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LANHAM NAMED ACADEMIC LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR

Jana Brubaker, Northern Illinois University

Allen Lanham, Dean of Library Services at Eastern Illinois University, has been named the 2008 Illinois Academic Librarian of the year. This award is given annually by the IACRL Forum and the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries of Illinois (CARLI) to individuals who have performed outstanding service for the Forum and for the Illinois Library Association, as well as providing leadership and exemplary library service in an academic setting.

Dr. Lanham has been the Dean of Library Services at EIU since 1992. Prior to coming to EIU, he served at the Inter American University of Puerto Rico for sixteen years. Between 1996 and 2002 he oversaw the \$22.5 million renovation and expansion of Booth Library. In

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A Message from the President

Hunt Dunlap, Western Illinois University

I would like to extend my greetings and best wishes to the IACRL membership as we begin this new academic year! Past presidents of our organization have been known to focus attention on a central theme or project over the course of their term. During 2008-2009, I have chosen to highlight the importance of library professional development at the individual, institutional and collective levels. There are many facets of effective professional development within academic librarianship including the creation and presentation of current, beneficial educational content, general resource availability and personal initiative.

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Due to time constraints we're putting this *IACRL Newsletter* online. We won't be sending a print copy this fall; however, no final decision about the format of future issues has been made. Let us know if you prefer print or electronic. Email Karen Hovde at khovde@niu.edu.

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LIBRARIANS ON THE MOVE

Karen Hovde, Northern Illinois University

New Deans

Patrick Dawson joins *Northern Illinois University* as the new Dean of Libraries. He comes to Northern from the University of California, Santa Barbara, having served for more than two decades in positions of increasing levels of responsibility at the Riverside, Irvine and Santa Barbara campuses of the University of California. Dean Dawson's MA in History/Latin American Studies and BA in History are from the University of New Mexico. He earned his MLS from the University of Arizona.

Also at *Northern*, **Byron Anderson** steps down as Acting Dean of Libraries to the position of Acting Associate Dean for Public Services.

Regina C. McBride is the new Dean of Library and Information Services at *Southern Illinois University*, Edwardsville. Dean McBride has been serving as Acting Dean since December 2007, and served prior to that as Associate Dean of Library and Information Services, and Director of Technical and Access Services. Her PhD in Higher

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The Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries is an Illinois Library Association forum and a chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries.

Illinois Academic Librarians at ILA

Lauren Jensen, Monmouth College

“Libraries = Access, Provide, Promote, and Protect” is the theme of this year’s ILA Conference. It will be held at Chicago’s Navy Pier on September 23-26. The conference will feature several programs for academic librarians. Topics will range from information literacy and intellectual freedom to collection development and access. Be sure to check out what your colleagues have to say!

Wednesday, September 24

Celebrating Abraham Lincoln through Primary Sources from the Library of Congress (9-10:30 a.m.)

Byron D. Holdiman, Quincy University

Advocacy on the Front Lines (9-10:30 a.m.)

Jeannette Moss, Northwestern University;
Missy Roser, DePaul University; Crystal
Megaridis, Praxair, Inc.; Mary Pergander,
Deerfield Public Library

Sponsor: ILA Best Practices Committee

Open Access: Overview and Current Trends (9-10:30 a.m.)

Sarah L. Shreeves, UIUC

Systemic Change Needed in Information Literacy Instruction (2-3 p.m.)

Lisa Stock, College of DuPage

Expanding Your Library’s Reach With AskAway Virtual Reference (3:30-5 p.m.)

Stacey Knight-Davis, Eastern Illinois University; Dawn Bussey, Glen Ellyn Public Library; Charlotte Bruce, Olney Central College; and Tim O’Shaughnessy, Moline High School

Sponsor: Reference Services Forum

RDA Update (3:30-5 p.m.)

Kathryn LaBarre, University of Illinois
GSLIS

Sponsor: Resources & Technical Services
Forum

Academic Freedom in Libraries and on Campuses (3:30-5 p.m.)

