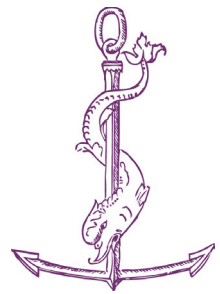


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IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Mary Alice Hunt

December 19, 2009



Dr. Mary Alice Hunt was the founding member of Gamma Chapter,
School of Library and Information Studies, Florida State University.

She retired after 44 years on the faculty.

Her contributions to the LIS field in service, scholarship, research and teaching are unmatched.

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Welcome Aboard!

Meet the New Beta Phi Mu Board Members



Diana Vogelsong

ASSOCIATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN & DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AND UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

As Associate University Librarian and Director of Public and University Relations, Ms. Vogelsong represents the library to other campus units and coordinates library public relations and outreach activities. She is a member of the Library Director's Council which coordinates library planning, assessment, budgeting and personnel. From January 2006 to August 2007 Ms. Vogelsong served as Acting University Librarian. She is a member of the Provost's Operating Council and the University's Online Learning Committee. She represents the library on the Washington Research Library Consortium Steering Committee and served as its chair in 2008.

Ms. Vogelsong's professional activities have centered on the arts and media in librarianship, with special interests in intellectual property and marketing. She is author of *Landscape Architecture in America: A Guide to Resources on the History and Practice of Landscape Architecture in the United States* (Detroit: Omnigraphics, 1997) which was selected as a Choice Outstanding Book for that year. She has published several book chapters, articles and reviews. She served on the library's Marketing Team which won the first ACRL Best Practices In Marketing Award in 2005 and was also part of a library team that won a national competition sponsored by 3M to promote self-checkout.

Ms. Vogelsong is a member of the American Library Association and the Association of College and Research Libraries. She also volunteers at the Sandy Spring Museum in Olney, Maryland.



Daria DeCooman

SR. MARKET ENGAGEMENT MANAGER
ELSEVIER



Having received her MLIS from SJSU in 2006, Daria now works in marketing for Elsevier. Her job entails serving as the editor for the Library Connect Newsletter and Library Connect practical assistance pamphlets (www.elsevier.com/libraryconnect). She also serves as the archivist for the San Diego Chapter of the Special Libraries Association.

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John M. Budd

PROFESSOR
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
SCHOOL OF INFORMATION SCIENCE & LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES

Like Bill Cosby, I started out as a child. Skipping ahead many years, I am now a Professor in the School of Information Science and Learning Technologies at the University of Missouri. I have also taught at Louisiana State University and the University of Arizona. One of my books is *Self Examination*, which was published as a Beta Phi Mu monograph. My inquiry includes academic libraries, the economics of information, scholarly communication, and philosophical aspects of librarianship and information.



Kaye Evitt Bray

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION STUDIES



Kaye Evitt Bray has been a member of Beta Phi Mu since 1995 and has served as the faculty advisor for the Beta Lambda chapter at Texas Woman's University (TWU) since 2004. She maintains a Beta Phi Mu website to assist TWU students and graduates in learning about the society and its activities. She received her Ph.D. in Information Science from the University of North Texas (UNT), where she also received her M.L.I.S. in the School of Library and Information Science and M.S. in Computer Education and Cognitive Systems. She is an Assistant Professor in the School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS) at TWU where she teaches courses related to school librarianship and technology. She is active in the Texas Library Association and is currently serving on the board of the Media and Related Technologies Round Table.

Beta Phi Mu Appoints New Editors for Monograph Series

The **BΦM** Monograph Series is a successor to the Chapbook Series (published from 1952-1989). Begun in 1990, this series is published by Greenwood Press for **BΦM**. Proceeds from the sale of titles in this series are used to support the annual ALA **BΦM** Award. For a listing of the titles in the series, please visit our website -- www.beta-phi-mu.org -- and click on Publications > Monograph Series. **BΦM** acknowledges and appreciates the willingness of Lorraine J. Haricombe and Keith Russell to serve as co-editors for the Monograph Series.



