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## From the GAs, Congratulations, Publications, and Presentations

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## From the GAs:



Newest SLIS GAs Sarah Himel, Jessica Whipple

Sarah Himel is a dual Anthropology/MLIS major with an interest in archives and museums. She served an internship at the Louisiana State Museum in New Orleans and Baton Rouge. Jessica Whipple is pursuing a MLIS degree as well as a Graduate Certificate in Youth Services & Literature. Jessica assists Dr. Yu with the medical informatics course and has an interest in medical librarianship as well as youth services.

Southern Miss College of Education & Psychology SLIS Scholars for 2013-14 are: Rob Richards, Cole Smith, and Jessica Whipple.

<https://www.usm.edu/education-psychology/scholars>

At the Southern Miss Graduate Research Symposium, Mar. 28, USM Thad Cochran Center:

- Graduate Senator & GA Preston Salisbury chaired several sessions
- MLIS student & GA Callie Wiygul won the SLIS research award for "A Bibliometric Analysis of YA Literature in Scholarly LIS Journals" (paper completed in LIS 651: Intro to Info Science).

### Practicum at the Hattiesburg Public Library

by Rob Richards

One of the greatest aspects in working on a MLIS degree is the opportunity to use the skills and knowledge that you have obtained during your

various classes to practical use. Within our degree program there are practicum opportunities that gives you real life experience with librarianship.

In the fall of 2013, the opportunity was presented to me to work as a practicum student at the Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County (<http://www.hpfc.lib.ms.us>).

The practicum not only gave me the chance to broaden my knowledge of the profession but to expand my professional expertise in the realm of public librarianship.

Under the direction of my supervisor Jessica Herr (MLIS 2011) my introduction to the realm of public librarianship was not only fulfilling but an eye-opening experience. There were a variety of different avenues taken during the course of my workday. At times many hours were spent pouring over hundreds of reels of microfilm to find a specific item for a patron. At other times it was helping a patron create their first email account. At times the job entailed calling patrons in reference about a book they placed on hold, while at other times helping Jessica with the weeding process.

During my time at the Hattiesburg Public Library I learned not only a great deal in regard to public librarianship but a great deal of knowledge about myself.



A library practicum, LIS 689, requires 150 hours of work in a library (<http://ocean.otr.usm.edu/~w146169/689syllabus.htm>).

## Congratulations SLIS Students

At Mississippi Library Association Annual Conference in Biloxi in October, Phillip Carter II was awarded the Peggy May Scholarship; Marsha Belton, the Virginia Brocks-Shedd Scholarship; and Callie Wiygul, the Beta Phi Mu Scholarship.



LaTrisha Blunt has been awarded a 2014 Summer Transportation Internship at the Federal Highway Administration Research Library, Washington, D.C. <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/research/library/>

Molly Brough, Assistant Customer Service Librarian at Memphis Public Library Frayser Branch, is reference representative for adult services and programming.

Phillip Carter is Director, Bolivar County Library System, Cleveland, MS.

Elizabeth Ann Gomez is Teen Librarian, Livingston Parish Library System, LA.

Dee Horn Hare has been selected as the new Assistant Director of Technology and Branch Operations, Northeast Regional Library System, Corinth, MS.



Erin Moulds, who recently completed Dr. Stewart's advance cataloging course, is Catalog Librarian at USM Cook Library.

Tammie Terry is Branch Manager of Madison Public Library, Madison, MS.

## Congratulations SLIS Alums

Congratulations to recipients of SLIS Awards for Scholarship, Professionalism, Service: Jeannie Ferris (MLIS 2013), the Warren Tracy Award; Alexandra Snyder (LIS BA 2013) the Anna M. Roberts Award.

Soyoung Ahn (MLIS 2013) is Trak Library & Records Data Analyst, Louisiana Dept. of Transportation & Development.

Alexandra Aldridge (MLIS 2013) is Technical Services Coordinator, Dothan Houston County Library System, Dothan, AL.

Patsy Brewer (MLIS 1990), Director of Waynesboro-Wayne County Library, was elected Vice-President of the Mississippi Library Association.

Sheila Cork (MLIS 2002), Librarian, New Orleans Museum of Art, is President of the Art Libraries Society of North America – Southeast.