Jocelyn Tipton, Eastern Illinois University,
and David Hamilton, CARLI

Sponsor: IACRL

IACRL Business Luncheon

Thursday, September 25, 2008

12:35-1:55 p.m.

Featured Speaker:

Dr. Allen Lanham

Dean of Library Services
Eastern Illinois University

*Pre-registration is required for lunch;
Business Meeting open to all.*

Business Meeting Agenda:

1. Welcome -- Hunt Dunlap
2. Call for additions and changes to the agenda
3. Approval of the minutes
4. 2007-2008 Annual Report -- Jocelyn Tipton
5. Recognition of the Academic Librarian of the Year
6. Election of Officers
7. Other business; questions/comments from the floor

Featured Speaker -- Dr. Allen Lanham

Thursday, September 25

Around the World in Ninety Minutes (9-10:30 a.m.)

Mortenson Associates from countries
around the world, UIUC

Sponsor: Mortenson Center for International
Library Programs, UIUC

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CARLI News and Events

Margaret Chambers, CARLI

Join your CARLI colleagues at the events we have scheduled this fall.

The **CARLI Annual Meeting** will be held on Friday, October 24 at the new iHotel in Champaign. The meeting will feature a morning keynote address by Marshall Keys, MDA Consulting, "Entrepreneurship and Risk in Libraries: Creating and Embracing Opportunities for Change", and an afternoon panel discussion of entrepreneurship and risk-taking in CARLI libraries.

If you struggle to manage your E-resource licenses, the **E-Resource Licensing Workshop** on November 17 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Champaign is right for you. This CARLI-sponsored event brought to you by the Electronic Resources Working Group will feature Trisha Davis, Associate Professor and Head of the Serials, Electronic Resources and Rights Management Department at Ohio State University.

Topics for the workshop tentatively include:

- Understanding licensing language
- Managing your e-resource licenses
- Interlibrary loan/fair use/course packs/reserves
- Usage terms
- Components of pricing – analyzing prices offered, price caps, renewal terms
- Archival rights

Other upcoming events include the **Collections Fall Forum: The New Paradigm of Weeding; and an Overview of the CARLI Collections Programs** to be held Monday October 13 at Heartland Community College in Normal and the **I-Share Resource Sharing Team Fall Forum** on Wednesday, October 29 at Millikin University, Decatur.

Registration for all of these events is free and is open to all staff at CARLI member libraries. Lunch will be provided. For more information or to register visit the CARLI web site or contact support@carli.illinois.edu.

CARLI was thrilled to welcome 8 new CARLI members. The new CARLI members, with over 13,000 Illinois higher education students, faculty and staff are: Chicago Theological Seminary; Richard J. Daley College, Harold Washington College, Lincoln College, Pritzker Military Library, Rasmussen College, and University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary.

I-Share is growing, too. The total number of Illinois institutions participating in I-Share increased to 76 in July, with the addition of 5 new participants: Adler School of Professional Psychology, Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Harrington College of Design, Principia College, and Rush University. The new I-Share libraries contributed 261,349 bibliographic records, including 62,006 for which one of these libraries will be the only holding library reflected in the Universal Catalog. The I-Share Universal Catalog now includes more than 10 million bibliographic records (10,014,865 at last count).

Check out the **new features on the CARLI web site** www.carli.illinois.edu/. The new **Systems Status page** <http://blog.carli.illinois.edu/sys-status/> provides the latest information about the status and availability of our various systems (I-Share Voyager, SFX, CONTENTdm) and online services (the CARLI website, the ILDS website, email lists, our support tracking system, etc.)

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The Seven Deadly Sins (11:30-12:30 p.m.)

Al Gini, Loyola University Chicago

IACRL Luncheon Meeting (12:35-1:55 p.m.)

Annual Luncheon and Business Meeting
Items to be discussed include upcoming events, issues, and the annual report.

Pre-registration is required for lunch; please refer to registration materials.

Does Cataloging Have Value in These Times? The Changing Bibliographic Universe and Its Implications for Next Generation Cataloging (2-3:30 p.m.)