Lorraine J. Haricombe is the Dean of the University of Kansas Libraries, which serves more than 25,000 students and 1,300 faculty members. KU Libraries include 4 million volumes and 33,000 current serial titles housed in seven library facilities on the Lawrence and Overland Park campuses.

Prior to joining KU in 2006, she was Dean of Libraries at Bowling Green State University for five years. She previously served in administrative positions in the libraries at Northern Illinois University and Peninsula Technikon in the Republic of South Africa. She holds doctoral and master's degrees in library and information science from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. She also holds a teacher certification from the University of South Africa, an honors graduate degree in library and information science from the University of the Western Cape in South Africa and a bachelor's degree in library and information science, psychology and sociology from the University of the Western Cape.

A South Africa native, Haricombe holds memberships in the American Library Association, the Association of College and Research Libraries, the Library Leadership and Management Association and the Association of American University Women.



Keith Russell is librarian for life sciences, engineering, and general science at the University of Kansas (KU). Prior appointments include Dean of Libraries at KU, Deputy Director of the National Agricultural Library, and various positions at the Council on Library Resources (CLR), the University of Arizona, and the University of Texas at Austin.

Most of his recent publications have focused on organizational development in libraries. Prior editing experience includes co-editorship of three *Library Trends* issues and an editing role with the Bibliographic Service Development Program publication series at CLR.

His graduate library degree is from the University of Illinois (UI), and he has an M. S. (Botany) from UI and a B.S. (Biology) from Illinois State University. He is a member of the American Library Association, the Association of College and Research Libraries, the Library Leadership and Management Association, and the Organization Development Network.



Beta Phi Mu Chapter News

PI LAMBDA SIGMA CHAPTER @ SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY -- the oldest library science honorary in North America -- held its 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting and Initiation as a **BΦM** affiliate on May 9, 2009. Twenty new members were initiated at that time. We currently have 214 active, dues-paying members of the 849 initiated over just the last 25 years.



This year, we awarded one grant to defray the cost of a member attending ALA and representing the chapter at the **BΦM** annual meeting. This representative reports back to us on the National meeting. We have new members on our Scholarship and Loans Committee and plan to increase those grants to deserving students in the coming academic year. We are using the \$15.00 National rebate for initiates to wave first-year dues for initiates.

This year, we also awarded one grant to defray the cost of a member attending ALA and representing the Chapter at BPM's annual meeting. This representative reports back to us on the National meeting. We have new members on our Scholarship and Loans Committee and plan to increase those grants to deserving students in the coming academic year. We are using the \$15.00 National rebate for initiates to wave first-year dues for initiates. We continue to enhance our own Chapter website: <http://bpm.syr.edu/> Our website is linked to the Syracuse University iSchool website: <http://ischool.syr.edu/> to create accessibility to our scholarships and interest-free loans. Our website and link to the iSchool also increases student awareness of our academic membership basis to encourage academic excellence among current students. We work closely with our faculty advisor and BPM member Dr. Megan Oakleaf, and MSLIS Director Dr. Scott Nicholson, also a BPM member.

BPM Chapter News *(continued)*

In preparation for the Millennium celebration, **BΦM** National asked each chapter to nominate a member of their local library community for national recognition as a pioneer in library science. Our chapter nominated Dr. Robert S. Taylor, Pi Lambda Sigma member and Dean Emeritus of the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University. Dean Taylor was the visionary founder of the modern information school and of education for today's library science students. Dean Taylor passed away in January at the age of 90, but his ideas and writings continue to revolutionize our profession. Our Chapter will be honoring his work with a contribution to the Robert and Fay Taylor Scholarship at the iSchool. We honored his memory at our Annual Meeting.

Our Chapter holds four in-person Executive Board meetings a year, maintains a balanced membership on the Board to reflect academic, school, public, and special library representation, and plans our annual meeting and initiation ceremony to coincide with Graduation Weekend in May. Much of our work is by email, but local members are encouraged to serve a term on the Board.

