Chair of the Conference of Library Deans of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities, 2006-. First chair of the Fund Raising Committee for the Gay, Lesbian, Bi-Sexual, Transgendered Round Table of ALA, 2002-2006.

ALA Member Since: 1965.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

It would be a great honor for me to serve on ALA Council. I value ALA as the premier professional organization that is concerned with creating an informed citizenry and guaranteeing their unfettered access to information. This is a critical time for libraries and librarians as we cope with technological change, particularly the creation of virtual libraries, and government efforts to address security concerns that can result in hindering access to information. It is important that ALA be as strong as possible so that it can continue its crucial leadership role. Most of my professional experience has been with academic libraries, but I also have an understanding of the needs and concerns of public, school, and

special libraries through participation in OCLC's Members Council and state and regional library organizations and consortia. —JIM SIMONIS

89. CLARA SITTER, Associate Clinical Professor, University of Denver.

EDUCATION: University of Colorado Boulder, Ph.D. Education, 1982; University of Denver, C.A.S. (Certificate of Advanced Study), 1981; University of Texas at Austin M.L.S., 1966; University of Oklahoma, Norman. B.A., 1962.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council representing Alaska 1997-1999; ALA Standards Committee 1998-2002; AASL Knowledge Quest Editorial Board 2003-present; AASL Publications Committee 2004 to present, Chair 2005 to present.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Alaska Library Association (AkLA) President 1992-1993, chair of numerous committees; Alaska Governor's Advisory Council 1993-1994; Colorado Association of Libraries(CAL) Conference committee Poster Session Chair 2004, 2005, 2006; Colorado Association of School Librarians (CASL) Board 2001-2004; Colorado Library Association (CLA)various committees; Colorado Educational Media Association (CEMA) Board 1999-2000 and various committees; White House Conference on Libraries (Alaska) 1990-1991.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Alaska Library Association Honorary Life Member (awarded 1999); Handbook for Alaska K-12 School Libraries was named Best Handbook in the US 1996 by National Federation of Press Women; Handbook also selected as a notable document in 1995.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I was a practicing librarian for 30+ years with 18 years in academic and 17 years in school libraries. Work experience began with nine years in Texas at the University of Texas, Amarillo (Community) College, and West Texas State University, followed by 17 years in Colorado in private and public schools, ten years at the University of Alaska Anchorage, then back to Colorado (DU) in 1998. I have taught for eight years in the University of Denver Library and Information Science program. I experienced six of the DU LIS "re-development years" resulting in accreditation in 2004. I am passionate about our profession and committed to professional and continuing education for librarians. Community efforts include Spellbinders (volunteer storyteller), Optimist International (District Literacy Chair), and leadership in numerous service projects to serve youth. I have written articles, chapters, and columns. I wrote the following books: The Vertical File and its Alternatives (1992), Handbook for Alaska K-12 School Libraries (1995), and Plugging into the Electronic Library (1995). Recently I co-edited the May-June 2006 of Knowledge Quest.

ALA Member Since: 1965.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Flexibility, creativity, and the ability to adjust to change are essential characteristics for information professionals. Continuing education and user instruction will be a greater challenge as new technology and information delivery models develop rapidly. Dealing with continuing challenges to intellectual freedom and promoting the ethical use of information are ongoing concerns. As our profession focuses heavily on

information we must also remember the critical role we play in encouraging and promoting the "joy of reading" for adults, youth and children. One of the most important challenges for our profession and our professional association is advocacy and communication. Sharing stories illustrating the role of libraries and the work of librarians in the lives of diverse users is a significant aspect of advocacy for getting the attention of both users and stakeholders. As a member of Council I will be an advocate for libraries and librarians by supporting and communicating these values. — CLARA SITTER

90. PAM SANDLIAN SMITH, Director, West Palm Beach Public Library.

EDUCATION: University of Colorado, B.A., English, 1976; Emporia State University, M.L.S., 1992.

ALA ACTIVITIES: PLA Issues and Concerns, Recruitment of Public Librarians, 2002-2006; PLA Issues and Concerns, Legislation, 2006-08.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: SEFLIN Board of Directors-Secretary 2006-07; Library Cooperative of Palm Beach County-Chair 2002; Florida Library Assn Leadership Committee 2005-06.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition President's Award 2002; UMI Library Technology Award 1993-Kids Catalog; ALA Econo Clad Books Literature Award 1990 Read Aloud Program.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: During the past nine years serving as the West Palm Beach Public Library Director, I have led a physical, technical, service and cultural makeover of the library resulting in an astonishing library transformation. A team from our library presented an overview of this transformation at the 2006 PLA Annual Conference: Mildly Delirious Libraries: Recreating Your Library from Top to Bottom. Previously, I was Children's Services Manager at the Denver Public Library. Highlights at DPL include writing the Apple Library of Tomorrow Grant which resulted in being a member of the team that created the Kid's Catalog. Worked with Michael Graves Architectural team to develop the noted DPL's Children's Library. Publications include: "Define, Design, Deliver" Library Journal, December 2006, "Information Playgrounds" Public Library Quarterly, 1998, "Visioning the Future of the Digital Library" Library Trends, Spring 1997, "Rethinking the Rules" School Library Journal, July 1995, "The Kid's Catalog Project" Emerging Communities 1994.

ALA Member Since: 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As libraries and librarians adapt to the ever changing, challenging and robust world of information, community and politics, so must ALA. The 21st century library must continue with our essential democratic tradition of public service and our steadfast defense of intellectual freedom. It must also learn to reflect and respond to the changing needs of our community, both locally and globally. We must move at a quicker pace. In order to remain relevant in the eyes of our citizens, libraries must collectively work to reframe our message. As one voice and one vote, I support a quicker, responsive leadership from our ALA governance.