Glen Patton, OCLC, and Judith Nadler, University of Chicago Library

Sponsor: Illinois State Library

Weeding Between the Lines: A Multitype Look at Weeding Reference Collections (2-3:30 p.m.)

Blaine Redemer, Illinois State Library; Tina Chrzastowski, UIUC; and Kathryn Miller, National-Louis University; TBA

Sponsor: Reference Services Forum

Academic Integrity and the College Student (2-3:30 p.m.)

Ann Brownson, Eastern Illinois University and Elaine Fetyko Page, Elmhurst College

Sponsor: IACRL

Friday, September 26

LIS Access Midwest Program (LAMP): Building Future Generations of Diverse Library Professionals (11-12 p.m.)

Amani Ayad and Rae-Anne Montague, UIUC

Quality or Quality in Your Catalog (11-12 p.m.)

Caren Soltysiak, Vernon Area Public Library District; Mary Konkel, College of DuPage Library; and Virginia Seward, Co-operative Computer Services

To view the complete schedules and program descriptions, please visit ILA on the web at <http://www.ila.org/events/conference.htm>.

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Roll over any heading in the navigation bar to use the **new drop-down menus** for direct access to pages within the site. Users are now able to navigate to the section overview pages or to select an entry in the drop-down box and proceed directly to those pages, bypassing the overview pages.

CARLI staff moved from their former locations on Daniel Street and Green Street in Champaign to our newly renovated space at 100 Trade Centre Drive in Champaign this summer. The new space includes 2 new meeting/training rooms and easy access to parking for staff and visitors. If you're planning to attend the Annual Meeting, **stop by for a tour of the CARLI office** from 3-4 p.m.

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Sarah Wessel, Illinois Wesleyan University

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Education, MA in Modern European History, and BA in History are from Saint Louis University; her MA in Library and Informational Science from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

T. J. Urbanski is the new Associate Dean at the *Western Illinois University Libraries*. He joins the Illinois academic library community from New Mexico State University, where he was Access Services Department Head. Dean Urbanski graduated Summa Cum Laude with an MS in History (2006) from Illinois State University, an MLS (1998) from Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, and a BA in History (1996) from Southern Illinois University.

Faculty Moves

Benedictine University welcomes **Jennifer Merriman**, the new Special Collections Librarian. Jennifer has a BA in English and Political Science from Bradley University and an MLS from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (2008).

William Cuthbertson has left his position as Government Documents/Data Services Librarian and Political Science Bibliographer at *Loyola University Chicago* (since 2005), and may be found in October at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio as Government Documents Librarian. He received his MLS from Indiana University and his BA in English from Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah.

New to *Loyola University Chicago* is **Jane Currie**, who comes to Chicago from her previous position as Humanities Reference/Instruction Librarian at Hope College in Holland, Michigan. Jane is Cudahy Library's Reference Librarian/Bibliographer. Her Master of Science in Library and Information Science is from UIUC (2003).

Northern Illinois University's Founders Library welcomes **Wayne Finley** to his new position as Business Librarian. Wayne has worked most recently for the Byron Public Library District. His MBA is from Western Illinois University, and his MLIS from UIUC.

Milner Library at *Illinois State University* has two new staff members. **Chris Underwood** is the new Head of Systems. He has his Masters in Information and Library Science from Rutgers. Chris comes from County College of Morris in Randolph, New Jersey where he has been a systems librarian since 2004. **Paul Park** joins *ISU's* Systems Department as a Web Services Librarian. Paul is an Illinois State University graduate with a BA in Computer Science. He received his MLS from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

The new(-ish — since January) Government Information and Data Services Librarian at *Western Illinois University's* Malpass Library is **Linda Zellmer**. She assists patrons with GIS, oversees the map collection, and serves as liaison to Geology, Geography and Agriculture. Linda comes to Illinois from a position as Head of the Geology Library at Indiana University. Her Master of Library and Information Science is from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, MA in Marine Science—College of William and Mary, BA in Biology/Geology—University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

And a correction...

