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The Gift that Keeps on Giving: Scholarships at SLIS

Most of you reading this short piece spent at least five years at university and at least one of those years was spent here at SLIS. And most of you, I’d wager, received some sort of scholarship and/or fellowship, however modest, at some point in your student days to help you on your way. Who knows, a few of you might not have been able to complete your studies without such support. I wonder, too, how many of you could recall the names attached to those financial lifelines or, indeed, conjure up the faces behind the awards. Coffin, Egloff, Grumling, and Rufsvold are just some of the named fellowships that we have in our endowment. Have you ever wondered why these donors felt impelled to endow a scholarship or prize? I suspect—actually, I know—that more than a few of those good souls who have given gifts to the school did so precisely because they themselves had been touched by the generosity of others.

As you might expect, I’m going to invoke the Golden Rule: “Do unto others as you would have done unto yourself.” Of course, as with so many exhortations to ethical nobility, it’s easy to intone but difficult to enact: a sluggish economy, an unexpected illness, redundancy … There are a hundred and one good reasons why the time is not quite right. And there’ll be a hundred and one equally compelling reasons next year. And the year after that. But the longer you wait, the greater the chance that someone who would have followed in your professional footsteps may have to drop out of school temporarily or abandon the dream altogether.

Contrary to what you might think, some of our donors have not been especially well off, yet they managed to make a bequest during their lifetimes or put in place arrangements for a deferred gift. For the record, it doesn’t have to be cash-in-hand or a check; over the years the University has received a wide variety of gifts, from real estate to art works, and these can usually be monetized. So, if you have a vintage Ferrari cluttering up your garage, or a Warhol that you would rather live without, just imagine how either of these could be used to help transform the lives of future generations of SLIS students. As you’ll see from the testimonials in this issue of the Newsletter, your generosity can and does make a real difference.

Unfortunately, the SLIS endowment is small, albeit growing, and our ability to fund students is accordingly limited. That, of course, is understandable; schools such as ours do not attract the six, seven and eight figure sums that schools of law, business, and medicine do with seeming ease and regularity. You probably didn’t come to SLIS with the intention of getting rich, but richness of spirit matters as much as the size of one’s bank account. As you can see from the vignettes in these pages, a little can often go a long way.

This issue also spotlights the academic achievements of our masters and doctoral students, as well as the publication and speaking activities of our faculty. As you glance through these sections of the magazine, I hope that you can get a sense of the dynamic and productive people that make up our School.
Alumni Board Letter, Jerome Conley

Scholarship and Internationalism: The Global Community

It’s amazing to think about how our technological landscape has changed throughout the past decade. The methods and speed with which we can access information and communicate away are astounding. When I started my graduate studies at Indiana University in the late eighties, the technological leaps and bounds were unimaginable. Now, I can’t imagine going a day without the internet, e-mail, reading blogs or etc.

With these changes in technology and the onslaught of Web 2.0 come transitions in the ways in which libraries are able to provide basic, as well as new and exciting services to our users. This new technology has also allowed us to make progress in our ability to interact with those all around the world. We hear about a “global community” every day. At no other time in our history have we been afforded the opportunity to communicate and share ideas with individuals across the globe. This opportunity granted to us is tremendous because to successfully better ourselves, our communities, and our profession, we need to attract faculty, staff and students with different life experiences and points of view than our own. I am proud to share that the current university administration understands the importance of this model and has embraced it.

In keeping with the spirit the administration has infused into the university, we must attract library school students and faculty around the world to our program who are the brightest and most forward in their thinking. They must possess a spirit of service and scholarship that will build upon the foundation of former SLIS alumni and current and former faculty members. However, it is also imperative for the SLIS program and its alumni to understand that in order to recruit these top students and faculty members we cannot be totally dependent on the state to fund these programs; it will require external support. It is no longer feasible for us to be isolated from the rest of the world when it comes to filling our jobs or classes. Invaluable perspectives and knowledge will be added to our libraries through an increased interaction with and recruitment of those in our global community.

In closing, I would like to end my inaugural column with a tribute to our former president, Keith Kuhn. As you may know, Keith passed away earlier this year after a brief illness. His death is a tremendous loss to the library profession, Indiana University and SLIS. Keith’s passion and love for Indiana University were infectious. He not only volunteered his talents and time to SLIS and IU, but he also understood the importance of giving back financially to an institution that gave so much to him over the years. I will miss our attempts to solve everything wrong with the library profession during our drives from Southwest Ohio to Bloomington for our Board meetings as well as his sage advice and counsel. However, I will miss his friendship and brotherhood most of all... Thanks Keith, we are all luckier to have known you.
Alumni Q&A: Lorelle Swader, Alumni Board Member

SLIS Alumni Board member Lorelle Swader, who earned a MLS degree from SLIS in 1986, works as the Director in the Office for Human Resources Development and Recruitment at the American Library Association (ALA).

Could you tell us about your current position? What do you like most about it?

I currently direct the ALA Office for Human Resource Development and Recruitment (HRDR). We assist library staff with their career development needs, while assisting library organizations with their organizational development needs. Our mission revolves around three main areas: education (or lifelong learning), recruitment (of a diverse workforce) and the establishment of best practices in human resource management. Some of our major projects are management of the ALA Placement Center, the ALA General Scholarship Program, Emerging Leaders program and the Empowerment Conference (for Library Support Staff).

In my job I use a variety of skill sets and interact with several member groups. What I like most is the variety of projects and working with people.

I am also an adjunct professor with Dominican University Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS).

What's it like working for ALA?

Although working at ALA can be challenging and intense, it is also very exciting being at the forefront of activities that have such a major impact on our profession at large. I never get bored and am constantly learning new things.

What do you find most challenging about your job? The most rewarding?

What is most challenging is juggling all of the multiple projects. After almost 17 years in the organization, I find there are things I still don’t know about my job (because things are always changing). At the same time, this is also the most rewarding part because I am constantly learning and it never gets “old”.

Do you have any advice for other alumni who may be thinking of a career at ALA?

Yes - recognize that it is not a “library”. It can be very intense for some, because they expect it to be and operate like a traditional library setting. If you know and understand this going in, you will stay focused on the “big picture”. You will know that at the end of the day, all you do will go toward the overall effort of the improvement of the quality of life in libraries. It is a great place to work.

Which SLIS course(s) have you found to be the most valuable in your professional life?