Jeannie Ferriss (MLIS 2013), Library Director, Yellowstone Christian College, Billings, MT, is Associate Editor of *The Christian Librarian*.

Paige Garrison (MLIS 2013) is Youth Services Reference Librarian, Aurora Central Library, CO.

Antoinette Giamalva (MLIS 2012) is Access Services Librarian, Delta State Univ., Cleveland, MS.

Laura Anne Heller (MLIS 2004) is Branch Manager of Raymond Public Library, Raymond, MS

Jesse Kelley (MLIS 2009) is Instructional Resources Center Librarian, Delta State Univ., Cleveland, MS.

Jaclyn Lewis (MLIS 2013), Youth Services Director, Madison County Library System, is project coordinator for a 2014 Summer Reading Resources Grant by YALSA & Dollar General Literacy Foundation.

Jody Perkins (MLIS 2005) is Director, Madison County Library System, MS.

Armistead Reasoner (MLIS 2011) is Reference Librarian, Bluffton Public Library, Bluffton, SC.

Hillary Hamblin Richardson (MLIS 2013) is Assistant Professor/Humanities Research Librarian, Mississippi State University, Starkville.

James Stephen Parks (MLIS 2013), Research, Instructional Services & Circulation Librarian, Miss. College School of Law, Jackson, is Director of the Legislative History Project, an American Association of Law Libraries double-award winner: Innovations in Technology Award & Public Access Top Government Information Award. The Legislative History Project video archive of Miss. legislative debate: <http://law.mc.edu/legislature/>



James Pinkard (MLIS 2013) is Director, Covington County Library System, MS.

Kent Sanchez (MLIS 2008) is Circulation Supervisor/ Public Services Librarian, Colorado Mesa University.

Jessica Stauffer (MLIS 2012) is working in Circulation at Lodi Memorial Library, NJ.

Patti Turner (MLIS 2013) is Reference/Instruction Librarian, Lyons Memorial Library, College of the Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO.

Erin Waller (MLIS 2006), Director of the Saline County Library, was featured in "Libraries Thank Patrons with Week's Worth of Activities," *Arkansas Online*. <http://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2014/apr/13/libraries-thank-patrons-weeks-worth-activities/?print>

Daniel E. Wilson (MLIS 2012) is Director, South University Library, Montgomery, AL.

Kelly Wilson (MLIS 2012) is Collection Development Librarian, Alabama State University Library, Montgomery.

Erin Wimmer (Dual MLIS/Poli Sci, 2012) is Teaching/Learning Librarian, Eccles Health Sciences Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

## 2014 Commemorating Freedom Day

Under advisement of Dr. Kevin Greene, Ph.D. History Candidate Shane Hand (Dual History/MLIS 2011) organized and directed a commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of Hattiesburg's Freedom Day. On Jan. 22, 2014, the group "Remembering Now, for '64" assembled about 200 persons from USM and the local community to reenact the Civil Rights march.

According to Shane, there were two objectives in commemorating this event. First, to recognize and honor the contribution of local Civil Rights activists. Second, to use the opportunity to make their own protest; they called for a monument to be erected on the front lawn of the Forrest County Courthouse in memory of Freedom Day (which was a kick-off event for what became Freedom Summer). The Mayor's office will meet with the group to begin a discussion of how to move forward with the monument.

A short documentary film on the event and the commemoration of Freedom Day is in production. "Remembering Now, for '64" group includes Dr. Kevin Greene, Allan Branstiter, Shane Hand, Don Holmes III, Dawne Kennedy, John Mangipano, Hayden McDaniel, Darryl Robertson, and Callie Wiygul. Read more about Freedom Day in the Southern Miss student newspaper, *The Student Printz*, Jan. 23, 2014.

The Student Printz  
Thursday, January 23, 2014  
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Volume 96 Issue 29

### LOCAL

## We remember '64: Hattiesburg hosts Freedom Day March

Crystal Garner  
Photo: Heather

Old hopes resurged, long from the intersection of State and Main streets, as marching supporters of Hattiesburg's Freedom Day March gathered for local civil rights veterans' Wednesday morning.

