

## **ALISE News**

## **Greetings from President Smith**

Linda Smith, ALISE President 2009-10

Members work on behalf of ALISE throughout the year. The Conference Program Planning Committee is now engaged in reviewing submissions of juried papers and program proposals as we develop the program for our conference on "Creating a Culture of Collaboration" to be held in Boston January 12-15, 2010. Calls for the Doctoral Poster Session and Work-in-Progress Poster Session are still forthcoming, so watch for those additional opportunities to participate.

ALISE had a strong presence at the recently American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago. Several member schools collaborated on staffing the ALISE booth that anchored the LIS Education Pavilion area of the exhibit hall. In addition to raising the visibility of ALISE, this shared booth gives faculty and staff from participating member schools an opportunity to connect with both prospective students and alumni. This was the fifth year for the ALISE booth. The ALISE-sponsored Cooperative Library and Information Studies Alumni Reunion is a much older collaborative effort of ALISE institutional members at each annual ALA conference.

Among the many meetings that I attended at the ALA conference was a meeting of the LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) Reauthorization Subcommittee of the ALA Committee on Legislation. As the ALISE representative, my service on this committee provides an opportunity to advocate for continuing funding of the IMLS 21st Century Librarian Grant program which has benefited many of our institutional members since the first awards were made in 2003.

Another connection to ALA of possible interest to ALISE members, especially those with a particular interest in the history of LIS education, is the inclusion of the archives of the Association of American Library Schools/Association for Library and Information Science Education together with the ALA Archives at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. A record of holdings can be found online at: <a href="http://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/ala/holdings/index.php?p=collections/classifications&id=3766">http://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/ala/holdings/index.php?p=collections/classifications&id=3766</a>. One project of the Board working with ALISE Headquarters this year is to develop a records retention policy to ensure the ongoing development of this archival collection.

While the Board regularly conducts business during the summer months through conference calls, we have decided to experiment by making our regular two-day fall Board meeting in September a virtual meeting as well. We are mindful of the need to reduce expenses where possible and we hope to demonstrate that a virtual meeting can be a cost-effective alternative to all traveling to Chicago for a face-to-face meeting. Many of us regularly teach online (for example, I have taught online since 1997), so this is an effort to extend that virtual collaboration to our professional service roles as well.

In the Spring 2009 ALISE News, I noted that one priority for the Board this year is

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working to build closer collaborations with other professional associations and with LIS education colleagues internationally. Discussions are under way with the IFLA Education and Training Section and EUCLID (European Association for Library & Information Education and Research) on a proposed satellite meeting prior to the 2010 IFLA conference to be held 10-15 August 2010 in Gothenburg, Sweden. In the meantime I hope you will be making plans to join us in Boston in January for the 2010 ALISE Annual Conference.

Linda C. Smith

## 2010 ALISE Election webpage

The 2010 ALISE Election webpage is now up on <u>ALISE.org</u>. You will find each candidate's biography and statement.

This year's slate includes:

Vice President/President-Elect:

Tula Giannini (Pratt)

Lynne Howarth (Toronto)

**Director for Member Services:** 

Denice Adkins (Missouri)

Ann Weeks (Maryland)

Ballots will be mailed to membership on October 1, 2009.

T find all of the ALISE Election information go to

http://www.alise.org/mc/page.do?sitePageId=89007

The Board expresses its appreciation for their excellent work to the members of the Nominating Committee: Don Latham, Chair (Florida State); Dan Fuller (San Jose); Valerie Nesset (Buffalo); Lynne McKechnie (Western Ontario); Linda Most (Florida State); and Peiling Wang (Tennesee).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact, <a href="mailto:contact@alise.org">contact@alise.org</a>



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# Four Year \$950,000 Grant Funds Ph.D. Fellowships in Archival Science

#### Archival Education and Research Institutes Launch at UCLA July 6-11

A four-year \$950,000 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded to UCLA's Center for Information as Evidence (CIE), within the Department of Information Studies at UCLA's Graduate School of Education & Information Studies (GSE&IS), to build the field of Archival Studies and expand its diversity through the development of cohorts of outstanding scholars, will support a series of Fellowships to doctoral students starting in the Fall of 2009. The doctoral fellowships offer four years of funding to recipients to undertake a doctoral degree specializing in Archival Science at one of eight participating institutions that are partnering in the grant and matching IMLS Fellowship funding.