I have to say that my electives proved to be the most beneficial overall. In particular, my Special Libraries class with Herb White (who was also my advisor) and my Law Library class with Linda Fariss and Keith Buckley. Both of these prepared me well for the realities of my earlier career as a law librarian. One of my most valuable experiences was my practicum at the Marion County Law Library. A couple of weeks after graduation it was where I got my very first professional job and I still use skills that I gained there even today.

Was there anyone at SLIS who acted like a mentor to you?

There was not just one in particular. I took many things from several of my professors. In addition to those mentioned above, I learned a great deal from Dr. David Kaser. It was in his course, the “History of the Book,” I learned about the principles of intellectual freedom and so much more.

My true mentors were my supervisors in the Halls of Residence Libraries: Emily Okada, Mary Popp, Wilma Dulin and Steve Moffat. Steve was my supervisor who was a SLIS student when I was an undergrad working in the dorm libraries. A few weeks before my graduation with no known prospects, he took me to the SLIS offices and introduced me to the director of Admissions, Barbara Dewey and well, the rest is history…. He gave new meaning to the phrase “Each one, reach one.......” I don’t know that I really knew what SLIS was before that. I owe him a lot.
SLIS Alumni Bill Crowe Gives the 2008 Kaser Lecture


Dr. Crowe was also the 2004 recipient of the SLIS distinguished alumni award. He took time out of his busy schedule to grant us an interview and, as we talked, he called attention to what both he and his late wife (Nancy P. Sanders, PhD 1982), “owe to IU and SLIS, and to ‘Dr K,’ in particular”.

Can you tell us about some of the things you learned while at SLIS that you found to be valuable in your professional life? How did your experience at IU contribute to your development?

The exposure to several faculty, especially to David Kaser, but also to such great lights as Herb White, made me and Nancy much more acutely aware of the power of disciplined inquiry. As important a lesson, however, was their instilling in us the potential for delight in the development of questions and the quest for evidence. In short, they confirmed for us the central importance of research to the future vitality of our profession. There were to be no short cuts to seeking out the best evidence and no turning away from dispassionate (but NOT joyless) analysis and clear and open communication of our findings. The company of students of the day—I think of Peter Hernon, John Richardson, Jinnie Davis, Larry Hardesty, and so many others—also affirmed for us that the best elements of our profession arise out of collaboration and sharing . . . and, again, the ability to have some fun along the way.

What were some of the most important lessons you learned from Dr. Kaser? How did his mentorship help you and Nancy?

Dr. Kaser (neither Nancy nor I could ever contemplate addressing him otherwise!) was the best of mentors because he taught and showed support for his students in every aspect of his being. It may seem clichéd to say that he mentored us by example, but that is the only way I can describe him. His genuineness shone through always. He was demanding of all of us, with a patience that—in retrospect—takes me aback. Whenever Nancy and I compared notes about our interactions with Dr Kaser we almost always could cite similar examples of his somehow getting us to “go back to square one,” to retrace our steps in some assignment, without at the same time leaving us feeling inadequate or defeated. He managed to keep us focused on the learning, not on the ego. So it was with him—always. As we moved on from SLIS, I know that both of us sought always to emulate Dr Kaser in this balance of commitment to work of high quality with a passionate commitment to nurturing others.

How did you decide on the topic for your Kaser Lecture? What would you like the audience to take away from it?

The topic is one that allows me to revisit Verner W. Clapp, whose work in the preservation of library materials was the subject of my dissertation, directed by Dr. Kaser. In my coming retirement I plan to devote a good bit of time to expanding and updating my inquiry into Clapp’s life, which is known by this generation—if it is known as all—by Nicholson Baker’s caricature of him, in his book Double Fold: Libraries and the Assault on Paper (2001). This occasion gives me a head start in looking into one of Clapp’s most important topics—the future of the type of library with which he was most familiar—which he addressed at the peak of his powers. I look to this sympathetic audience to pause to consider the continuing value of our understanding something about the history of libraries, not out of sentimentality or nostalgia, but out of curiosity to understand the sources/origins of much of what we see about us today . . . and to get a better sense of the capacities of leadership to effect change. In this effort, I hope to emulate some—
thing of Dr Kaser’s own passion for library history.

During your career, you have made many transitions, both in terms of geography and library settings (particularly your move from public to academic). Do you have any advice for librarians and other alumni about making successful transitions and building a fulfilling career?

My time in public libraries was of course very, very brief; and it was in one of the two public libraries to hold continuing membership in the Association of Research Libraries. This suggests that my interests were and still are focused on libraries specifically charged with engaging scholars and students--in the broadest sense. My exposure to librarians in other sectors--perhaps especially in public and school libraries--has been constant over the years. It may be dangerously close to patronizing them, but I can assert that among the most talented and innovative librarians I have come to know are based in these often poorly supported organizations.

Nancy and I always agreed that if we could do anything over in our careers it might have been to step out of the “big library” box a bit at some point, just to be sure that we were not missing something. The channels into which we fell never allowed us to do so, but we each spent a good bit of our careers working with and learning from our colleagues beyond research libraries. That our daughter-—whose original career trajectory was to become a herpetologist—came to choose librarianship (and is now happily working at the University of Denver Libraries) suggests that we showed something about our career choice that gave some promise about how rewarding such a career can be. My advice to the rising generation is what Dr Kaser always attempted to teach: never stop asking questions, never stop seeking evidence, never stop sifting and winnowing that evidence to seek improvement in what we do and how we do it... AND never fail to appreciate the many, many human connections one can make along the way.

Is there anything you would like to add, about your experience at IU, your career, or anything else?

IU was and is a magical place for me and was for Nancy, too. In part, of course, that sentiment reflects something of our time of life and the joy of finding each other in Bloomington.

But IU’s magic was as much about the kind of community we encountered—in SLIS, in the IU Libraries, and in town. IU was my introduction to the Midwest, after all—to people who smiled (and who even invited newcomers home for dinner) to faculty who always seemed to have time for a student, and to a band of students who saw promise in each other and supported each other.

We encourage you to read additional stories about the 2008 Kaser Lecture and Dr. Bill Crowe at:


Marshall Shore named a Library Journal Mover & Shaker

SLIS Alumnus Marshall Shore (MLS 1992), Adult Services Coordinator at the Maricopa County Library District in Phoenix, was named to Library Journal’s 2008 list of the top 50 Movers and Shakers. He was named to the list in part because of his decision to use the Book Industry Standards and Communications organizational scheme to organize the Perry Branch. According to Shore, the idea was “to create a library-ized customer-welcoming retail model that would fulfill customers’ needs.” This decision proved to be controversial and Shore was surprised by the reaction, saying that he “was completely taken off guard by the number of the personal attacks, but at the same time I was receiving personal emails from across the country that cheered me on.”