The crowd assembled on the streets of Hattiesburg, Miss., for the 50th anniversary of the Freedom March. Participants included local civil rights veterans and their families, as well as students and community members. The march was held on the streets of Hattiesburg, Miss., on Wednesday morning.

According to Don Holmes, who presided over the ceremony at the intersection of State and Main streets, the Freedom March was a pivotal moment in the history of Hattiesburg. Holmes said the march was a bold statement.

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### LOCAL

## Faces of Freedom Summer

Ardan Thornhill  
Photo: Heather

Four faces were captured in a photograph, a portrait of a woman, a man, a woman, and a man. They were the faces of Freedom Summer, the 1964 campaign to register African American voters in the South. The photograph captures the spirit of the movement, the courage and determination of the participants.

Freedom Summer was a pivotal moment in the history of the Civil Rights Movement. It was a time when thousands of volunteers, both African American and white, traveled to the South to help African Americans register to vote. The movement was met with violence and intimidation, but it ultimately led to the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

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<http://issuu.com/thestudentprintz>



## 2013 Mississippi Library Leadership Class

The Mississippi Library Commission recently announced the graduating class of 2013 of Mississippi Library Leadership Institute, a year-long program funded in part by an IMLS Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grant.

Project Director Jennifer Wann Walker (MLIS 2006) said, "Participation in the Institute is an intensive professional experience that requires a significant commitment of time and energy... it is also extremely rewarding and fun for participants who emerge from the program poised to position their libraries and communities for success in an increasingly complex, information-centric world."

2013 Mississippi Library Leadership Institute class:

- Blair Booker, Holmes Community College
- Jennifer Brannock, USM
- Brandon Cain, Mid-Mississippi Regional Library
- Phillip Carter, Bolivar County Library
- Sarah Crisler-Ruskey, Clarksdale Carnegie Public
- Sarah Dauterive, East Miss. Community College
- Melissa Dennis, University of Mississippi Library
- Lacy Ellinwood, Mississippi Library Commission
- Judy Greenwood, University of Mississippi
- Jessica Herr, Library of Hattiesburg, Petal
- Sylvia Leggette, Cardozo Middle School
- Molly McManus, Millsaps College
- Ally Mellon, Mississippi Library Commission
- Maggie Moran, NW Miss. Community College
- Jennifer Nabzdyk, Mississippi Library Commission
- Carol Phares, Pearl River County Library
- Victoria Penny, First Regional Library, Hernando
- Chameka Robinson, Univ. of Miss. Medical Center
- Randy Smith, Jackson-George Regional Library
- Jennifer Stephenson, Greenwood-Leflore Library
- Erin Busbea Stringer, Columbus-Lowndes Library
- Mara Villa, Central Mississippi Regional Library
- Ally Watkins, Central Mississippi Regional Library
- Heather Weeden, Miss. Baptist Historical Comm.
- Jeanette Whisenton, Jackson Public Schools
- Ryda Worthy, South Miss. Regional Library

## Congratulations to SLIS Faculty

Dr. Catharine Bomhold was awarded a \$2000 grant from Target Corporation for the Shared Reading and Children's Home Library Project, October 2013.

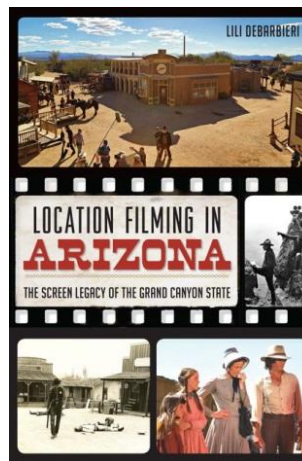
Dr. Catharine Bomhold and Dr. Stacy Creel were each awarded an Academic Service-Learning Faculty Fellowship from the Center for Community & Civic Engagement for spring 2014.

Dr. Stacy Creel was awarded the CoEP 2014 Outstanding Teaching Award and USM Improvement of Instruction Summer Grant. Dr. Creel, along with Dr. Claire Kimberly and Dr. Amanda Williams, was awarded a 2014 Committee on Services & Resources for Women (CSRW) Peggy Jean Connor Grant for the research project, "Women's Engagement with Online Erotica."