—PAM SANDLIAN SMITH

91. SALLY DECKER SMITH, Head of Adult Services, Indian Trails Public Library District.

EDUCATION: University of Illinois at Chicago, B.S. Education, 1970; Northern Illinois University, M.A. L.I.S., 1987.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA American Libraries Advisory 1999-2001; PLA Public Libraries Advisory 1995-1999, 2004-2006, 2006-2008; PLA Demco Creative Merchandising Grant Jury 2001-2002; PLA New Leaders Travel Grant Jury 2002-2003; PLA Conference Program Committee 2006-2008.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Professional accomplishments of which I am most proud: 1) successfully explaining our reasons for not filtering Internet terminals to a hostile audience; 2) presenting 2 successful programs at PLA; 3) having two pieces accepted for publication in "American Libraries" and four in "Public Libraries"; 4) since 1995, "Sally in Libraryland" columnist for the Illinois Library Association "Reporter."

ALA Member Since: 1990.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Libraries, like the rest of the world, are facing change at a rate we could not have imagined 10 years ago. We need to be sure we continue to be relevant, accessible in ALL the ways the word means, staffed by people who are educated well and paid fairly, and a place people can count on to defend their rights to pursue their interests without anyone looking over their shoulders. Serving as a member of Council will enable me to act upon these convictions, developed over a lifetime as a library user and a librarian. —SALLY DECKER SMITH

92. MARY STANSBURY, Associate Professor, School of Library & Information Science, Kent State U.

EDUCATION: Texas Woman's University, Ph.D. in Library Science, 1998; Texas Woman's University, M.L.S. in Library & Information Science, 1991; University of Texas at Austin, B.A. in Plan II, 1986.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Committee on Accreditation External Review Panel Member, 2006-2007, 2004-2005, 2003-2004; RUSA Machine Assisted Reference Section, Public Libraries Committee, member, 2001-2004, Co-chair, 2002-2003; RUSA Management and Operation of Public Services Section, Fee-based Reference Services Committee, member, 1994, Chair, 1994-1996; Intellectual Freedom Round Table; Social Responsibilities Round Table; LITA/OCLC Minority Student Scholarship Committee, member, 1994-1995; Library Research Round Table.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: ALISE Teaching Excellence Award Committee Chair 2006-2007; ALISE Membership Committee, member 1999-2001; Ohio Library Council (OLC) Intellectual Freedom Committee 2005-07; OLC Reference & Information Services/Adult Services Conference Program Committee 2005-2006; OLC Library Futures Initiative, Staffing Task Force 2001; Ohio Digital Divide Working Group, Founding member 2005-; State Library of Ohio Library Services & Technology Act Advisory Council 2001-2007; Hudson [Public] Library & Historical Society, Trustee 2001-2004; American Association of University Professors, 2001-; Kent State University, Faculty Senate, Vice Chair 2005-2006, Secretary 2004-2005, Executive Committee member 2006-2007, member at-

large, 2002-2007; KSU University Council on Technology, Vice chair 2006-2007; Hudson [OH] League of Women Voters, Board of Directors 2005-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Ohio Academic Leadership Academy, Kent State University Nominee, 2006-2007; Kent State University Leadership Academy, 2002-2003; Snowbird Leadership Institute 1994; Phi Kappa Phi; Kent State University Graduate Applause, 2005.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Co-Principal investigator for an IMLS Research & Demonstration Grant for Health Information Seeking Behaviors of Older Adults, \$327,000, 2005-08; co-evaluator of KnowItNow 24/7 statewide [OH] virtual reference service, 2004-06; Co-author of Virtual Inequality: Beyond the Digital Divide, 2003; Total external funding of \$103,000 for researching the digital divide, 2001; Multiple presentations at international, national, statewide, and regional professional and scholarly conferences; Tenured, associate professor of LIS; Former public library trustee.

ALA Member Since: 1993.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My professional concerns are broad and are framed by my good fortune to be working in an outstanding library community and by my roles as educator and researcher. The needs of our communities must be better understood in order to provide the most relevant, efficient, and effective services and librarians must be committed to evaluating the impact of services. In addition, becoming knowledgeable about and involved in the political processes of our communities, states and nation is critical to those we serve. The formal educational entities and offerings in our field, higher education and continuing education, need to be studied comprehensively to determine growth needs and opportunities as well as for relevancy and effectiveness, particularly in the networked services environment. Research must be supported through funding from the American Library Association. A diverse workforce is as important as the diversity of our collections. —MARY STANSBURY

93. LYNN STRICKLAND, Librarian/School Library Media Specialist, Austin Middle School. **EDUCATION:** Florida State University, M.S.L.S., 1986; Jacksonville University, M.A.T., 1982; Florida State University, B.A., 1974.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Association for School Librarians (AASL): AASL Board of Directors, 2006; AASL Director, Region V, 2006.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Coordinator, Summer Institute, Georgia Library Media Assoc., 2007, 2006, 2005; Board of Directors, Georgia Library Media Assoc., 2007-2001; Treasurer, Georgia Library Media Assoc., 2004-2002; Chairman Region 8, Georgia Library Media Assoc., 2002-2000; Library Board, Douglas County Public Libraries, 2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: 2005 Bound To Stay Bound Publisher's Grant; 2005-2004 Library Media Specialist of the Year for Northwest Georgia; 1997-1996 Educator of the Year, South Paulding Middle School, Dallas, Georgia; 1986 FAME Scholarship, Florida State University; 1982-1980 Bilingual Education Scholarship, Jacksonville University (Florida).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Professional Contribution: "What a school thinks about its library is a measure of what it thinks about education," said

former US Commissioner of Education Howard Howe. This quote has always inspired me to be all I can be as a school librarian and an advocate for all libraries. I used my voice and passion to lobby the Georgia Legislature via e-mails and in person as well as speaking up about all libraries to anyone that will listen. Currently, I am involved in a group of university, public, and school librarians called "Librarians for Literacy." Being involved in the state library association and now involving myself at the national level is allowing me to greatly contribute to the profession. Publications: CD-ROM and Its Application in Libraries and School Media Centers, Tech Trends, Apr/May 1988. Planning Process in School Media Centers, Florida Media Quarterly, Spring 1988. Computers in School Media Centers, Florida Media Quarterly, Fall 1987.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

Librarianship goes beyond just managing a collection of resources and facilitating others' access to its content. It is a diverse group working a broad range of jobs, using the latest technologies and extensive databases to open a world of information to anyone seeking knowledge. As librarians, we must strive together, staying cool, focused, and positive about what we do to facilitate knowledge sharing. We experienced librarians must provide the leadership and direction for those librarians coming behind us. This is why the leadership of the American Library Association must be the beacon of hope for the 21st century libraries. This is why I would like to represent all of you on the American Library Association Council.