Upon being informed that he had been named to the list, he told us that he “was thrilled to be recognized as one of the 50 2008 Movers and Shakers and be featured on the supplement’s cover. The recognition is also for the system and team members who were willing to take a risk and encourage thinking outside the box with focused efforts to improve the customer experience.”

Shore enjoys the variety of activities that make up his job: building layout; collection development; programming. He says that the most challenging part of his job is dealing with the diversity of communities that his library district serves, from upscale suburbanites to migrant farm workers; Maricopa County is the fastest growing and the 14th largest county in the nation. Throughout his career, Shore has been active in reaching out to diverse communities seeking to find the best ways to serve them, as noted in his profile “The Man Who Said No to Dewey,” in the March 15, 2008, Library Journal supplement (the URL for the online version is below).

- Movers and Shakers Profile: http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6535071.html?q=marshall+shore
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**Katy Borner,** Victor H. Yngve Associate Professor and Director of the Cyberinfrastructure for Network Science Center and Information Visualization Lab, is co-principal investigator on a 1.2 million dollar grant from the National Institutes of Health for Epidemics for the Cyberinfrastructure (EpiC) project. She was a co-organizer of two National Science Foundation sponsored workshops, the first on Knowledge Management and Visualization Tools in Support of Discovery held in Arlington, Virginia and the second the Second NSF Workshop on Knowledge Management and Visualization Tools in Support of Discovery, held in New York City. She gave three talks in support of her “Places & Spaces: Mapping Science” installation at the American Museum of Science & Energy, Tennessee, at the Virtual Knowledge Studio, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and at the US–China workshop, “Designing cyberinfrastructure to enable US–China collaboration in tobacco research,” Beijing, China. She also gave talks on mapping and studying science, science policy and cyberinfrastructure at the Interdisciplinary Seminar of the Heraeus Foundation, Bad Honnef, Germany, the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer Institute in Washington, D.C., the National Evolutionary Synthesis Center at Duke University, and the 28th Annual Conference of the Center for Nonlinear Studies at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**Blaise Cronin,** Dean of the School of Library and Information Science and Rudy Professor of Information Science, published “The shifting balance of intellectual trade in information studies” in the February issue of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, 59(4) (with Lokman Meho), “On the epistemic significance of place” in the March issue of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, 59(6), and a book chapter, “Eros unbound: Pornography and the Internet” in *The Internet and American Business*, edited by Aspray and Ceruzzi. He gave a talk, “Acknowledged but ignored: What the paratext can tell us about the epistemic significance of collegiate ties,” at the University of Brighton, UK in February and a keynote address “Toward a Rhopography of Scholarly Communication” at USE-2008: From Information Provision to Knowledge Production at the University of Oulu, Finland in June. He was appointed Editor in Chief of *JASIST* in June. He was appointed the Chair of the IU Herman B Wells Presidential Professorship Selection Committee, and he also published a collection of essays, *Bloomington Gaze: Yet More Town and Gown in Middle America*.

**Ron Day,** associate professor, taught a course, “The Cultural, Social, and Theoretical Foundations of Knowledge Management” in Tallinn, Estonia in May as a part of the European Commission’s Erasmus Mundus program’s Digital Library Learning (DILL) masters degree program.

**Hamid Ekbia,** associate professor, published a book in April, *Artificial Dreams: The Quest for Non-Biological Intelligence*, with Cambridge University Press. He also published “The quality of evidence in knowledge management research: Practitioner versus scholarly literature” in the *Journal of Information Science*, 34(1), in February (with Noriko Hara) and “Not All Roads Lead to Resilience: a Complex Systems Approach to the Comparative Analysis of Tortoises in Arid Ecosystems” in *Ecology and Society*, 13(1), in February (with T.E Leuteritz). He gave three talks on agent-based modeling and decision support systems at the Desert Tortoise Project, University of Redlands, California in February, at the Business GIS Summit in Chicago, Illinois in April and at the 2nd Knowledge Repository Workshop on Spatial Decision Support Systems at The Redlands Institute in May. He chaired a panel on the “Geographies of Information Society” at the Association of American Geographers Annual Conference in Boston in May. Ekbia also taught a workshop on “Agent-Based Modeling,” for the Master’s GIS Program at the University of Redlands in May.

**Noriko Hara,** associate professor, received tenure and was promoted to rank of associate professor in May. She presented a paper “The Internet and election campaigns: Evidence from the U.S. and Korea” at the Midwestern Political Science Association Annual National Conference in Chicago, Illinois in April (with Y. Jo). She presented a paper “Collaborative Mass Knowledge Production Online: Cross-cultural comparison of variation in the communities of Wikipedians” at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science in Rotterdam, the Netherlands in
August. She co-organized a panel “Wiki a la carte: Understanding participation behaviors” at the 70th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science & Technology in Columbus, Ohio in October with Pnina Shachaf, Eva Callahan, Susan Herring, B. Stivlia, and Paul Solomon.

Susan Herring, professor, published “Implications of gender consciousness for students in information technology” in Women’s Studies, 37(3), in January (J.A. Marken). She presented two papers “Arabic and English news coverage on Aljazeera.net” (with M. Abdul Mageed) and “Gender differences in personal advertisements in Lithuanian iTV SMS” (with A. Zelenkauskaite) at Cultural Attitudes Towards Technology and Communication 2008 in Murdoch, Australia in March. She gave a talk “Text Chat in a Multiplayer Online Game” at Microsoft Research in Redmond, Washington and at the University of Washington in Seattle in May (with John Paolillo). She was appointed editor in chief of the online journal Language@Internet in January.

Lokman Meho, associate professor, received tenure and was promoted to rank of associate professor in May. He will also be the new MLS program supervisor upon the retirement of Tom Nisonger. He published “The shifting balance of intellectual trade in information studies” in the February issue of the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology, 59(4), (with Blaise Cronin, 1st author), “Citation counting, citation ranking, and h-index of human-computer interaction researchers: A comparison between Scopus and Web of Science” in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (with Yvonne Rogers), 59(11), and “MPACT and citation impact: Two sides of the same scholarly coin?” in Library & Information Science Research (with C.R. Sugimoto (1st author), T.G. Russell, and Gary Marchionini). He also assisted two of his students in publishing their final papers in Reference & User Services Quarterly and African Research and Documentation.