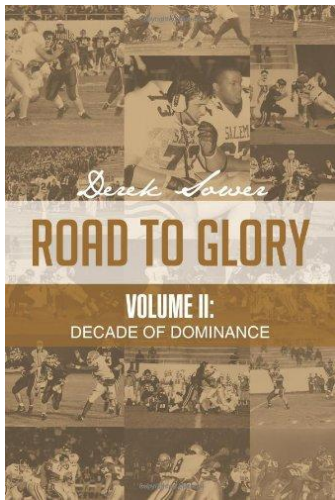
Dr. Matthew Griffis co-chairs the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Canadian Association of Information Science (CAIS) Conference, *Connecting across Borders: Globalization and Information Science Research*, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, May 28-30, 2014.

Dr. Cindy Yu will present "Strengthening the 21st Century Public Health Informatics: Outreach to the Future Public Health Professionals," Wed., April 16, 12 noon-1pm Eastern. NIH Beyond the SEA webinar is free and open to the public:  
<http://webmeeting.nih.gov/beyondthesea>

## Recent SLIS Faculty, Student, Alum Publications Books



Lili DeBarbieri (MLIS 2013),  
*Location Filming in Arizona:  
The Screen Legacy of the  
Grand Canyon State*  
<http://lilidebarbieri.com/>



MLIS student Derek Sower, *Road to Glory Volume II: Decade of Dominance* (2013), available in paperback or Kindle format.

*Synergy: A Journal for Graduate Student Research* 4(2/3): 79-126, Fall 2013.

- Preston Salisbury, Editorial Board
- Emily S. Simmons, "Knowledge Management and the LIS Field: A Bibliometric Research Paper"
- Don K. Mutchler, "A Bradford Analysis of the Scholarly Literature of Chinese Ethics Utilizing the Summon™ Discovery Tool"

### Recent SLIS Faculty, Student, Alum Presentations

ALISE Works-in-Progress Poster Session, Jan. 21, 2014, Philadelphia, PA:

- Dr. Brenton Stewart, "HBCU Libraries & Twitter: A Measure of Engagement with Social Media"
- Dr. Matthew Griffis, "The Virtual Library as Place: An Exploratory Study"
- Dr. Stacy Creel & Dr. Teresa S. Welsh, "A Survey of Student Perception on Course Activities for Online Community-Building."

In honor of Preschool Fitness Day on January 30th, Will Barber (MLIS 2013), Jackson Hinds Library System, read *Teddy the Hungry Little Bear* by Floyd Stokes to students at Medgar Evers Library in Jackson, led in fitness activities including parachute exercises then joined them in a snack of fruits/vegetables.



Image courtesy of Jackson Hinds Library System

Dr. Catharine Bomhold, "Mobile Access in Academic Libraries," Mid-South Distance Learning Conference, Memphis, TN, Oct. 23-26, 2013.

### Journal Articles

Dr. Stacy Creel & Dr. Teresa S. Welsh, "Virtual and Physical Connections: An Assessment of an LIS Online Program," *Global eLearning Journal* 3(4): 1-18, 2014.

Dr. Matthew Griffis, "Bricks, Mortar and Control: A Multicase Examination of the Public Library as Organization Space," *Advances in Library Administration and Organization* 32(1): 1-106, 2014.

Dr. Teresa S. Welsh & Dr. Stacy Creel, "Geographic Distribution of an Open Access e-Journal," *Information Services & Use* 32(2): 103-111, 2014.

Dr. Teresa S. Welsh, "Aesop through the Ages: An Examination of Aesop's Fables in the de Grummond Collection," *Mississippi Libraries* 77(1): 5-8, 2014.

Beth Branscome (MLIS 2011) master's research project, "Management of Electronic Serials in Academic Libraries: The Results of an Online Survey," *Serials Review* 39(4): 216-226, 2013.

Antoinette Giamalva (MLIS 2012), "Popularity of Young Adult Vampire Literature" based on master's project, *Mississippi Libraries* 76(3): 11-17, 2013.

Dr. Timothy Senapatiratne (MLIS 2013), "Reference Ethics: Theological Librarianship in Conversation with ALA Reference Ethics Guidelines" (LIS 501 reference paper), *Journal of Religious & Theological Information*, 12(1/2): 2-12, 2013.