In the last issue we incorrectly noted the credentials of **Sharon A. Sample** (Access Services/Serials Librarian at Brenner Library, Quincy University) as Masters of Arts degrees rather than the Masters of Science that they actually are. So—Sharon Sample, MLIS, Dominican and MSED in Early Childhood Education, Western Illinois University.

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Recent Publications by Academic Librarians in Illinois: Fall 2008

Tracy Ruppman, Loyola University Chicago

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News from the Illinois State Library

Patrick McGuckin, Illinois State Library

The Illinois State Library's weekly electronic newsletter, *E-news from the ISL*, is the best source available for college and research libraries to find out what's going on at the State Library. The newsletter contains everything from grant offerings and important meetings to news about electronic resources. If you're not getting *E-news*, send an email to Pat McGuckin at pmcguckin@ilsos.net and you'll join the nearly 6,000 subscribers who depend on *E-news* every Friday to find out what's happening at the State Library.

Along those same lines, you may have received in the mail the most recent issue of *Insight*, our bi-monthly ISL newsletter. In an effort to streamline production and distribution while conserving valuable state resources, *Insight* will be published online only beginning with the upcoming September/October issue. If you're already receiving the weekly *E-news*, we'll announce in *E-news* when a new issue of *Insight* is available, and include the link for you to download it.

A number of college and research libraries were recently awarded FY09 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grants by Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White. This year \$3.19 million in grants were awarded to 106 of Illinois' academic, public, school and special libraries and regional library systems.

In awarding the grants, Secretary White said, "It is always a pleasure to award LSTA grants each year because these funds reward libraries for being creative and innovative. LSTA grants are designed so that librarians can identify specific patron needs and use these funds to address those needs. They help provide our libraries with some of the financial resources they need to remain our state's most reliable sources for information. Over the last ten years, LSTA grants have produced hundreds of worthwhile new programs in Illinois' libraries,

library systems and museums with libraries. I congratulate all of our grant recipients for their hard work and creativity in seeking to address their patrons' needs."

This year's LSTA grants were awarded in four categories:

* **Digital Imaging** grants allow libraries to create Internet-ready versions of their materials and collections, specifically Illinois-related historical and cultural materials. 21 projects were awarded LSTA grant funding this year.

* **In Sync With Technology** grants focus on improving library services for people of all ages by developing programs that integrate new technologies or significant equipment. 54 projects were awarded LSTA grant funding.

* **Research & Development** grants are awarded to conduct research on topics that have the potential to improve and create new library practices, resources, programs, and services for library patrons across Illinois. 3 projects were awarded LSTA grant funding this year.

* **The Value of Resource Sharing** grants allow recipients to expand their holdings to an online consortium, linking the catalogs of multiple libraries to greatly increase patron access to library resources across Illinois. 28 projects were awarded FY09 LSTA grant funding.

LSTA funding is awarded to states by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The Illinois State Library administers LSTA funding awarded to the state of Illinois each year, and issues grants to applicants who seek funding as part of a competitive grant program. LSTA grants are available for the development of projects that specifically provide and focus on library service, new initiatives and library activities. All types of librar-

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To content creators, writers and speakers, I encourage you to develop workshops, presentations and curricula that inform and challenge your audiences. Go the extra mile as you help people with different learning styles to get the most from your sessions. Be willing to try new approaches and apply new technologies, while refusing to allow them to overwhelm the message you're working so hard to communicate. Beyond sharing mere information and the latest trends, take the time to reflect on the content you present and be willing to share your insight, experience and wisdom.

In an extremely difficult and challenging budgetary environment, I encourage administrators and supervisors at all levels to re-commit themselves toward enhancing professional development within their institutions. Besides the much appreciated work of "holding the line" and fighting for library dollars, look for and champion pathways that help employees improve their education, grow in their profession, gain new skills and develop leadership capabilities. Make the people in your organization aware of new and existing opportunities and actively encourage their pursuit. You may feel that you've accomplished this in the past, but new people (and "old" people with new situations) are continually changing the institutional dynamic. Your attitude, personal encouragement and the "opportunities for success" that you create can knock down barriers and make a real difference for the people around you.