John Paolillo, associate professor, presented a paper “Longitudinal social network relations in an online multiplayer game” at the International Network for Social Network Analysis Sunbelt XXVIII Conference, St. Pete Beach, Florida in January. He gave a talk “Text Chat in a Multiplayer Online Game” at Microsoft Research in Redmond, Washington and at the University of Washington in Seattle in May (with Susan Herring).

Alice Robbin, associate professor, delivered an invited keynote address at the “ICTs and Society Network Launch Meeting” at the University of Sanzburg, Austria in June. She also gave a research seminar presentation “Information & Communication Behavior at a Political Moment: The Iraq War, March 2003” at the University de la Marne, France in June.

Howard Rosenbaum, Associate Dean and associate professor, published “Revising the conceptualization of computer movements” in The Information Society (with Noriko Hara, 1st author) and “Social Informatics” in the Encyclopedia of Library and Information Science. He presented “iSchools: Mice Roaring or the Future is New Arriving?” at the iConference 2008: iFutures: Systems, Selves, Society at UCLA in Los Angeles, California in February (with Steve Sawyer, 1st author) and “Theorizing community informatics: Memory practices in online communities” (with Elizabeth Davenport). He was a panelist in “CHI, ICIS, SIGIR and Numerous Other Outlets That Won’t Accept My Work: The Perils of Publishing Multidisciplinary Research?” and was a mentor in the NSF-sponsored Doctoral Colloquium and Junior Faculty Mentoring program. He gave an invited keynote “Web 2.0, 3.0: After the thrill is gone” at the Faculty Summer institute at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, in May. He was appointed to the Editorial Review Board for a special issue of Electronic Commerce Research and Applications on “Social networking and Web 2.0.” He is track co-chair for the “Social Aspects of Information Technology” at the Association for Information Systems’ America’s Conference for Information Systems (AMCIS) (with Laurance Brooks and Roman Brandtweiner) and co-chair of the minitrack “Social Theory in Information Systems Research” (with Pnina Shachaf).

(with Shannon Oltmann and S. Horowitz) in February, and “Cultural diversity and information and communication technology impacts on global virtual teams: An exploratory study” in Information and Management, 45(2), in March. She published a book chapter “Online peace movement organizations: A comparative analysis” in Social information technology: Connection society and cultural issues, edited by I. Chen and T. Kidd. She gave an invited talk “Are Virtual Reference Services Color Blind?” at the School of Information at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in May. She received the 2008 Trustees Teaching Award from the School of Library and Information Science in April. She co-organized a panel “Wiki a la carte: Understanding participation behaviors” at the 70th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science & Technology in Columbus, OH in October (with Noriko Hara, Eva Callahan, Susan Herring, B. Stivlia, and Paul Solomon). She is co-chair of the minitrack “Social Theory in Information Systems Research” at AMCIS (with Howard Rosenbaum).

Debora Shaw, professor, published “A new look at evidence of scholarly citation in citation indexes and from web sources” in Scientometrics, 74(2), in March (with Liwen Vaughan).

John Walsh, assistant professor, published “The Digital Index Chemicus: toward a digital tool for studying Isaac Newton’s Index Chemicus” in Body, Space & Technology Journal, 7(2), in March (with Cesare Pastorino, 1st author, and Tamara Lopez). He presented a paper “Document-Centric Framework for Navigating Texts Online, or The Intersection of the Text Encoding Initiative (TEI) and the Metadata Encoding and Transmission Standard (METS)” at the TEI Technical Council in March (with Michelle Dalmau). He was awarded the IU Herbert S. White Collaborative Award, which will fund his work on the integration of topic maps and topic map-driven interfaces into digital scholarly editions (with Michelle Dalmau).

Kiduk Yang, assistant professor, published “WIDIT in TREC2007 Blog track: Combining lexicon-based methods to detect opinionated blogs” in the Proceedings of the 16th Text Retrieval Conference (with Ning Yu and Hui Zhang). He gave an invited talk “Impact of Google Scholar on Citation Analysis” at the Citation Tracking and Analysis session of the Special Libraries Association’s Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington in June.

Phil Bantin, adjunct faculty and Director of the University Archives, published a book, Understanding Data and Information Systems for Recordkeeping.

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Jean Preer, professor, published “Promoting Citizenship: How Librarians Helped Get Out the Vote in the 1952 Presidential Election” in Libraries & the Cultural Record, 43(1), in February. She was a project evaluator at the ALA-Library Support Staff Certification Program Advisory Committee Meeting in Philadelphia, PA in January.


Jinfeng Xia, assistant professor, published an edited book, Scholarly Communication in China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea and Taiwan, in February. He gave a talk “Open Access for Archaeological Literature: A Manager’s Perspective” at the Society of American Archaeology Annual Meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia in March. He also gave a talk on “Scholarly Communication in East Asia: Modernization and Traditions” at the Council for East Asian Librarians Conference in Atlanta, Georgia in April.


Mary Stanley, adjunct faculty and Associate Dean of the IUPUI University Library, published a book, Managing Library Employees.
New Faculty Member Brings More Semantic Web Expertise to SLIS

SLIS Bloomington will welcome its newest faculty member, Dr. Ying Ding, in the fall of 2008. Prior to joining SLIS, Dr. Ding was a senior researcher for the Digital Enterprise Research Institute in the Department of Computer Science at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, where she led the Semantic Web Application Research Unit and was chair of the eTourism working group.

Dr. Ding received her doctorate in information science from the School of Computer Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, in Singapore in 2000. She also has a Master’s degree in Information Science from the Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing and a Bachelor’s degree in Engineering–Information Science from Xi’an Electronic Science and Technology University in Xi’an, China.

Dr. Ding’s interests include: “social tagging to improve tag searching, the design of digital libraries, data integration and data mediation using FOAF, Dublin Core, Simple Knowledge Organization Systems and other metadata schemes and social ontologies, ontology engineering, generation and mediation for the semantic web, and applications of the semantic web in e-commerce.” She co-edited “Proceedings of the ECAI 2004 Workshop on Application of Semantic Web Technologies to Web Communities” in 2004 and co-authored a book entitled Intelligent Information Integration in B2B Electronic Commerce in 2002. She has co-authored 7 book chapters and presented many papers at international conferences.