"Archival Science is one of the fastest growing areas of research and practice within the information professions. This initiative provides us with an unparalleled opportunity to convene and build a cohort of educators and researchers in the United States and around the globe that is equipped to lead and re-conceptualize the field in the Twenty-first Century as it grapples with enduring and emergent issues such as those related to digital record-keeping, preservation, and access; community and institutional memory; human rights; and globalization," stated UCLA Professor Anne Gilliland, Principal Investigator of the project and Chair of the Department of Information Studies at UCLA's GSE&IS.

This year's Fellowship recipients are Joanna Steele, who will pursue her Ph.D. at the School of Information at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Michelle Caswell will attend the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and David Kim, will attend the Department of Information Studies at UCLA.

The grant will also support four annual Archival Education and Research Institutes (AERI), the first of which was held at UCLA July 6-11, 2009, and was attended by more than 75 faculty members and doctoral students in Archival Science from programs across North America as well as Europe, Australia and Asia.

The grant *Building the Future of Archival Education and Research,* by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), was awarded to UCLA in 2008 as part of its *Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program.* Principal Investigator Anne Gilliland, Professor and Chair of the Department of Information Studies and Director of CIE, and Co-Principal Investigator Professor Elizabeth Yakel of the School of Information at the University of Michigan, oversee the project.

In addition to the Department of Information Studies at UCLA and the School of Information at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, the other partnering institutions include the College of Information Studies, University of Maryland; School of Information and Library Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; School of Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh; School of Information, University of Texas at Austin; Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College; and the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

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# US Learning 2.0 Researcher Michael Stephens Appointed 2009 Caval Visiting Scholar

Internationally recognized US Web 2.0 commentator, writer and library academic, Dr. Michael Stephens, has been appointed the 2009 CAVAL Visiting Scholar.

In a world first for CAVAL and its project partners City Libraries Townsville and Dominican University Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Dr Stephens' research project will seek to measure the value and effect of Learning 2.0 programs in Australian libraries.

"The intent of this study is to understand the impact on library staff and institutional culture and makeup after a Learning 2.0 program," Dr. Stephens says. "The critical questions for libraries looking forward are to what extent has Learning 2.0 impacted institutional culture and staff confidence, and to what degree has it improved the ability of library staff to use emerging technologies?"

Dr. Stephens notes that "More than 500 libraries in 15 countries have implemented Learning 2.0 programs in 2 years but we know very little about their effectiveness."

"Nearly 10% of these Learning 2.0 programs are Australian, ranging from large State and University libraries through to public and special libraries and a small school library in New South Wales."

First developed by the Public Library of Charlotte Mecklenburg County under a Creative Commons license in 2006, Learning 2.0 is an online learning program that encourages library staff to explore and learn about emerging Web 2.0 technologies. Web 2.0, also called the Read/Write Web or Social Computing, enables users of all ages and walks of life to create, change and publish their own Web content. Blogs and social networking sites such as MySpace and Facebook are common examples.

Working with a co-researcher from CityLibraries Townsville, Dr Stephens' research aims to develop a world first model for what he terms "an exemplary Learning 2.0 program for Australian libraries."

For Dr. Stephens' acclaimed Tame the Web blog, visit <a href="http://tametheweb.com/">http://tametheweb.com/</a>

For more information about the original Learning 2.0 program, visit <a href="http://plcmcl2-about.blogspot.com/">http://plcmcl2-about.blogspot.com/</a>

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## **SLIS emeritus Alphonse F. Trezza dies**

Professor-emeritus Alphonse F. Trezza, noted leader, educator and author, passed away July 15 in Tallahassee.