—LYNN STRICKLAND

94. CLAUDIA B. SUMLER, Sr. Administrator, Public Services, Harford Co. Public Library. **EDUCATION:** University of Illinois, Urbana, B.A., 1969; University of Illinois, Urbana, M.L.S., 1970.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Chapter Councilor, 2005-2007; ALA-APA Promotion and Fundraising Committee, 2007-; ALA Planning and Budget Assembly, 2006-2007; ALA Task Force on Recruitment, 2002-2003 (Chair); ALA Recruitment Assembly, 2003-2004, (Chair 2003); PLA Conference Program Coordination for Annual Conference, 2006-2007 (Chair); PLA National Conference Program, 1998-99 (member), 1999-2000 (Chair); PLA Board of Directors, 1984-1987, 1998-2000; PLA Public Policies for Public Libraries Section, 1993-1995 (Secretary) 1996-97 (President); Metropolitan Libraries Section, Board of Directors, 1988-1991; Small and Medium Size Libraries Section, 1982-1983 (President).

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: NJLA Board of Directors, 2005-2007; NJLA Library Development Committee, 1993-96 (Co-Chair); SJ Regional Library Cooperative, Board of Directors, 1997-2003; Maryland Library Association, President, 1985-1986; Maryland Library Association, 2nd Vice President, 1980-1981.

HONORS AND AWARDS: NJ Librarian of the Year, 2001.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: During a career in public library work spanning over thirty years, I have overseen library budgets, planning, personnel, and facilities. I have been involved with building or renovating seven library facilities. I was part of the team who worked successfully to introduce a

bachelor's degree library position to the New Jersey Department of Personnel's classification system, thus providing an alternative to either MLS positions or non-degreed support staff positions. I am also proud of my mentoring and support efforts for staff development in New Jersey libraries including the Train the Trainer program which ran for over ten years and the Super Supervisor training program available to all library staff working in a supervisory capacity.

ALA Member Since: 1974.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As an active member of PLA and two state library associations, I recognize the importance of clear and continuing communication in order to ensure the collaboration that is needed for the success of all parts of ALA. As a Councilor I will advocate for the divisions and roundtables to make sure that their voices are heard and their accomplishments are recognized as well as the partnerships that ALA is seeking with state chapters. I will also continue to support and work for the ongoing efforts to recruit and educate the next generation of library workers necessary to make libraries a vibrant and successful center in our communities. I am concerned that in the rush to fill positions vacated by the Baby Boomer generation that the profession is not stopping to consider how best to organize and staff the libraries of the twenty-first century.

—CLAUDIA B. SUMLER

95. JOHN F. SZABO, Director, Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System.

EDUCATION: University of Michigan, M.I.L.S., 1992; University of Alabama, B.A., 1990.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Member, PLA Intellectual Freedom Committee, 1994-1995.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President, Florida Library Association, 2003-2004; Chair, Legislative Committee, Florida Library Association, 2002-2003; President, Tampa Bay Library Consortium Board of Directors, 2002-2003; President, Gulfcoast Library Organization, 1996-1998; Chairperson, Library Directors Advisory Council, Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, 1997-98.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Rotary International Foundation Group Study Exchange to Sicily and the Aeolian Islands, 1994. Alexander J. Skrzypek Award for Service to the Blind and Physically Impaired.

ALA Member Since: 1988.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I strongly support ALA's leadership in the areas of advocacy, professional diversity and promotion of libraries and library staff. A robust advocacy effort, both nationally and locally, is an important and appropriate role for the association. Advocacy for funding, intellectual freedom, and professional salaries is critical to the success of our libraries, our hardworking personnel, and the association. ALA's continuing efforts to develop a more diverse professional workforce which reflects the communities we serve is incredibly worthwhile and worthy of continued investment. I also believe the association has a very important role to play in promoting libraries and the work of library staff. All of us, along with our institutions, benefit from these efforts. With these priorities, I look forward to serving the ALA membership.

—JOHN F. SZABO

96. JAMES TELIHA, Head of Access Services, University of Rhode Island. **EDUCATION:** University of Colorado, B.A., History & Political Science 1982; University of Colorado, M.A., History, 1993; University of Oklahoma. M.L.I.S., 1997.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee 2005-present, ACRL Committee on the Status of Librarians 2005-present, ALA IFRT Program Committee 2002-2007, ALA IFRT ProQuest/SIRS State and Local Intellectual Freedom Awards Committee 2003-2004, John Phillip Imroth Memorial Award Committee 2002-2004, Publications Committee 1999-2001.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Libraries of Rhode Island Interlibrary Loan Working Group, Chair, 2002-2004.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Phi Alpha Theta.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Jim Teliha is currently an Assistant Professor and the Head of Access Services at the University of Rhode Island. In addition to his Library degree from the University of Oklahoma, he has an MA in United States History from the University of Colorado, and is currently a member of RILA (Rhode Island Library Association), NELA (New England Library Association), ALA (American Library Association), ACRL (Association of College and Research Libraries), and LAMA (Library Administration and Management Association), and the Intellectual Freedom Round Table. Prior to the University of Rhode Island, Jim served as the Access Services Librarian at the Oregon Institute of Technology, and had a long paraprofessional career in Colorado before going to library school.