She has taught classes on Next Web Generation, Semantic Web, Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management at the Free University of Amsterdam and the University of Innsbruck and she has supervised student theses at the doctoral, master’s, and bachelor’s degree levels.

PhD & Masters Publishing

Doctoral Student News

Editor’s Note: Doctoral news covers the period of January, 2008 to the week of May 12, 2008.

Peter Hook gave a talk on “Evolution of American Legal Topics: Metrics, Visualizations, and the History of a Discipline-the AALS Data” on March 18 at the IU School of Law, Bloomington.

Kathryn Clodfelter presented a work-in-progress poster entitled “CommNets 2.0: Using an Evolutionary Perspective to Examine a Statewide Community Networking Initiative” on January 8 at the annual ALISE Conference in Philadelphia. She taught two sessions of her “Grant Writing Workshop”, one for Public Librarians and one for Academic Librarians ,this summer at SLIS.

Inna Kouper co-chaired with Lois Scheidt a panel, “Applying and extending qualitative inquiry to Internet research: Multiple media, multiple sites”, at the 4th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry in Urbana-Champaign, Illinois in May. She taught S542 “International Information Issues” this spring at SLIS.

Stacy Kowalczyk published “Digital preservation by design” in the Handbook of Research on Global Information Technology Management in the Digital Economy, edited by

Mahesh S. Raisinghani. She presented a paper entitled “A Multi-Tiered Architecture for Distributed Data Collection and Centralized Data Delivery” at The Digital Library Federation Spring Forum on April 29 in Minneapolis, Minnesota (with J. Halliday).

Aaron Loherlein was the second author with Dr. Elin Jacob of a chapter “Information Architecture” to be published in the 2009 edition of the Annual Review of Information Science and Technology, edited by Dr. Blaise Cronin. He published “The Benefits of Participating in a Form of Life: Interpretations of Complex Concepts Among Experts and Novices in Records Management” in Advances in Knowledge Organization, Vol. 11, and will present this research in August at the annual meeting of the International Society for Knowledge Organization (ISKO).

Shannon Oltmann was the second author of an article with Dr. Pnina Shachaf and S. Horowitz, “Service equality in virtual reference” published in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science & Technology, 59(4). She also taught two courses at SLIS; S541 “Information Policy: Privacy” this spring and S640 “Seminar on Intellectual Freedom” this summer.

Digitizing the Global and International Education Materials” and “Evaluation of Access International Information System” for the Center for Studies in Global Change at Indiana University.

Sharon Stoeger published “Virtual worlds, virtual literacies” in Knowledge Quest, 36(3). She also has two book reviews that are forthcoming, “Review of Brave new classrooms: Democratic education & the Internet in The Information Society” and “Review of Online collaborative learning: Theory and practice and Collaborative learning techniques: A handbook for college faculty” in The International Review of Research in Open and Distance Learning. She taught S544 “Gender and Computerization” this past fall at SLIS.

Jonathan Warren was second author of a book chapter with Dr. John Paolillo and B. Kunz, “Morphological genre analysis of amateur digital multimedia” to be published in Genres on the Web: Corpus Studies and Computational Models, edited by Mehler, Sharoff, Rehm, and Santini. He presented a paper “Longitudinal network and genre emergence in an online new media community” on January 23 at the 28th Annual International Sunbelt Social Network Conference in St. Pete Beach, FL. He taught S532 “Information Architecture for the Web” this spring, and S603 “XML Workshop” this summer.

Master Degree Students’ Papers Published

SLIS faculty members encourage students to submit class papers for publication. The process of contacting an editor, learning submission guidelines, and ultimately being published is a great way to develop as a professional. The subjects they write about demonstrate the depth and variety of research interests of SLIS students. A list of publications can be found online at http://www.slis.indiana.edu/faculty/meho/#students.


Marilyn Irwin provided a list of SLIS students who have published in Indiana Libraries (the Journal of the Indiana Library Federation and the Indiana State Library) in the past few years. Most articles began as student class projects.

- Haver, Lettie. (v.27, n.1, 2008). Opening Your Doors to Teens: Creating sustainable Young Adult Programs.
- Williams, Teresa. (v.27, n.1, 2008). Connecting with the Campus Community: Promotional Success Through Collaboration and Outreach.
Gratitude • Remembrance • Support • Legacy • Honor

Scholarships Change Lives

Alumni and friends of SLIS help students in many ways. Scholarship support is one form that is always appreciated. Often awards are set up in honor or in remembrance of someone, to pass on a legacy, from gratitude for receiving an award when a student, or from a desire to support students.

In this feature we highlight some Masters and doctoral students who recently have received scholarships. Only a few are featured, but as they discuss the ways in which they have benefited from their scholarships, realize that the stories they tell are representative of those of many of their colleagues who have been similarly helped by the generosity of SLIS alumni and friends.

Changes in Information Creation and Management Led Me to SLIS...

Ephraim Mudave (M.L.S.’07) was the 2007 recipient of the Charles B. Shaw Fellowship. Currently in Nairobi, he responded to email questions [June 2008]:

“I am doing well and so is my family. We are now experiencing what is similar to winter over there, although the temperatures are between 14 and 24 degrees Celsius. I know this is warm, but comparatively it is the coldest period in Nairobi. I still cherish the memory of Bloomington and SLIS.

Before coming to SLIS I had worked in various libraries for 13 years, having earned a B.Sc. in Library and Information Science from Moi University, Eldoret (Kenya). The challenges brought by changes in information creation, management, distribution and access vis a vis technological advancement led me to SLIS.

While studying at SLIS, I found myself in a financial need that my sponsor was not in a position to meet at the time. Having only 12 months of study leave, completion of my program in time was at stake. The scholarship paid my tuition fees for the summer semester thus enabling me to finish my program in time. I will forever remember the gracious offer from the scholarship team that saw me graduate in time, and come back to serve in my country.

Immediately after I came back I was confirmed as Head Librarian of the Graduate School, the position I am currently holding. The training I received at SLIS and the skills acquired are handy in my current responsibilities, as I lead the library in supporting the objectives of the institution.