Our officers are Linda Galloway, President; Abby Kasowitz-Sheer, Past President; Michelle Coombs, Vice President/President-Elect; Susan Slenker, Corresponding Secretary; Suzanne Preate, Treasurer; Andrea Rabbia, Membership Chair; Katheryn Buturia, Scholarship Chair; At Large members Gary Maggi, Sandra Zajac. We are currently recruiting two additional members. To assure continuity, our Board members serve two-year terms.



Pi Lambda Sigma faces the same challenge other chapters face in that many of our initiates, and therefore potential working Board members, are distance learning graduates or move away from the Syracuse area soon after graduation. We do maintain a listserv of all members for communication, but local on-site participation is essential to the smooth running of our chapter. We also keep in close contact with the Program Director at the National Office.

--Submitted by Linda Galloway, President and Susan Slenker, Corresponding Secretary

BPM Chapter News *(continued)*

On November 19, 2009, the **OMICRON CHAPTER @ RUTGERS UNIVERSITY** hosted its 5th Annual Fall Lecture at Alexander Library. Guest speaker Dr. Michael Stephens entertained, engaged, and energized the assembled crowd of library students, librarians, and faculty with his presentation “Building the Hyperlinked Library in Times of Change.” Michael Stephens, Ph.D., is Assistant Professor in the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Dominican University in Illinois. A Library Journal “Mover and Shaker” and author of the popular blog “Tame the Web” <<http://tametheweb.com>>, he is an international speaker recognized for his commitment to building connections both human and technological and his exploration of the evolving library. The event was co-sponsored by Rutgers University Libraries <http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/lib/alex_lib/alex_lib.shtml>, the Department of Library and Information Science, School of Communication and Information at Rutgers <<http://comminfo.rutgers.edu/>>, the Rutgers University School of Communication and Information Alumni Association<<http://comminfo.rutgers.edu/alumni/>>, and the New Jersey Center for the Book <http://www.njcenterforthebook.org/>>. Learn more about the Hyperlinked Library at <http://tametheweb.com/speaking/the-hyperlinked-library/> . For Michael’s thoughts on the talk he presented for the Omicron Chapter and for a link to his presentation, see <http://tametheweb.com/2009/11/30/thanks-rutgers-beta-phi-mu-sci/> Thank you, Michael, for an inspiring evening! *Submitted by Melissa A. Hofman, Chapter Vice President.*



A view of the audience before the start of Michael Stephens’ presentation.

BPM Chapter News *(continued)*



Faculty advisor to the Omicron Chapter and Associate Professor Marie Radford with Michael Stephens.



Omicron Chapter with Michael Stephens. From L-R: Susan Quinn, President; Hope Preston, Past President; Melissa A. Hofmann, Vice President; Michael Stephens; Maureen Smyth, Secretary; Kris Fitzpatrick, Treasurer.

BPM Chapter News *(continued)*

The **RHO CHAPTER @ KENT STATE UNIVERSITY** and ALSSO held a social mixer at Ray's Place in Kent on September 18, 2009. About thirty people attended and a great time was had by all. President Kathryn Feeley and Vice President Eric Linderman also manned the **BΦM** booth under the SLIS tent during Homecoming on October 10, 2009. President Kathryn Feeley and past president Cari Dubiel spoke at SLIS's New Student Orientation on August 24, 2009. They met a number of new students interested in putting in the effort required to be nominated for **BΦM**. We hope they will all join our ranks at the end of their programs.

In light of the budget cuts in Ohio public libraries, as well as the country's overall economic climate, **BΦM** Rho will offer a free continuing education workshop this winter covering resume tips and interviewing skills. For maximum participation, we are looking into the possibility of hosting the workshop using DimDim web meeting software. Look for more details next year. In the meantime, please feel free to submit your ideas for continuing education to the officers at bpmrho@gmail.com.

