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Ullendorf and Shaw Recipients of Mississippi Library Associations Awards at Annual Conference

Janessa Ullendorf, Media and Circulation Specialist at the Gulf Coast Library, was the recipient of the Mary Julia Anderson Award at the 2019 Mississippi Library Association (MLA) Conference, held in Jackson from October 22 through 25.

The Mary Julia Anderson Award recognizes a paraprofessional member of MLA for contributions in planning and promoting library programming or services; increasing public knowledge and understanding of library and professional resources, needs, and uses; promoting the development and recognition of the paraprofessional as an important and vital member of the library workforce; encouraging discussion, activities and programs which support the Mississippi Library Association and its members; acting as a stimulus to make Mississippi Library Association more responsive to paraprofessional concerns; and supporting

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Item of the Month



Each month, Special Collections highlights an item from its collections. This month, we are featuring the 2015 Southerner, a full-color, 224-page tribute to Southern Miss and its students. To view the 2015 *Southerner* or other yearbooks, visit Special Collections at The University of Southern Mississippi or view them in our [USM Yearbooks Digital Collection](#). For more information, contact Jess Clark at 601.266.5776 or J.M.Clark@usm.edu.

and maintaining a cooperative relationship among paraprofessionals and other library staff.



Joyce Shaw, Gunter Library Director at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL) received a public relations award for the internal newsletter, *Gunter Library News*. The

award goes to a newsletter who best represents the library's public relations activities.

Gunter Library News highlights current events and happenings at the Gunter Library and is distributed monthly to faculty, staff and students at GCRL.

Congratulations to Janessa and Joyce for their hard work and dedication to University Libraries.



Special Collections is accepting applications to serve as a student curator for the spring 2020 semester. The student curator program teaches students how to select items for display, install the materials, write labels and exhibit text, and publicize the exhibit.

Three students will be selected to work with a librarian to create a one-case exhibit featuring materials from Special Collections. This opportunity is available to all Southern Miss undergraduate and graduate students, and applications will be accepted through November 4. [Click to apply.](#)

McCain Library Renovation Update

Phase two of the McCain Library envelope repair project began the week of October 28. As a result, the south side entryway has reopened, but access to the building on the north side will no longer be available. Those with mobility issues are able to enter from the entrance on the west side of the building.

Special Collections will continue normal operating hours during construction. Weather dependent, the renovations will be completed and all entries will reopen in December.

If you have questions, please contact Lorraine Stuart, Head of Special Collections and Curator of Historical Manuscripts and Archives, at Lorraine.Stuart@usm.edu or 601.266.4117.

FOOD FOR FINES

BENEFITTING THE EAGLE'S NEST FOOD PANTRY

SUPPORT THE EAGLE'S NEST FOOD PANTRY WITH DONATIONS TO CANCEL YOUR LIBRARY FINES. MAKE YOUR DONATIONS AT THE COOK LIBRARY CIRCULATION DESK FROM NOVEMBER 4 THROUGH DECEMBER 6.
1 ITEM = \$1 IN FINES



Help us form a chain of volunteers to pass donated items from Cook Library to the Eagle's Nest in The Hub basement. The Eagle Food Chain will form at 2 p.m. on Thursday, December 5 in front Cook Library.

THE NEST'S TOP NEEDS

Canned milk
Canned tuna or chicken
Spaghetti or macaroni noodles
Mac and cheese

Fruit cups
Spaghetti sauce
Microwaveable non-frozen meals
Peanut butter

University Archives Hosts Dixie Darlings for Annual Homecoming Reunion

Each year, the Dixie Darlings alumnae association reunites in Hattiesburg during homecoming weekend. On Saturday, October 12, more than 130 current and former members celebrated 65 years and viewed items on display from the Dixie Darling historical collection.

Over the years, the Dixie Darlings have made numerous gifts to their collection, including the uniform worn by Freddie Taylor in the 1950s.

In addition to a visit to Special Collections, the Dixie Darlings' homecoming schedule includes the homecoming parade, tailgating, scholarship presentation, eagle walk and a performance at halftime of the football game.





Investigation of the Paranormal Focus of Science Cafe' on the Coast

On Tuesday, October 29, Mississippi Gulf Coast Paranormal (MGCParanormal) presented "Science: the Hidden Paranormal Tool." Members of MGCParanormal provided information about the history of paranormal investigation and discussed their investigative tools, then and now. Following the presentation, those in attendance were able to experiment with MGCParanormal's equipment in the library.

Science Café offers those with minimal background in science the opportunity to meet and discuss issues in a relaxed social setting and is a collaboration between The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Libraries, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Harrison County Library System, Long Beach Public Library, and Hancock County Library System.