ALA Member Since: 1998.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I would like your vote for Council. I have worked in libraries for almost three decades as both a paraprofessional and a librarian. As librarians, we need to promote and defend our core values and ethics, and if elected to Council, I will do my best to uphold them. I see intellectual freedom as the primary core value of libraries: If one reads the Library Bill of Rights (which should have a place on the back of our ALA membership cards), one can see it throughout each clause. We must collect as broadly as possible, and provide access to as wide a range of people as we are able. We also need to speak out on issues that affect our profession and our institutions, and we need to do this carefully and wisely, so as not to dilute the power of our message, or of our association. —JAMES TELIHA

97. MANUEL URRIZOLA, Head of Monograph Cataloging, University of California Irvine Libraries.

EDUCATION: M.L.S., University of California, Berkeley, 1973; B.A., Amherst College, Amherst, MA, 1972.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Recruitment Assembly, ALCTS representative 2005-. ALCTS Sage Support Staff Jury, member 2005-. ALCTS Membership Committee, member 2000-2004; Chair, 2002-2004; ALCTS Cataloging Norms DG, member 1999-; Chair/Vice Chair, 1999-2002.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), member 1989-1994, 1999-; CALA Scholarship Committee, Chair,

2006-; CALA Rules & By-laws Committee, member, 2006-; CALA Sally Tseng Profession Grant Committee, Chair, 2004-2006; President, Southern California Technical Services Group (SCTPG), 2002/2003; Program Chair, SCTPG, 1999-2001; Chair, Speakers Liaison, California Acad. & Research Librarians (CARL), 2000 Conf.; Chair, Librarians Assoc. of the Univ. of Calif., Irvine (LAUC-I), Chair, 2004/2005; Board Member-at-large, LAUC-I, 2003/2004; Secretary, CALA California Chapter, 1993/1994.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Toastmasters International, Founders' District 2005 Humorous Speech Contest Winner.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Manuel Urrizola's interests include libraries and public speaking. For a list of publications, see his profile: http://www.faculty.uci.edu/profile.cfm?faculty_id=5112&term_list=). Manuel's professional activities center on recruitment of new people to the library profession. As Chair of the ALCTS Membership Committee, he promoted outreach to other professions, to library support staff, and to students. Currently, he serves as a representative to the ALA Recruitment Assembly. Whether as a program panelist, career-day speaker, workshop trainer, or internship mentor, Manuel continually promotes libraries and librarianship. In May of 2004, he was invited to facilitate the Cal Poly Pomona Bibliographic Access Services Retreat. Recently, Manuel was invited to give the after-dinner speech at the 2006 Ohio Library Council Technical Service Retreat, where he also presented a session the following day on public speaking for librarians. Similarly, he has been invited to give the President's Luncheon speech and present a public speaking workshop at the 2006 Wisconsin Library Association Conference. The Chinese American Librarians Association has invited Manuel to be the master of ceremonies at their annual banquet every year since 2002.

ALA Member Since: 1999.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

ALA is special. Membership has advanced my career and fed my soul. But meeting all of you is the best part—making new friends, establishing new connections. You have given me much. So I am running for Councilor-at-Large to give you something back. If elected, I will attend all meetings of the Council and vigorously advance the excellence of ALA operations and initiatives. I will work collegially and constructively with the ALA officers, other Councilors, and all of the diverse and talented members of our organization. Advancing opportunities for members and making ALA attractive to prospective new members will be at the top of my objectives. I will work diligently for you. I favor free speech and fair use. I oppose censorship and intolerance. I will always keep a sense of humor and a positive perspective. I promise not to sing at any Council meetings. Please, vote for me.

—MANUEL URRIZOLA

98. PATRICIA A. WAND, Dean of Library and Learning Resources, Zayed University, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

EDUCATION: Seattle University, B.A. cum laude, History 1963; Antioch Graduate School, M.A.T. Social Sciences, 1967; University of Michigan, A.M.L.S., 1972; Graduate Center, City University of New York, Cultural Anthropology, 1975-77.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council, ACRL Division Representative, 2001-2004; ALA Committees: International Relations Committee, 2004-2008; Subcommittee on Latin American, 1999-2001; Delegate to Cuban Library Association (ASCU-BI), May 2001; Committee on Membership Meetings, 2004-2006; Task Force on School Libraries, 2005-2006; Committee on Legislation, Chair, 1997-98. Member, 1995-99; Intellectual Property Subcommittee, 1995-97; White House Conference Committee, 1989-1995; Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL); Council of Liaisons, 2006-2008; Executive Committee, 2001-2004; Board of Directors, 2001-2004, 1986-1988; International Relations Committee, 1995-1998. Chair, 1996-1998; Legislative/Advocacy Training Pre-Conference, June 24-25, 1998. Chair, 1997-98; Pittsburgh National Conference Executive Committee. 1993-1995; Theme Speaker Subcommittee. Chair; Government Relations Committee. Chair, 1993-94, Member, 1991-1994; Task Force on White House Conference. Chair, 1989-1992; Executive Director Search Committee, Member, October 1990-June 1991; Budget and Finance Committee. Chair, 1986-1988, Member, 1984-1986; Anthropology and Sociology Section. Chair, 1983-84; Tour Coordinator, American Museum of Natural History, 1979-80; Activities Section Council. Chair, 1983-84; Activities Section Council/Board Relationship Task Force. Chair, 1983-84; Nominating Committee. 1983-84; Oregon Chapter, President, 1984-85, Vice President, 1983-84; Advisory Board, 1983-1987; Community and Junior College Library Section; Instruction and Use Committee, 1975-1977; Library and Information Technology Association (LITA): Libraries on the Information Superhighway Advocacy Network (LISAN): Steering Committee, 1995-1997; Resources and Technical Services Division (RTSD): Organization and Bylaws Committee, 1979-1981; Committee to Monitor Microform Advertising, 1978-79; Library Legislation and Development Committee, 1983-1987; Conference Program Subcommittee, 1982-83.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE AND REGIONAL LIBRARY AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: National Peace Corps Association: Elected Board member, 2005-2007; Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC): Board of Trustees; Library directors' representative. 2003-2005; Library Directors Advisory Council, member, 1989-2005; CAPCON: Board, President, 2002-2003. Elected Board member, 1997-2003; (OCLC users group of 350 libraries in Washington, DC area.); ERIC Clearinghouse for Higher Education Administration: Advisory Council member. Washington, DC, 1996-2004; District of Columbia Library Association (DCLA): President, 1996-97, Vice-President, 1995-96; Director (elected), Board of Directors. 1993-1998; Nominating Committee. Chair, 2000; Strategic Planning Committee. Chair, 1994-95; Oregon Library Association (OLA); Nominating Committee, 1988-89; Library Association of City University of New York (LACUNY): Committee on Library Instruction, 1973-1977.