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Charles B. Shaw Graduate Fellowship

SLIS graduates Debora Shaw (Ph.D.’83) and Charles H. Davis (Ph.D.’69 - see feature below) established this fellowship to honor Debora’s grandfather, Charles B. Shaw, who was the Librarian of Swarthmore College from 1927 until his death in 1962. His professional and avocational interests included college libraries and librarianship, bibliography, and printing. He compiled the List of Books for College Libraries (the “Shaw List”) and its supplements in the 1930s. Beginning in 1943, he was the President of ACRL (the Association of College and Research Libraries). He advised the Carnegie Corporation on college libraries and in 1947-48 was sent to China as an advisor on the libraries of Christian colleges in that country. An ardent amateur printer, he founded the Off-hand Press at his home in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

Songbird Behavior Scientist has New Role in Science Information

Eric Snajdr (M.L.S.’07) was the 2003-2004 recipient of the Charles A. and Charles H. Davis Fellowship in Scientific Information. Snajdr is working at IUPUI and responded to email questions [June 2008]:

“Before and during my enrollment in SLIS, I worked as a research associate for the Department of Biology at IUB, assisting two professors in a study of songbird behavior. The research focused on a single bird species, the dark-eyed junco, and was part of a long-term study (beginning in 1983 and is still continuing today). For more information on the research see http://www.indiana.edu/~kettlab/.

Working full time, while pursuing coursework in SLIS, made for a busy schedule. However, being awarded the 2003-2004 Davis & Davis Fellowship played a huge role in making it all possible. The scholarship allowed me to focus more on the important tasks of coursework and effective time management and less on the financial burdens of obtaining a master degree.

I recently began work as an Assistant Science Librarian at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI). My position involves serving as the liaison to the academic departments of Chemistry, Forensic Science, and Psychology. The MLS program at SLIS provided a solid foundation of knowledge and skills, which have translated well to my entry-level position in an academic library.”

Charles A. and Charles H. Davis Fellowship in Scientific Information

Charles A. Davis was a pioneer in forensic science. He headed the Indiana State Police Headquarters Laboratory and later that agency’s Criminal Investigation Division. He also chaired the original Indiana State Commission on Forensic Sciences. Charles H. Davis, his son, has three degrees from IU and studied postgraduate chemistry at the University of Munich in Munich, Germany on a fellowship awarded by the German government. He spent most of his career in information science, working as an editor for Chemical Abstracts, a respected chemistry journal, as a professor, and as a dean at both the University of Alberta, Canada, and at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is a senior fellow in library and information science here at SLIS.
Bringing Experience as a Law Librarian to a SLIS Ph.D.

Current SLIS Ph.D. in Information Science student, Peter Hook, was the 2004 recipient of the Clayton A. Shepherd Scholarship. He responded to questions about his career goals and the Shepherd award [June 2008]:

“I have made several significant financial sacrifices to pursue my third graduate degree. The Shepherd scholarship came at a point in my life in which every little bit was greatly appreciated. It helped to validate the choice I was making and made me feel appreciated.

“My main research interest is in information visualization, particularly the educational use of knowledge domain visualizations, concept mapping, and the spatial navigation of bibliographic data in which the underlying structural organization of the domain is conveyed to the user.

“I have a law degree, a MLS, and had been working in academic law libraries for five years before going back to study for my Ph.D. at SLIS. When I graduate, I would like to be a teaching academic. As an academic law librarian, I assist people with their research and guest lecture on numerous topics. While this has been satisfying, I am interested in doing more teaching and conducting more of my own research.”

One More Big Step... Much Closer to My Dream

Sarah Rebecca Reed was the Associate Dean of the Graduate Library School (now SLIS) at Indiana University from 1971 to 1975. One part of her legacy is a fund to assist doctoral students at SLIS. The other part was her encouragement of doctoral students.

Two SLIS doctoral students have received the Sarah Rebecca Reed Memorial Fellowship: HyunSeung Koh (2008) and Inna Kouper (2007). We asked them for quotes.

“I have always felt that in libraries we are so fortunate in the quality of people we attract... I don’t know why it is; you know people don’t come into librarianship to get wealthy. But we have tremendous people in our field and it’s exciting to be able to work with them.” [Sarah Rebecca Reed]

HyunSeung Koh (2008):

“To be here in SLIS now as a Ph.D. student, I think I really needed to make a very long journey. I graduated from a university first and worked for companies in Seoul, Korea. Also, I attended a business school while I was working in the company, which eventually led me to study further in SLIS.

After I completed the master program in SLIS, there was a moment which I almost gave up (or probably postponed) studying further, but the Sarah Reed Fellowship truly encouraged me to make one more big step and get much closer to my dream.

I will keep moving forward to have wide and deep knowledge of Information Science, including other relevant disciplines, and to utilize that knowledge to answer my naive question, how to make data, information and knowledge more usable, more useful and more enjoyable.”

The Clayton Shepherd Scholarship

Clayton Shepherd (born in Washington, D.C. in 1929) was a pioneer in the field of information science and technology. After a career in the field of automation, Dr. Shepherd was on the faculty at SLIS from 1967 until his death in 1990. He developed many technical courses here, including Computer Applications in Libraries, Microcomputers and Their Uses in Libraries, Systems Analysis and Design, and Library Automation. The SLIS Shepherd Lab is named in his honor.
Inna Kouper (2007):

“The scholarship was of great help to me because at that time I had no other sources of financial support. I completed all the coursework and started working on my qualifying paper. This scholarship allowed me to devote all my time to the qualifying paper and finish it as planned.

I was born in Moscow, Russia. I got my Bachelors in Information Systems and Masters in Sociology in Moscow. My interests are quite diverse and include knowledge and power in the mediated world; the role of science in society; information literacy and critical thinking. My dissertation research focuses on the discursive construction of technoscientific knowledge across multiple media. When I graduate I hope to be able to continue my research and be part of academic community.”

Blanche Woolls (Ph.D.’73), SLIS Alumni Board, remembers Sarah Reed:

“As a doctoral student, I had a problem with my dissertation proposal. When I discussed this with Sarah Rebecca, she said, “When you butt your head against a brick wall, all you get is bloody. Find another topic!” She also always picked up the check at any gathering. If you tried to get the check, she would look you right in the eye and say, “You’ll make me mad.” These are quotes, but they tell you just how she was.

Because I typed many of my colleagues’ dissertations with an IBM Selectric typewriter which would allow you to stretch a three letter word into a 5 space or squeeze a 5 letter word in to 3 spaces, she would be reading a dissertation and would ask me, what word that is no more than five letters means the same as ---- so that I wouldn’t have to retype the entire page or even several pages if it made a difference in the format.

Many of us “claimed” to be Sarah Rebecca’s favorite, but her real favorite was Dr. Mary Alice Hunt with whom she worked at Florida State and who finished her doctorate while Sarah Rebecca was Associate Dean.”

