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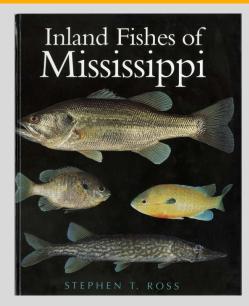
University Libraries Receives Two Grants from Jimmy A. Payne Foundation

University Libraries received two grants from the Jimmy A. Payne Foundation, totaling \$83,000. Grants were awarded to Public Services and Library Technology to provide greater opportunities for the University's faculty, staff, students, alumni, and researchers to access the services and collections provided in University Libraries.

Librarians in Public Services received a grant award for \$33,000 to establish a three-month fellowship for graduates of the School of Library and Information Science. The fellowship will be offered twice each year, in the spring and summer, with residencies at Cook Library and the Gulf Coast Library.

Library Technology was awarded a \$50,000 grant to enhance the Libraries' digital lab. This funding will be used to purchase flatbed scanners, transparency lids, high-end computers, monitors, and memory and will allow for old equipment to be rotated out, increasing production quality, and providing students experience with current hardware likely to be encountered in the field.

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Electronic Access to *Inland Fishes of Mississippi* Available

University Libraries is providing free electronic access to *Inland Fishes of Mississippi*, an out-of-print book written in 2001 by Dr. Stephen T. Ross, professor emeritus of biological sciences. *Inland Fishes of Mississippi* remains a valuable resource for educators at Southern Miss and is now available through Aquila, the University's institutional repository.

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Shoutout to...



Jennifer Brannock Curator of Rare Books and Mississippiana

Jennifer Brannock has been elected the American Library Association's representative to the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions' Local History and Genealogy Section. The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions is the leading international body representing the interests of library and information services and their users. It is the global voice of the library and information profession.

Spotlight On... Brooke Cruthirds, Assistant Curator, de Grummond Collection



Favorite part of your job? The favorite part of my job is researching answers people have regarding our collections. Each new question is an opportunity for me to pull out a one-of-a-kind collection to find the answer they need. Chances are, I've never seen the contents before so it's almost like an archival treasure hunt every time.

What is your proudest accomplishment? Raising children who love to read and think for themselves.

Which talent would you most like to have? The ability to speak in public. Most prized possession? My trove of family photographs and recipes. Something most don't know about you? I'm a published author.

If you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?Apple dumplings. Something you hate but wish you loved? Working out. Something you wish you could do really well? Speak French.



Jalynn Quibell is Cook Library's new stacks management supervisor. Jalynn has over six years of experience in stacks maintenance, including nearly four years as a stacks student assistant at Cook Library. She is currently working on a bachelor's degree and plans to earn her Master's of Library and Information Science to pursue a career in libraries.



Jamie Stanfield, formerly the science nursing and health librarian for the Gulf Coast Library, is now the business and health librarian and online learning coordinator. In this new role, Jamie will serve both the Hattiesburg and the Gulf Park campuses as the business librarian and offer support to online students to ensure they have the same services and opportunities as students oncampus.



Jessica Clark has been named the assistant curator in historical manuscripts. Jessica began her career in Special Collections as a student worker in 2006. In 2010, she was hired as the records management specialist, where she has been instrumental in establishing and maintaining a campus-wide records management program that has served as a basis for the state's Institutions of Higher Learning. She is currently

pursuing a Masters of Library and Information Science.