Matt Swift reports: "I was inducted into **BΦM** Rho chapter in the spring of 2008. Since my graduation I had a very hard time finding gainful employment. However, I am excited to announce that, as of August 2009, I have become the Academic Advisor/Program Coordinator for the Film Studies Program at the Ohio State University. This is a very exciting opportunity for me because the walls of my office are currently lined in the 16mm's film that I helped save from destruction as an undergraduate intern at OSU and volunteer while at Kent State. The project to help catalog, provide access to, and preserve the multiple film collections of the previously defunct and now reborn Film Studies Program at Ohio State University is what inspired me to attend Kent State University with a focus in digital and physical collections management. Aside from my advisor and coordinator duties I am in the beginning stages of offering an online finding aid system that can help faculty and students gain access to the many collections that are currently housed throughout the individual departments at the University. Many of these film collections are not currently searchable and have no plans to be integrated into the University's library system. Who knows maybe one day we will be able to offer some of the materials through online access so the world can see some of these films that have long since been forgotten. I couldn't ask for anything better than this." *The current Rho Chapter officers are: Kathryn M. Feeley, President Eric Linderman, Vice President, and Lisa Bruckner, Secretary/Treasurer.*



The **ALPHA CHAPTER @ UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN** 2009 Annual Meeting was convened by Sandra K. Roe, chapter President on November 7, 2009. The meeting was held in the Illinois Conference Center on campus. The initial phase of the meeting was the initiation of eighteen new members of whom four were present. This was followed by a business meeting which included the reading of the minutes from last year's meeting and the treasurer's report by William T. Henderson, chapter Secretary. The report concluded with a recommendation that the chapter give \$3,000.00 to the Graduate School of Library and Information Science to be used for stipends or scholarships for individuals participating in the school's Alternative Spring Break Program next year. These individuals will spend the Spring Break working in libraries, archives and related agencies to make a contribution to these agencies, sharing in their work, shadowing individuals and gaining on-site experience. Both the treasurer's report and this recommendation were approved unanimously by the assembled membership. After lunch, Elizabeth Hearne, Professor-emerita of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, was introduced by Julia Derden. Ms. Hearne spoke on the place of story in the lives of individuals, her title being "A Narrative Compass: Stories That Guide Our Lives." The group received her presentation with a standing round of applause. *Submitted by William T. Henderson, Secretary*

BPM Chapter News *(continued)*

Activities and Accomplishments of the **BETA BETA EPSILON CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN @ MADISON**: The 2009 Jack A. Clarke Scholarship was awarded to Kathryn Scanlan. Judith Louer headed the scholarship committee. Terry Ross and Trisha Prosis joined her in the selection process. Ten students applied for the scholarship, a similar number to last year's applicant pool.

The annual meeting and program was held in May at the Pyle Center. Gwendolyn Prellwitz, Acting Director of the American Library Association Office for Diversity, was the guest speaker. Her presentation was titled "Aspirational Leadership: Defining Diversity and Leadership for Ourselves and Our Communities." Nineteen new members of Beta Beta Epsilon were initiated (including five in absentia). Outstanding Student Scholar Catherine Phan and scholarship recipient Kathryn Scanlan also addressed the group.

The treasurer's report, submitted by Dee Grimsrud, reflected financial health for the chapter. No changes to the bylaws were proposed. This being the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Beta Beta Epsilon Chapter of **BΦM**, we commemorated the event with a champagne toast. Lia Vellardita was elected as the new President-Elect. Anne Rauh was elected as our new Vice President for Membership. Lexy Spry was elected as the new Secretary. Christine Pawley will continue as the Faculty Liaison. *Submitted by Nikki Busch, President, 2008-09.*



The **GAMMA CHAPTER @ FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY** held its annual meeting on Friday evening, October 30, 2009 as a precursor to the FSU College of Communication & Information Homecoming Breakfast and Convocation which took place the next morning.