B.J. Irvine (Ph.D.’81) Reflects:

“Sarah Rebecca Reed was the Associate Dean of the Graduate Library School (now SLIS) when I was in the doctoral program. During those days of doctoral anxiety, there was one person who guided, cajoled, and motivated us to accomplish our academic objectives in the library school. That person was fondly referred to as “Super Sarah”, and she pursued her responsibilities with extraordinary energy and zeal. She did not wait until you needed help but seemed to have a sixth sense about when an extra push was required or when finances were becoming an obstacle to completing your degree.

She knew that I was working full-time while I was a doctoral student but advised me that I was required to enroll as a full-time student at least one semester to complete my credit-hour requirements; however, I told her that I could not afford to stop working. No problem--not at least to her! Without any application process on my part, I received notice that I would receive a stipend sufficient to cover my expenses for both summer sessions providing me the incredible luxury of being a full-time student!

We were all as devoted to her as she was to each of us. My daughter, Sarah Rebecca Irvine, is named after this extraordinary mentor, library leader, and educator. Knowing how important financial support was to my undergraduate and graduate coursework at IUB, I had contributed to the endowments created for Sarah Rebecca Reed as well as for Dr. David Kaser who was also my dissertation advisor and chair of my Research Committee.

As I neared retirement in the University Libraries, it was the perfect time to create an endowment for students in the Specialization in Art Librarianship program which I had started in 1985. The graduate scholarship endowment in my name (in progress at this time) has given me the satisfaction of knowing that future students will have an expanded avenue of financial support during their MLS coursework. My passion is that these students know we care about them and that, like Super Sarah’s legacy, we are able to give them the support they need to be successful students in SLIS.”

B.J. Kish Irvine, M.L.S. 1969, Ph.D. 1981, was the Head of the Indiana University Fine Arts Library for nearly 40 years and the past president of the Art Libraries Society/North America.
**Keith C. Kuhn Tri-State Scholarship**

Kristen Rae Allen (current MLS student on the SLIS Indianapolis Campus) received the 2008 Keith C. Kuhn Tri-State Scholarship from the School of Library and Information Science. She was nominated by SLIS IUPUI Associate Dean Marilyn Irwin. “Kristen is from Beavercreek, Ohio. She is an excellent student with interests in working in public libraries, particularly in cataloging. She came to SLIS with a B.A. in Latin Studies from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.”

Keith Kuhn (MLS’76) died on May 6, 2008 (see In Memoriam below). He was the President of the SLIS Alumni Board at the time of his death. He established this award to help students from the Tri-State area (Southeast Indiana, Southwest Ohio, and Northern Kentucky). The award was first given in 2002. Past recipients are: Aimee Burch, Adele Smith, Blossom Smith, Elizabeth Dehne, Travis Daily, and Jennifer Davis.

“Be creative. This is a profession which has seen a lot of change and now offers tremendous opportunities to express creativity in a number of different ways.” [Keith Kuhn]

**In Memoriam**

Excerpt from Keith’s obituary in The Enquirer, the Cincinnati, Ohio newspaper:

“Keith C. Kuhn, age 57 years, a 30 year resident of the Clifton area, passed away on May 6, 2008. Keith was the Library Services Director of the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. Mr. Kuhn joined the Library on January 29, 1979 as the Adult Assistant in the Institutions/Books-By-Mail Department. He was promoted to First Assistant of the department on June 6, 1983 and became the Department Head of Institutions/Books-by-Mail on March 31, 1986. Mr. Kuhn became the Department Head of Circulation Services in 1993 and was promoted to Deputy Librarian-Main on January 7, 1996. Mr. Kuhn was again promoted on January 30, 2000 as the Director of the newly formed Public Services Office.

Mr. Kuhn has served on numerous professional boards and committees, and was the Immediate Past President of the Indiana University SLIS Alumni Board. Mr. Kuhn was the 2007 recipient of the American Library Association’s Sullivan Award for Public Library Administrators Supporting Services to Children.”

**More Choices in Life...**

MLS 1994 alumna, Sarah Packwood Burton, honored her parents this past year by creating an endowment to support student scholarships. Sarah has worked at IU for over 27 years, and at SLIS since 1998 where she is the Budget Director and Alumni Coordinator.

“My parents raised eleven children. They were not able to pursue higher education. In fact, my mother was not allowed to attend high school. She felt burdened her entire life by the lack of that diploma. Today, a high school diploma is a very modest goal; but, for her, and the struggles she and my father faced raising a large family, it was a huge accomplishment that all eleven of their children graduated from high school. Even though my parents lacked opportunities for themselves, they encouraged their children and the next generation to pursue as much education as possible.”

“I never dreamed that I would be able to establish an endowment to honor my parents. During the past three years while working closely with Vicky Martin of the IU Foundation, I listened carefully as she encouraged people to give gifts to SLIS. Suddenly, I realized that even with a modest income, I, too, could plan an endowment. I approached Vicky to help me craft the language of the gift agreement. In addition to honoring my parents, my gift also gives back to SLIS, where I have enjoyed working for over ten years. And, the encouragement and influence of my parents will continue to help future generations of librarians and information professionals develop more choices in life.”

Sarah’s Father, Harold E. Packwood
Sarah’s Mother, Mabel I. Packwood
Kay A. Conrad, MLS’68, has retired after 39 years as a reference librarian. She writes that she spent the last 35 years as information services coordinator for the Fond du Lac, Wisconsin Public Library. Conrad now plans to travel and perform volunteer work. She continues to live in Fond du Lac.

While in Seattle (at the Special Libraries Association Conference in June 2008), Debora Shaw (Ph.D.’83) and Charles Davis (Ph.D.’69) visited with Peter Hiatt (popular SLIS faculty from 1963 to 1970 who became the first director and then a full-time professor at the University of Washington’s Information School), and with Linda Hiatt (the former Linda Rae Smith - MLS’67). They live in Port Townsend, WA. Their daughter Holly also lives in the Seattle area.

Next year’s 100th SLA (Special Libraries Association) Anniversary will be held in Washington, DC, June 14-17, 2009. SLIS alumna, Sharon Lenius (MLS’65), is the Local Arrangements Chair in DC for helping to plan the Centennial Celebration.