HONORS AND AWARDS: • Best Practices in Marketing @ your library Award. First place to American University Library. ACRL National Conference, Minneapolis, April 2005. • Helen Palmer Kettler Society Award, American University, October 2004. • Distinguished Service Award, District of Columbia Library Association, June 4, 2003. • Always an Eagle

Award, Student Confederation, American University, April 2003. • Listed in Who's Who in the World, each edition since 12th Edition, 1995. New Providence, N.J.: Marquis Who's Who. • Listed in Who's Who of American Women, each edition since 19th Edition, 1995. New Providence, N.J.: Marquis Who's Who. • Listed in Who's Who in America, each edition since 48th Edition, 1994. New Providence, N.J.: Marquis Who's Who. • Distinguished Alumnus Award, School of Information and Library Studies, University of Michigan. March 26-27, 1992. • Member, Omicron Delta Kappa Society. American University Circle. April 3, 1991. • Fulbright Senior Lecture Award. Ecuador. April-August, 1989. • Beyond War Award to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers. December 6, 1987. • Beta Phi Mu Honorary Library Society. August, 1972. • Peace Corps Scholarship, Antioch Graduate School. 1965-66. • Honors Program and Scholarship, Seattle University. 1960-62. **OUTSIDE WITNESS TO CONGRESS:** Testified three times before U.S. House, Subcommittee on Legislative Appropriations., supporting budgets for Library of Congress. Represented ALA, Special Libraries Association, American Association of Law Libraries, and Association of Research Libraries. U.S. Congress, February 2, 2000. February 10, 1999. February 12, 1998.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: As Dean of Library and Learning Resources at Zayed University in the United Arab Emirates, Ms. Wand is shaping a new university that offers western-style education to Emirati women in Dubai and Abu Dhabi. Previously, she was University Librarian at American University in Washington DC for 16 years. She has held management and public service positions in libraries at University of Oregon, Columbia University, Staten Island Community College and Wittenberg University (Ohio). Ms. Wand speaks on copyright and information policy, library management, advocacy and international librarianship. She has published more than 40 articles and serves on several professional boards. Beginning her career as a secondary teacher, Ms. Wand helped to found the Bibliographic Instruction Section of ACRL in the 1970s. She served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Colombia (1963-65) and as training staff for Peace Corps (1969). Ms. Wand received the Distinguished Service Award from the District of Columbia Library Association; Distinguished Alumna Award from the University of Michigan, School of Information; and a Fulbright Senior Lecture Award to Ecuador.

ALA Member Since: 1973.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

ALAhead to 2010 provides ALA membership with an agenda to achieve the mission of the organization and to move the profession forward into the 21st century. Members work to achieve the ambitious goals of the strategic plan and ALA Council maintains the governance structure that makes it possible for them to succeed. The challenge for Council is to clarify the priorities among the competing issues. As a Councilor I shall rely on the strategic plan to guide my thinking as well as my commitment to intellectual freedom, the fair use of information, advocacy and the promotion of international librarianship. My previous three years on Council prepares me for continuous service on that body.

—PATRICIA A. WAND

99. THOMAS WEISSINGER, Afro-American Studies Librarian, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

EDUCATION: University of Pittsburgh, School of Library and Information Studies, M.L.S., 1980; University of Pittsburgh, School of Arts and Sciences, M.A., 1978; State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Arts and Sciences, B.A., 1973.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA Council. Member, Committee on Professional Ethics, 2005-2007; ALA. ACRL. African American Studies Librarians Section, Chair, Conference Program Planning Committee, 2004-2006; ALA Intellectual Freedom Roundtable. Member, Conference Program Planning Committee, 2004-2006; ALA Intellectual Freedom Roundtable. Member, Immroth Award Committee, 2005-2007.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Member, Champaign Public Library, Frederick Douglass Branch Advisory Board, 2004-; Member, Executive Board, African Studies Association, Africana Librarians Council, 1992-1994; Secretary, Center for Research Libraries, Cooperative Africana Microforms Project, 1993-1995.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Acknowledgements for professional service: Gates, Jr., Henry Louis. The Schomburg library of nineteenth-century Black women writers series (New York: Oxford University Press, 1988); Cross, William, Jr. *Shades of Black: Diversity in African American Identity* (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1991); Ohadike, Don C. *Anioma: a social history of the Western Igbo people* (Athens, OH: Ohio University Press, 1994); Davis, Jane. *South Africa: a botched civilization? : racial conflict and identity in selected South African novels* (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1997); Brown, Scot. *Fighting for US: Maulana Karenga, the US organization, and black cultural nationalism* (New York: New York University Press, 2003). Biographical entry in *Who's Who among African Americans* (Detroit: Gale Research, 1988-present).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Publications: Weissinger, Thomas, "Information as a Value Concept: Reconciling Theory and Practice," *Library Philosophy and Practice* 8 (Fall 2005): 12 pp. Available at: <http://libr.unl.edu:2000/LPP/lppv8n1.htm> (last accessed February 8, 2006). _____, "A Bibliography of John Henrik Clarke," In Jackson, Gerald G. *We're Not Going to Take it Anymore: Educational and Psychological Practices from an Africentric Paradigm of Helping* (Silver Spring, MD: Beckham Publications Group, 2005): 167-177. _____, "The New Literacy Thesis: Implications for Librarianship," *portal: Libraries and the Academy* 4 (April 2004): 245-257. _____, "Competing Models of Librarianship: Do Core Values Make a Difference?" *Journal of Academic Librarianship* 29 (January/February 2003): 32-39. _____, "Black Studies Scholarly Communication: A Citation Analysis," *Collection Management* 27 (nos. 3/4, 2002): 45-56. _____, "Defining Black Studies on the World Wide Web," *Journal of Academic Librarianship* 25 (July 1999): 288-293. _____, "African-American Reference Books and the Reviewing Media," In Deborah A. Curry, Susan Griswold Blandy and Lynne M. Martin, editors. *Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Academic Libraries: Multicultural Issues* (New York: Haworth Press, 1994): 137-151.