Kathy Burnett and Michelle Kazmer, the co-editors of the *Journal of Education for Library & Information Science* (JELIS) acknowledged Gamma Chapter's contribution to JELIS's scholarly papers recognition award in JELIS -- volume 50, issue 4. Thanks in part to Gamma's efforts, authors of the five best papers from the 2009 ALISE conference will receive honoraria of \$100 and these manuscripts are available in the final 50th anniversary issue of JELIS.

Gamma Chapter is planning to implement a mentoring program for new initiates. Each mentor will volunteer to be available several times per year to counsel one new member. Counsel can be given in person, by phone, or by email, and every effort will be made to match the skills and interests of mentors and mentees. *Submitted by Nicole D. Alemanne, Secretary/Treasurer.*



Bob Branciforte, who this past summer admirably served as intern at Beta Phi Mu headquarters, celebrates his membership in Beta Phi Mu. Bob will serve as Gamma Chapter Treasurer.

Dates & Deadlines



ALA MidWinter Meeting
January 15-19, 2010
Boston Convention & Exhibition Center



SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Four **BΦM** Scholarships and up to six Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships are awarded each year to qualified candidates.

ATTENTION APPLICANTS

This year, for the first time, application forms must be downloaded from the Beta Phi Mu website (www.beta-phi-mu.org) and submitted electronically via email to betaphimuinfo@admin.fsu.edu. The same goes for recommendation letters. This will simplify the application process and conserve resources.

Applications for 2010 scholarships and fellowships are accepted beginning November 15.

Policies & Procedures

CHANGE OF CHAPTER AFFILIATION FORM

Singer-Songwriter Carole King had a hit back in the '70s with her song *So Far Away*. Her lyric, "Doesn't anybody stay in one place any more?" laments the difficulty in maintaining a relationship given the mobility of people living in a global society. Beta Phi Mu members certainly fit that bill! We are spread out across the planet!

If you have moved or are in the process of moving and would like to transfer your Beta Phi Mu membership to a chapter in your new vicinity, we have added a Change of Chapter Affiliation form on our website (www.beta-phi-mu.org). It's as easy as clicking on FORMS and printing out the Change of Chapter Affiliation Form (PDF). Simply fill out and mail the form to headquarters and we will put you in touch with the new chapter's representative. Please mail your completed form to:

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Florida State University
101H Louis Shores Building
142 Collegiate Loop
Tallahassee, FL 32306-2100



BETA PHI MU CHAPTER REBATE POLICY

We continue to receive occasional inquiries from chapters regarding the initiation fee rebate policy. Two years ago, the Executive Board voted to send chapters a 15% rebate once a year (July). Here's how it works: Let's say your chapter has ten new initiates. You would send in a list of initiates, ten completed membership forms, and **one check** in the amount of \$1,000 payable to Beta Phi Mu. In July, Headquarters will then send you a 15% rebate (For example, \$15.00 X 10 initiates = \$150). **Note:** Rebates will only be given to chapters, not to individuals who join at a later time. The rebate monies are to be used at the discretion of each chapter in support of ongoing chapter programs and activities.

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Congratulations Are In Order!
2009 Beta Phi Mu Scholarship Recipients

EUGENE GARFIELD DOCTORAL DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP

Bradley Wade Bishop • Florida State University

Dissertation Title: Chat reference and location-based questions:
A multi-method evaluation of a statewide chat reference consortium

Jennifer Crispin • University of Missouri

Dissertation Title: Discovering the social organization of school library work

Linda Most • Florida State University

Dissertation Title: The Rural Public Library as Place in North Florida: A Case Study

Zhixian (George) Yi • Texas Woman's University

Dissertation Title: The Management of Change in the Information Age:
Approaches of Academic Library Directors in the United States

HAROLD LANCOUR SCHOLARSHIP

Jessie A. Howell

SARAH REBECCA REED SCHOLARSHIP

Naomi Schemm

FRANK B. SESSA SCHOLARSHIP

Joshua Finnell

BLANCHE E. WOOLLS SCHOLARSHIP

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