Dr. Catharine Bomhold, "Discovery Functions in the Mobile Library Environment," University Research Awards Day Poster, Nov. 8, 2013, Hattiesburg, MS.

Dr. Stacy Creel, "Virtual Library Instruction: Tools and Tips," Library 2.013 Annual Conference Connected Librarians Day! Online Webinar, Oct. 14, 2013.

Dr. Stacy Creel, Dr. Brenton Stewart, & Dr. Teresa S. Welsh, "Virtual and Physical Connections: Innovative Teaching in an Online Program," LEC 2014 Educators Connect Conference, Mar. 4, Hattiesburg, MS.

Carnegie Library scholar Dr. Matthew Griffis lectured on the history of Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library, Carnegie Library Centennial Celebration, Ontario, Feb. 8, 2014.

Dr. Brenton Stewart & Dr. Xinyu (Cindy) Yu, "Pathways to Becoming an Effective Leader: Virgia Brocks-Shedd Program Panel," Mississippi Library Association Annual Conference, Biloxi, Oct. 17, 2013.

Dr. Teresa S. Welsh, "How to Find and Evaluate Free Online Resources," Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) Seminar, Mar. 28, 2014.  
<http://www.slideshare.net/drtwelsh/>

Jennifer Regel Parker (MLIS 1996), Magee High School Librarian, "Finding Awesome Information Text," MDE Making Connections Conference, June 2013, and online YA book reviews:  
<http://jealouslibrarian.wordpress.com/>

Gulf South History & Humanities Annual Conference, Oct. 10-12, 2013, Pensacola, FL:

- Shane Hand (Ph.D. History Candidate, Dual History/MLIS 2011), "Passing through Shades of Color: Mixed-Race Runaways in Mississippi"
- MLIS student Colleen Smith, "History through Literature: Race, Gender, and Local Color of Women Writers in Louisiana"
- MLIS student Stacie Watts, "Breaking Sphere along the Gulf Coast: 'Seccesh Ladies' Aid Societies and Espionage during the Civil War"

Callie Wiygul won the SLIS research award for "Publication Trends Related to Young Adult Literature in Scholarly LIS Journals" at the USM Graduate Student Research Symposium, Mar. 28, 2014.

In celebration of Women's History Month, the Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Library hosted the roundtable discussion, "Women of the Gulf Coast: A Historical Perspective," which featured presentations of historical research by MLIS students Colleen Smith and Stacie Watts, March 25, 2014.

Dr. Timothy Senapatiratne (MLIS 2013), Reference Librarian, Bethel Seminary, St. Paul, MN, will present "A Citation Analysis of Ecclesiastes Scholarship: A Test Case Using Citation Analysis in Biblical Studies" at the Annual Conference on Information and Religion Conference, Kent State University, June 6, 2014.

<http://digitalcommons.kent.edu/acir/2014/Three/7/>

On Mar. 27, 2014, Ellen Ruffin (MLIS 1998), Curator of de Grummond Children's Literature Collection and President of Friends of University Libraries Board, received the Gold Leaf Award for dedication to Southern Miss. The de Grummond Children's Literature Collection co-sponsors the Fay B. Kaigler Children's Book Festival each April in Hattiesburg (<https://www.usm.edu/childrens-book-festival>) and is co-sponsoring *Beyond Words: The Artistry of Illustrated Children's Books* exhibit at Oddfellows Gallery in Hattiesburg, April 3-30, 2014.

**Beyond Words**  
THE ARTISTRY OF ILLUSTRATED CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Pieces of original art by notable children's book illustrators are featured, including winners of the Caldecott Medal and Honor Books. Watercolor, woodcut, charcoal, die cut, pen and ink, collage, acrylic and gouache are mediums represented.

Artists featured: Marcia Brown, Tomie dePaola, Mo Willems, David Wiesner, Jessica Boehman, and Paul Zelinsky

April 3 - April 30, 2014  
**Oddfellows Gallery** (2nd Floor)  
119 E. Front St., Hattiesburg MS 39401  
Reception: April 3, at 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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