ALA Member Since: 1980.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

My professional concerns include value theory, professional ethics, and racial/ethnic diversity in librarianship. We should be wary of people like Andrei Codrescu who make political points on the basis of our association's values. Intellectual freedom is an ALA core value, and possibly also a universal one, since people in other parts of the world may well embrace it. But what if they do not? What about when we disagree among ourselves? Often our values conflict, as when social responsibility and intellectual freedom concerns compete. I take a pragmatic approach to value theory, treating values not as absolutes, but as standards or goals we can fulfill in various degrees. In this way measured and tempered solutions to conflicts are possible.

—THOMAS WEISSINGER

100. AMY TRACY WELLS, Associate Researcher, Michigan State University.

EDUCATION: University of Florida, B.A., 1989; University of South Florida, School of Library and Information Science, M.A., 1993; Michigan State University, College of Education, Learning, Technology and Culture Program, Doctoral coursework, 2002 to present.

ALA ACTIVITIES: American Library Association, 1993 to present; ALA Website Task Force, Co-Chair (1998 to 1999) and member (2000 to 2002); Reference and User Services Association (RUSA): Board (2003 to present and 1997-1998); RUSA Planning and Finance (1997-1999); RUSA Nominations, Member (1999); Reference and User Services Quarterly (RUSQ), Referee (1999 to date); John Sessions Memorial Award, Member and Chair (2000 to date), Program Committee, Co-Chair (2000-2001); Preconference Committee, Co-Chair, Digital Reference @ Your Library (2001 to 2002), Library of Congress, PI, selection criteria Task Force (2001 to date), Library of Congress, Member, Metadata Task Force (2001 to date). Machine Assisted Reference Section (MARS): Chair (1997-1998); Executive Committee, Member (1996-1999); Awards Committee, Member (2001 to 2002); MARS Nominations, Chair (1999); Section Review Task Force, Member (1996-1997); MARS Best Reference Web Sites, Co-Chair (1998 to 1999); Planning Committee, Member (1997-1999); MARS Nominations, Member (1998); Editor, Messages from MARS and Gopher/Web Coordinator (1994-1996); and Publications Committee, Member (1994-1996).

HONORS AND AWARDS: Selected Machine-Assisted Reference Section (MARS) Award for Service, 2001; Louis Shores-Oryx Award Recipient, 2000; Library of Congress: CRS Internship, 1993; Phi Beta Kappa, 1993.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: SELECTED PUBLICATIONS: Wells, A.T. and Hanson, A. (2002). E-Reference. In A. Hanson and B. Lubotsky Levin (Eds.) *Building a Virtual Library* (pp. 95-120). Hershey, PA.: Information Science Publishing. Wells, A.T. (2002). Foreword. In A. Hanson and B. Lubotsky Levin (Eds.) *Building a Virtual Library* (pp. 95-120). Hershey, PA.: Information Science Publishing. Wells, A. T., Calcari, S. and Koplw, T. (Eds.). (1999). *The Amazing Internet Challenge: How Leading Projects Use Library Skills to Organize the Web*. Chicago: ALA Editions. Wells, A. T., and Solock, J. (1999). Scout Report Signpost. In Wells, A. T., Calcari, S. and Koplw, T. (Eds.) *The Amazing Internet*

Challenge: How Leading Projects Use Library Skills to Organize the Web. Chicago: ALA Editions. Wells, A.T., (2005). In search of learning and knowing. Poster session presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information and Technology, Charlotte, NC. Batiste, A.D., Larson, C., Loghry, P.A., Major, G., Schneider, K.G., Woodley, M. & Wells, A.T., (2004) Selection Criteria For Traditional and Electronic Resources, Wells, A.T. (Ed.) Washington, DC: Library of Congress. **ALA Member Since:** 1992.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

As a Councilor of the American Library Association, I will work to • educate the public-at-large of the ongoing need for all types of libraries, • reverse laws limiting freedom of speech and access to government information, • promote funding for literacy activities, and • promote continuing education for the profession. I have been involved in these activities for some time through my work in the ALA, campaign work for local and national candidates, and regular communications with elected officials. However as a Councilor of the Association, I will be able to effect more change both within and outside of our organization. If elected, I look forward to working with Council to improve access to all information.