Professor Trezza, who taught at The Florida State University's School of Library and Information Studies from 1982 to 1993, held positions as director of the Catholic Library Association, associate director of the American Library Association, director of the National Commission for Library and Information Science, and as a staff member of the Library of Congress. The Trezza Conference Room in FSU's Louis Shores Building is named in his honor. He received the American Library Association's highest honor when he was inducted as an Honorary Member at its annual conference in 2007.

#### **Three UT Professors Garner \$1.6 Million in IMLS Grants**

Three professors at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, have won \$1.6 million in grants that will be used to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians and faculty members, to improve library technology and to enhance the technological expertise of regional library leaders.

Associate Professor and Assistant Director Suzie Allard and Assistant Professors Bharat Mehra and Vandana Singh received the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grants from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), which will be paid over the next four years.

UT is in elite company because only one other university in the nation — the University of Maryland – garnered as many IMLS awards this year, SIS Director Edwin Cortez said. He credits this, in part, to the tremendous support provided by the college's Center for Information and Communication Studies, headed by SIS Professor Carol Tenopir. UT SIS, he said, is increasingly identified as a leader in library and information science education at both the masters and PhD level as evidenced by two of the three grants.

"The quality, creativity, and capacity of our faculty to address real-world needs are remarkable," Cortez said. "I am more than pleased to work with an exceptional faculty who continuously measure the pulse of information needs of various communities and then find solutions to address gaps in information literacy, education and technology."

All of the UT faculty involved in the grants are ALISE members and many have published in *JELIS* and served on ALISE committees. Dr. Allard, who helped create the ALISE Academy program, is chairing the Professional Contribution to LIS Education committee, while Dr. Tenopir is the Chair of the Publications Committee. Dr. Mehra has been active in ALISE in a variety of ways.

The three projects funded are:

ScienceLinks<sup>2</sup> PhD, awarded \$711,727

Improving Rural librarians' technology literacy, awarded \$567,660

Improve library technology, awarded \$321,178

# Guidelines Announced for Bank of America/ IMLS American Heritage Preservation Program

Deadline-Tuesday, September 15

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Bank of America Charitable Foundation are pleased to announce the 2010 guidelines for the American Heritage Preservation Program. This public-private partnership will fund the preservation of endangered and fragile art works, rare books, scientific specimens, and historical documents (photographs, maps, deeds, etc.) held in small and medium-sized museums, archives, and libraries. To access application guidelines instructions, please visit <a href="https://www.imls.gov/collections/grants/boa.htm">www.imls.gov/collections/grants/boa.htm</a>.

"It is through the preservation and care of our collective heritage that America's communities stay vital," said Anne-Imelda Radice, Director of IMLS. "These grants are intended to assist institutions, as our nation's stewards of cultural collections, with activities that ensure the safekeeping and care of these precious artifacts and with sharing the impact of these activities with their communities." The grants of up to \$3,000 are aimed at completing stand-alone conservation projects that convey the essential character and experience of the United States. Examples of fundable projects are provided in the grant guidelines.

questions about museum projects, please contact Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, at 202-653-4674 to discuss your questions. For questions about library or archival projects, please contact Kevin Cherry, Senior Program Officer, at 202-653-4662.

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### ALISE very present at ALA

## Submitted by: Denyse K. Sturges, Librarian, University of North Dakota and Doctoral Student, University of Missouri

ALISE members were present and very visible at the recent ALA annual conference. I posted an informal inquiry to the JESSE listserv and received several replies from people who would be participating in some way at the annual conference. Below is a synopsis of the posts I received or the sessions I attended. As a library practitioner and doctoral student, I find it very satisfying to see our educators actively involved with their current and former students in this venue. This was an informal survey; it is not complete by any means. Only ALISE members in the online directory are listed. (I hope someone will report back on ALISE involvement at ASIST this fall.