In 2007, C. Bill Caddell, MLS’73, retired after 34 years of library service. He served as director of the Frankfort (Ind.) Community Public Library since 1984. During his career, Caddell added 39,000 square feet to the Frankfort Library, built new branch libraries in Mulberry, Ind., and Rossville, Ind., and started plans to open an additional branch just south of Michigantown, Ind. He leaves the organization after raising an endowment of approximately $800,000 with no outstanding debt. Caddell lives in Frankfort.

Carol Shockey Leadenham, MLS’73, MA’78, is assistant archivist for reference for Hoover Institution Archives in Stanford, Calif. She lives with her husband, Douglas, MLS’73, in Menlo Park, Calif.

Matthew J. Simon, BA’70, MLS’73, MA’75, has been appointed dean of university libraries at Delaware State University in Dover. Previously, he served as Lehman Librarian at Columbia University, chief librarian and professor at Queens College, and as a professor and dean of university libraries at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Simon has also served as president of pre-DESIGN Planning Associates Inc., an architectural planning and design firm specializing in libraries, archives, and cultural centers.

Lynn R. Smith, MLS’79, is a librarian for Richard Roudebush VA Medical Center. She and her husband, James, MSW’81, vice president for institutional advancement at the University of Indianapolis, live and work in Indianapolis. They have two children.

In June 2007, Roberta L. Brooker, MLS’88, became Indiana state librarian. She has worked for the State Library since 1988, when she served as a reference librarian. Brooker lives in Plainfield, Indiana.

Elizabeth Branson Crawford, BA’76, MLS’85, is a regional manager for the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library. She lives in McCordsville, Indiana.

In September 2007, Michael P. Romary, MLS’83, retired from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, where he served for 17 years as coordinator of bibliographic and electronic instruction, and as a reference and instruction librarian. He has also worked for Austin College in Sherman, Texas, and for the Hudson Institute on the IUPUI campus. Upon his retirement, Romary plans to spend more time with his spouse, Catherine A. Albrecht, BA’77, MA’79, PhD’86, an associate professor of history at the University of Baltimore. The couple lives in Baltimore and plans to spend summers in Grand Marais, Michigan.

Bradley Schaffner, MA’84, MLS’89, is head of the Slavic division at Harvard University’s Widener Library in Cambridge, Mass. He is also co-editor of *Books, Bibliographies, and Pugs: A Festschrift to Honor Murlin Croucher*, published by Slavica in 2006. Schaffner lives in Milton, Massachusetts.

William H.A. Williams II, MLS’85, is a professor of history at Union Institute and University in Cincinnati. His book, *Tourism, Landscape, and the Irish Character: British Travel Writers in Pre-Famine Ireland*, was published by the University of Wisconsin Press in January 2008. Williams lives in
1990s

Nocha J. Flick, MLS’99, is a media specialist and information literacy teacher for Belzer Middle School. She lives and works in Indianapolis.

Erica Wimble Lake, MLS’93, is a hospital medical librarian for Intermountain Health Care in Salt Lake City, where she has worked since 1999. Previously, she served as a librarian for the Dance Notation Bureau in New York City. In 2004, Lake received the Barbara McDowell Award for excellence in hospital librarianship from the mid-continent chapter of the Medical Library Association. She lives in Salt Lake City.

Stephanie Spetter, BA’91, MLS’95, is children’s librarian and assistant branch manager of the Bucktown-Wicker Park branch of the Chicago Public Library. She lives in Chicago.

Michael T. Stephens, BA’87, MLS’95, is an assistant professor in the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Dominican University in River Forest, Illinois.

“I am working in a temporary position in the development outreach and communications office of USAID/Afghanistan,” writes Heather E. Ward, MA/MLS’97. “I especially enjoy developing and editing success stories about aid projects around Afghanistan. It gives me a good overview of the work of the whole mission in education, health, agriculture, governance, etc. My husband works in Thailand, where we’ve been living since the spring of 2006. While in Thailand, I have been teaching Irish dance, taking Thai language classes, and serving on the boards of two libraries. We especially enjoy traveling around the region and scuba diving. I maintain a blog at lisonsetdansons.blogspot.com.”

Catrina L. Whited, MLS’99, is a reference and clinical librarian for Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk. She lives in Newport News, Virginia.

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Nicole Bachmann, MLS’06, is an assistant librarian for the law firm Dechert in Washington, D.C. She lives in Fairfax, Virginia.

Neil A. Chase, BA’98, MLS’05, is a special collections coordinator for Western Michigan University. He works in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Abigail W. Cooley, MLS’05, is head of the periodicals department of Enoch Pratt Free Library. She lives and works in Baltimore.

Lisa Greer Douglass, BS’95, MLS’02, is a research analyst for the National Collegiate Athletic Association in Indianapolis. She and her husband, Jess, write that their son, Mitchell James, was born on March 27, 2007. The family lives in Indianapolis.

Christine M. Furno, MLS/MIS’02, is an information literacy librarian for the American University of Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates. Her duties include library instruction, reference work, and hiring committee members.

“I love my new job as an undergraduate academic adviser in the IU College of Arts and Sciences [in Bloomington],” writes Krystie L. Herndon, MLS’06. “My duties cover three departments: criminal justice, folklore and ethnomusicology, and linguistics. I’ve never had so much fun working before!” Herndon lives in Bloomington.

Samantha H. Klein, MLS’06, is a reference cataloger at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Serena Olson, MLS’06, is children’s services librarian for Cleveland Heights (Ohio) University Public Library.

Elizabeth C. Osborne, MLS’04, is an associate for the law firm Dykema Gossett, where her practice focuses on general litigation matters. Osborne received her juris doctor degree from DePaul University, where she was a member of the DePaul Law Review. She lives and works in Chicago.

Patricia L. Schroader, AA’03, BA’04, MLS’07, is children’s services librarian for Warsaw Community Public Library. She lives in Warsaw.

In January 2008, Michael L. Taylor, MLS/MA’07, began work as assistant curator of special collections for the Hill Memorial Library at Louisiana State University. He lives and works in Baton Rouge.

The editors gratefully acknowledge the assistance of the Indiana University Alumni Association in compiling the SLIS alumni class notes. To submit information, write to the Alumni Association at 1000 E. 17th St., Bloomington, IN 47408.
SLIS received archival items from the University of Toronto this summer. They included fliers from 1947 to 1995. Indiana University created the Division of Library Science (within the School of Education) in 1947, and offered the first graduate degree M.A. in Library Science in 1949 (through the Graduate School.) We are including here a page from the 1947 flier.