—AMY TRACY WELLS

101. TOM WILDING, Associate Professor of Practice, School of Info.Res. & Lib.Sci., Univ. of Arizona.

EDUCATION: Georgetown University, A.B., English, 1970; Simmons College, M.L.S., 1988. **ALA ACTIVITIES:** ALA Council, 2001-2004; ALA Conference Committee, chair, 2003-2004. Transition Team for ALA/APA, member, 2002-2003. ALA Presidential Task Force on Status of Librarians, chair, 2001-2002. ALA Presidential Task Force on Salaries, member, 2001-2003. 2002 Conference Planning Team, chair, 2000-2002. Congress on Professional Education, 2nd, Steering Committee, member, 2000-2001. 2001 Conference Planning Team, member, 1999-2001. Web Links Task Force, chair, 1999. OLPR Advisory Committee, member, 1996-1998. ALA COA External Review Panel, chair, 2003-2004. ALA COA External Review Panel, member (various), 1995-2002. ALA Select Committee to Hear Accreditation Appeal, chair, 1999-2000. H.W. Wilson Staff Development Grant Awards Panel, member, 1984. LAMA President, 1998-1999. LAMA Recognition of Achievement Committee, member, 1988-1992, 2001-2003. LAMA Strategic Planning Implementation Committee, 1999-2001. LAMA Strategic Planning Task Force, member, 1993-1994; chair, 1999. LAMA Orientation Committee, chair, 1995-1997. LAMA Committee on Government Affairs, 1986-1988. LAMA Nominating Committee, 1984. LAMA/LOMS Section Chair, 1994-1995. LAMA/LOMS Comparative Library Organization Committee, member, 1990-1991; chair, 1991-1993. LAMA/LOMS Nominating Committee, chair, 1989-1990. LAMA/LOMS Program Committee, member, 1988-1990. LAMA/LOMS Financial Management Committee, member, 1981-1987; acting chair, 1987-1988. LAMA/LOMS Business and Fiscal Officers Discussion Group, chair, 1991-1993. ACRL Personnel and Staff Development Officers Discussion Group, chair,

1982-1984. SRRT Action Council, member, 1992-1994, 1995-1998. SRRT Newsletter Editor, 1991-1994. SRRT Liaison to Literacy Assembly, 1995-1998.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Alliance for Higher Education Council of Library Directors Executive Committee, member, 1994-1995; chair, 1995-1997. Amigos Library Services Board of Trustees, member, 1999-2001; secretary, 2001-2002. IMLS National Leadership Grant Program Overview Panel, member, 2003-2004. IFLA Section on Management and Marketing Standing Committee, member, 1999-2001; information officer, 2001-2003. IFLA Discussion Group on Marketing in Academic Libraries, founder and co-chair, 2000-2003. Texas Council of State University Librarians Nominating Committee, chair, 1998. U.S. Department of Education, Library Programs, Reviewer for Title II-D Grant Program, 1989-1993. University of North Texas School of Library and Information Services Board of Advisors, member, 1993-2004; chair, 1999-2000.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Beta Phi Mu 1988.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: After forty-eight years of service in public and academic libraries, I retired, but I have returned to the profession as a full time faculty member in the library and information science program at the University of Arizona. My practioner experience was mostly at administrative levels in the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, the MIT Libraries, and the University of Texas Arlington Libraries. I have been a frequent conference speaker at state, national, and international conferences; a contributor to conference proceedings and edited volumes; a consultant on strategic planning in academic libraries and library consortia; and an adjunct faculty member at two library schools (1994-2004) teaching academic librarianship, library management, and human resource management. In 1997 I was selected to participate in the Senior Fellows Program at Long Island University. During my term on ALA Council, I was co-facilitator for ALA Council Caucus sessions.

ALA Member Since: 1975.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

ALA needs to improve its processes to move critical issues through the organization more quickly. It needs to address more effectively its responses to competitive forces from the commercial sector attempting to supplant the place of libraries in providing information content and services to communities. In doing these, it needs to continue aggressively to defend its traditions around intellectual freedom and social responsibility to foster the growth of well-informed citizens in an information-rich democratic society. In my current position in library education, I have become even more aware of the need to bring the next generation of librarians along and encourage their leadership development and to develop strong linkages between education and practice in the field of librarianship.

—TOM WILDING

102. J. LINDA WILLIAMS, Director, Library Media Services, Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

EDUCATION: Radford University, Radford, Virginia, B.S. Secondary Education, 1966; University of Maryland, College Park, MD., M.L.S., 1977; Bowie State University, Bowie,

MD., Administration & Supervision, Certification, 1988.

ALA ACTIVITIES: ALA COUNCIL: Member-at-large, 1984-1988, 1988-1992. ALA COMMITTEES: ALA Budget Analysis and Review Committee, member 2006-present; ALA Presidential Task Force on Graduated Dues, member 2006-present; ALA Membership Committee, Chair, 2002-2004; ALA Presidential Task Force on Status of Librarians, member 2001-2002; ALA Drewes, Liesener, Hornbeck Scholarship Committee, Jury Chair, 2001; ALA Policy Monitoring Committee, Chair 1989-1990, member, 1989-1991; ALA Committee on Organization, 1985-1989, 1991-1993; ALA/ NCATE Task Force, member, 1987; ALA Process Planning Committee, Roundtable representative, 1984-1986; Grolier Foundation Award Committee, member, 1984-1985; Reference Books Bulletin Editorial Board, member, 1982-1985. ALA DIVISIONS: AASL: President/President-elect 2004-2006; AASL Affiliate Assembly, Chair/Chair-Elect, 2002-2004; AASL Affiliate Assembly Representative, 1995-2005; AASL @Your Library Special Committee, 2002-2004; AASL Executive Board, Region II Director, 2000-2002, Director-Elect, 1998-2000; ICONnect Steering Committee, 1997-2002; ICONnect Committee, Kids Connect Subcommittee, member 1995-1997. LAMA: LITA/LAMA National Conference Evaluation Committee, 1995-1997; LAMA Program Planning Committee, Chair, 1995-1996, member 1993-1996; LAMA Board of Directors, 1990-1992; LAMA/PAS, Chair 1991-1992; LAMA/PAS/SDC, Chair, 1987-1989, member, 1986-1990; LAMA/PAS/SDC Publication subcommittee, Chair, 1986; LAMA/PAS/SDC Publications subcommittee, Chair, 1986-1987; LAMA/PAS/SDC Literature Review subcommittee, member, 1986-1987; LAMA/PAS/SDC Liaison to Library Education Assembly, 1986-1987; LAMA Membership Promotion Task Force, member, 1985-1986. ROUNDTABLES: Junior Members Roundtable (now New Members Roundtable) President/President-elect, 1982-1984; 3M/JMRT Professional Development Grant Selection Committee, member 1981-1983; JMRT Long Range Goals and Planning Committee, member 1981-1982; JMRT Orientation Program Committee, member, 1981-1982; JMRT Committee on Governance, Chair, 1980-1981; JMRT Midwinter Activities Committee, member, 1980-1981; JMRT Cognotes Newsletter Editor, 1979-1980; JMRT Cognotes Newsletter Co-editor, 1978-1979.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: STATE: Maryland Committee on Technology in Education, member 2000-2004; Maryland Governor's Advisory Committee on Libraries, 1998-present. Maryland Educational Media Organization (MEMO), President/President-Elect, 1996-2000; MEMO representative to AASL Affiliate Assembly, 1995-2005; MEMO Liaison to AECT, 1993-1997; MEMO Legislative Committee, member 1993-1999; MEMO Liaison to Maryland Library Association (MLA)/Children's Services Division (CSD), 1992-1994; Maryland Student Media Festival liaison, 1990-1995; MEMO Spring Conference Program Planning Committee, member 1985-1986. Maryland Library Association (MLA): Maryland Library Leadership Institute, mentor, 2002, 2005; Maryland Library Leadership Institute Taskforce, 1997-2003; MLA Legislative Committee, 1998-1999; MLA Staff Development panel/CSD,