Heather Hill (Western Ontario), Linda Most (Florida State/Valdosta), Lynn Westbrook (UTAustin), Maria Gonzalez (Wayne State), Kate McDowell (Illinois) and Valerie M. Nesset (Buffalo) presented research findings at sessions sponsored by the Library Research Round Table (LRRT). Library History Round Table (LHRT) held a session on Youth Services Librarianship's History, including a panel of five scholars presenting research and responding: Kate McDowell (Illinois), Ellen Pozzi (Rutgers), Jennifer Burek-Pierce (Iowa) and Cindy Welch (Tennessee) presented; Christine Jenkins (Illinois) responded.

LHRT also sponsored a panel of presenters and commentator on the topic New Perspectives on American Library History. ALISE members: Christine Pawley (UWMadison) and Wayne Wiegand (Florida State). Jim Carmichael (UNC Greensboro) commented.

Sylvia D. Hall-Ellis (Denver) spoke at ALA sessions for the sixth year in a row.

Scott Nicholson (Syracuse), founder and chair of the Games and Gaming Members Initiative Group, was involved in their three very popular events on gaming in libraries, culminating with a moderated panel Saturday morning presented to an overflow crowd.

Chris LeBeau (Missouri) was one of four people presenting at the preconference "MBA in a Day."

ALISE members Peter Hernon (Simmons) and Penny Beile (U Central Florida) presented at the standing room only panel session: "Librarian/Scholar: From Research Question to Results."

Marianne Martens (Rutgers) moderated a panel on "The process of bringing international children's books to the U.S."

Allyson Carlyle (Washington) gave a short talk at the ALA Member Pavilion on Resource Description and Access (RDA).

"Leaders Wanted: LIS Doctoral Program Options Fair" included panel speakers. The ALISE members were Loriene Roy (UTAustin) and Nicole Cooke (Montclair State U/Rutgers). Several LIS doctoral program schools were involved.

Many ALISE members are involved in the governance of ALA, including Susan Roman (Dominican). Beverly P. Lynch (UCLA) presented or moderated at several sessions and received the Joseph W. Lippincott Award.

ALISE members staffed the ALISE booth in the exhibit hall, including Lorna Peterson (Buffalo) and James Andrews (South Florida).



## **Executive Director, Kathleen Combs Says...**



Dear ALISE Members,

Before you know it the 2010 ALISE Annual Conference in Boston will be upon us. If you haven't started planning for this event, here are some highlights:

The conference theme, **Creating a Culture of Collaboration**, is the perfect focus for a conference being hosting in the time we live in. As was stated in the call for participation "Collaborations are needed to address large societal issues. Collaborations are necessary to accomplish goals

and objectives given budget cuts. Collaborations are easier to establish with communication technologies. The conference theme of collaboration refers to collaboration broadly and encompasses the entire process of collaboration." Doesn't this fit with your organization, your career, your life?

Keynote Speaker, **Thomas Malone**, Patrick J. McGovern Professor of Management, MIT Sloan School of Management, has been a visionary proponent of new organizational designs that take maximum advantage of information technology's expanding possibilities. He is the author of *The Future of Work*, a landmark exploration of the company of the future.

**Programming:** The Conference Program Planning Committee is hard at work planning for juried papers, juried programs, the ALISE Academy, SIG programming, doctoral posters, works-in-progress poster sessions and much more. The programming being set will be worth the trip.

**Boston**: What a great place to host a conference. Boston is a melting pot of great food, great art, great culture, great history and great COLLABORATION. Even with quality programming there is always time for a bit of Boston.

**The Hotel**: This year ALISE was able to secure great rooms rates at the renowned Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Tower. You will surely enjoy the luxury of this classic hotel right in the heart of Boston.

So come join us in Boston. Enjoy our wonderful keynote speaker, learn from and expand your knowledge with our programming, take in the "Culture" of Boston, all while "Collaborating" with your peers at ALISE 2010. The theme alone makes you want to join us just to see what you will learn, hear, and experience.

Registration opens October 1, 2009. Check out alise.org for hotel room rates, registration rates, and more information about ALISE 2010.

If you have any questions about the 2010 Annual Conference or any services from ALISE, please feel free to contact headquarters at: 312/795-0996 or <a href="mailto:contact@alise.org">contact@alise.org</a>.

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