To each individual, I encourage you to assess (and re-assess) how you pursue your own professional development. Take time to consider and evaluate your skill set. Note the professional aspects that could be updated or enhanced. Prioritize the areas that need special attention. Look for concrete, targeted ways to address and "shore up" these specific areas. Be proactive in seeking out campus workshops, webinars, regional library system offerings and other opportunities that may be close by and inexpensive. Whenever you feel yourself automatically gravitating toward a topical session at a general conference, step back and carefully consider what other sessions are available. Challenge yourself to try something new, expand your comfort zone and explore a subject where you may have more to learn. Don't worry — the "safe" sessions that fit neatly into your conference routine are always easy to find.

Over the coming year, I encourage you to visit the IACRL website (<http://iacrl.net>), where we will begin listing library professional development opportunities at the state, regional and national levels. You are invited to submit conference dates, grant and funding resources, service opportunities and other ideas! It is my hope that the establishment of this new resource will provide an ongoing service for the membership and help us all to work toward the development of our profession, our institutions and ourselves. Have a great and productive year!

Best Regards,
Hunt Dunlap,
IACRL President, 2008-09

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ies-academic, public, school and special-and regional library systems and museums with libraries are eligible for funding.

To see a list of all recipients, log on to: <http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/press/2008/august/lstagrants.pdf>.

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In addition to his many university responsibilities, Lanham has served on the Lincoln Trails Library System Board of Directors since 2004 and was elected to the CARLI Board of Directors in 2008. He has also made significant contributions to the Illinois State Library, serving on a variety of committees and acting as a Synergy mentor.

Lanham served as president of the Illinois Library Association in 2004-2005, and has been on numerous ILA committees. He encourages his staff and academic colleagues to share their experiences in person and in professional publications, and is a frequent conference presenter himself. Lanham has presented at conferences worldwide, including such countries as Costa Rica, El Salvador, Peru and South Korea. He is a strong advocate for international librarianship and the Mortensen Center for International Library Programs. Booth Library has, under Lanham's leadership, hosted many international librarians and exhibits on foreign countries.

As primary investigator for the "Art and Architecture in Illinois Libraries" Library Services and Technology Act grant, Lanham and his staff developed an exhibit that traveled to 65 academic public libraries highlighting selected works. In August, he presented a paper based on the work supported by the grant at the International Federation of Library Associations conference in Quebec.

Dr. Lanham will receive his award at the Illinois Library Association Conference awards ceremony at 4 p.m., Thursday, September 25th, at Navy Pier in Chicago. He will also be recognized at the IACRL Business Luncheon the same day.

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Retirees

Becky Houghton, Library Services Director, is retiring after over 30 years of service to *Illinois Central College*.

Rita Stalzer retired from *Loyola University Chicago*, effective July 1, 2008, after 40 years at Loyola in different positions within the library. During the last several years she was reference librarian/bibliographer for Theology, Philosophy, Classical Studies, Pastoral Studies and Women's Studies.

Upcoming NILRC Conference

“Web and Library 2.0: Enhancing Student Engagement in Online Education” will be sponsored by NILRC on November 19, 2008, from 12:00-4:00 PM at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel, Decatur, IL.

Professor **Raymond Schroeder**, Professor Emeritus and Director, Office of Technology Enhanced Learning, University of Illinois at Springfield, will present the keynote address. His talk will be followed by a panel discussion by librarians, distance learning directors, information technology specialists and a student services practitioner (*panel members to be announced soon*).

The preconference focus will be student-centered learning. Web 2.0 and Library 2.0 will be explored not only in their technological context, but in their wider application to pedagogical principles, learning environments, and institutional collaboration.

For registration information, please check updates on the IACRL List and the NILRC Website. For additional information contact Lisa Sikora Isikora@nilrc.org.

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