1989-1990; MLA/MARLF (Mid-Atlantic Regional Library Federation) Conference Program Committee, Publicity Chair, 1983-1984; CRAB Newsletter staff, 1983-1985. Other: International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), Section on School Libraries and Resource Centers, member, 1999-2003; newsletter editor, 2001-2003. Rosen Advisory Board, member, 2004-present; SIRS/ProQuest Advisory Board 2000-present; Palinet Board of Trustees, member-at-large, 1999-2003.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Beta Phi Mu Honor Society, 1977; Technology Leadership Award, 2002; Governor's Citation, Total Quality Service, 1993; University of Maryland, College of Library and Information Services, Alumnus of the Year, 1988; 3M/JMRT Professional Development Grant, 1981.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: During the last 30 years I have served the library profession in two states and five different districts. I have been a building level library media specialists at both the elementary and high school levels. I became a consultant for the state of Maryland in Library Media Services and Educational Technology, which lead to a system level administrative position as Supervisor of Library Media and Instructional Materials and now in another school system as Director. During those years, I have actively participated in curriculum development and school improvement, ensuring that the library media program was a vital part of the instructional process and held to the same standards as other content area programs. I have also been an adjunct professor teaching Library Media Administration at both Towson University and the University of Maryland. During my professional career, I have participated and served on committees and in offices of local, state and national associations. I have presented at both library and non-library conferences of professional organizations.

ALA Member Since: 1977.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

A strong dynamic school library media program is essential to an educational program, which prepares students to be information literate and responsible citizens in an ever-changing global society. My professional concerns lie in this area. NCLB needs to be amended to include library media specialists as highly qualified educators. As we prepare for a future that changes daily we need to be aware of all library issues and be responsive and supportive of each other's efforts. This is a time of great challenge and opportunities for libraries and we need to stand together to meet those challenges. As a member-at-large, I would work to ensure that policy developed would consider the best interests of all our members. The strength of ALA is in its diverse and talented membership. We must seek ways to increase opportunities for participation by as many members as possible in all areas of our professional organization.

—J. LINDA WILLIAMS

103. LIANA H. ZHOU, Head of the Kinsey Institute Library, The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction.

EDUCATION: Sichuan University, B.A. in Philosophy, 1984. Indiana University, M.L.S., 1990.

ALA ACTIVITIES: Committee on Diversity/Diversity Council, member, 2006. ALA Nomination Committee, member, 2005.

OFFICES HELD IN STATE & REGIONAL LIBRARY & OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: President, Chinese American Librarians Association, 2001 and board member. Chinese American Librarians Association, 2003-2006. Steering Committee, Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, 2000-.

Awards and Scholarship Committee, Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, 2000-2006.

HONORS AND AWARDS: Distinguished Services Award, 2006, Chinese American Librarians Association.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: ALA and ALA Affiliate Activities: Member, ALA Nominating Committee, 2005; Member, ALA Diversity Council, 2006; President of CALA (Chinese American Librarians Association) 2001, and Board member of CALA, 2003-06. Awards: Distinguished Services Award, CALA, 2006. Acquisition Travel Grant, Indiana University, 2001. Grant-in-Aid, Indiana University, 1999. International Projects and Activities Grant, Indiana University, 1998. Harvard-Yenching Library Travel Grant, Harvard University, 1997. Selected Publications: Co-editor: *Bridging the Cultures: Chinese American Librarians and Their Organization: A Glance at the Thirty Years of CALA, 1973-2003*. Guilin, China: Guanxing Normal University, 2004. Author: "Characteristics of Material Organization and Classification in the Kinsey Institute Library." In *Historical Aspects of Cataloging and Classification*. Journal of Cataloging and Classification. Vol. 35, nos. 3/4, 2003.

ALA Member Since: 1990.

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am honored to be a candidate for ALA Councilor at-Large. As a member of the ALA Diversity Council and member of the Steering Committee of JCLC (Joint Conference of Librarians of Color) I have had unique opportunities working with many ALA offices and ALA members to organize a historical conference that promotes and advances understanding and appreciating a wide range of diversity issues: from equity of information access, to cultural and workplace diversities. As a past president and current board member of CALA (Chinese American Libraries Association,) I worked with ALA, AILA, REFORMA, APALA, BCALA on topics such as leadership, mentoring, and recruitment. I am a firm believer of working together to effect a change that is beneficial to organization and its members. If elected, I pledge my services to this great association in advancing its core values for all types of libraries and the diverse communities they serve. —LIANA H. ZHOU

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