President’s Message

My sincere thanks to CARL members for giving me the opportunity to serve you and the entire CARL organization. It is indeed an honor, and a joy, to be affiliated with such creative, thoughtful, and highly motivated professionals.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank former CARL Presidents, Jean Purnell (2005), Rod Rodriguez (2004), Judy Clarence (2003), John McGinnis (2002), and Deborah Schaeffer (2001), for being role models and providing wisdom gained from experience, ongoing support, and inspiration. In addition, I appreciate the entire CARL Board of Directors of the past few years for considering and implementing creative ideas from CARL members, as well as identifying additional issues to be discussed and acted upon.

I have several overarching goals for this 2006 CARL year, which include:

- Working with 2006 CARL Conference Planning Committee to guarantee an engaging, enriching, and thought-provoking conference. Also, I want it to be financially successful! To this end, I have been working to gain wider conference sponsorship by more vendors.
- Working with the newly created CARL Finances Council to ensure that the excellent financial planning work done during the past year continues. This includes: continuing to explore the programming goals and expectations of CARL members, and projecting revenues to meet these goals; and creating accurate annual budget projections.
- Continuing to explore ways to improve CARL avenues of communication throughout the organization to ensure that CARL members’ views and needs are understood and reflected in ongoing CARL planning. The Communications Committee will be considering several efforts including website redesign, creation of an interactive online membership survey, and other means to promote programs and services.
- Increasing Library Directors’ awareness of CARL and the importance of supporting librarian’s professional development efforts within the organization and profession.

As you will see, the March 2006 CARL Newsletter is a treasure trove of information on the upcoming CARL conference, the recent CARL election, past and forthcoming Interest Group activities, CARL Finances, CARL membership, as well as much more.

Conference planners have been hard at work planning and organizing a great conference experience for CARL members at Asilomar. Mardi Chalmers (CSUMB), Chair, Local Arrangements, and Locke Morrisey (USF), Chair,

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Conference Programming are working tirelessly with the conference planning committees to ensure an invigorating conference experience.

The recent CARL elections provided an opportunity for members to elect new CARL officers. John McGinnis and Kelly Janousek are to be applauded for the excellent work done on the membership list and electronic balloting. I would like to see a stronger voter turnout. I encourage you to send me creative ideas for “getting out the vote” for the next CARL election in the fall of 2006.

Our current membership count stands at approximately 600 with kudos to Membership Director Kelly Janousek for her ongoing efforts to promote CARL and increase our CARL membership.

Lastly, on behalf of the entire organization, thanks to all long time CARL members for the many contributions you make, not only to CARL, but also to your profession. To those of you new CARL, this is your organization. We need your ideas, your energy, and your creativity to make it all that it can be. Consider joining local Interest Groups, volunteering for committees, and providing leadership by running for a Board of Directors position.

Best wishes for the upcoming year and I look forward to seeing and talking with you next month at the Conference in Asilomar!

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**CARL Research Award**

CARL is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the 2006 CARL Research Award. The award was established to provide seed money to encourage CARL members engaged in research and/or publication efforts. The award total will be up to $1,500 to a single recipient or up to $2,000 to a group of two or more recipients. The award recipient(s) will be asked to provide a summary of the research undertaken for a CARL program, publication or conference.

**DEADLINE** for receipt of applications is April 28, 2005 at 5pm

For more information consult:

http://www.carl-acrl.org/Awards/Research/RAApplication.html

or contact Jacqueline Borin, Chair, 2006 Research Award Committee, 760-750-4336, jborin@csusm.edu.
**Latest CARL Conference Information**

With the 2006 CARL Conference at Asilomar fast approaching, now is a good time to bookmark the Conference Website at

http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/~ieyman/asilomar2006/

The Conference Website has information on the Conference schedule, as well as speakers, poster sessions and breakout sessions. There is a link to the CARL Conference News Blog with the most current information and announcements about the Conference. You can also find information on travel options and local attractions for those who want to plan side trips around the Conference. In short, your CARL Conference information needs can be met in one stop shopping. Hope to see you there!

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**CARL Pre-Conference:**

**Creative Strategies for Learning & Leading:**

**Learning Commons Planning, Implementation, & Outcomes**  
April 21, 2006 at Asilomar

In response to changing user expectations and funding formulas, California campuses have launched a variety of innovative learning ‘places’ and ‘spaces’ in libraries over the last decade. Our pre-conference survey indicates that many more institutions intend to do so. In response, this CARL pre-conference will explore a wide range of issues surrounding planning, implementing, and evaluating Information Commons and Learning Commons – taking participants from intention to reality.

Interested? Then come to an innovative & enlightening series of presentations by professionals who have planned and implemented learning spaces in a variety of academic contexts, followed by a lively ‘participant driven’ afternoon discussion on creative, sustainable approaches for planning, implementing and innovatively managing these spaces.

In the morning plenary session, Jill McKinstry (University of Washington U-Wired initiative and Head, Odegaard Undergraduate Library, University of Washington Libraries) will provide an informed and energetic overview on the national scene. Following this, California presenters will offer uniquely different operational models for the ‘commons’ concept. Confirmed speakers include Shahla Bahavar (USC), Jenn Stringer (Stanford University), and Mary M. Somerville (Cal Poly).

After lunch, the afternoon plenary speaker, Pat Maughan from the Moffitt Library’s Mellon Faculty Institute for Undergraduate Research at the UC Berkeley, will tell their story - from information literacy baseline studies to information resource-based curriculum transformation.

This pre-conference also encourages networking among attendees. So come – and bring your business cards too!
Interest Groups Meeting at the CARL Conference

During the CARL Conference at Asilomar, April 20-23, the following Interest Groups are planning to meet over lunch. The meetings are scheduled to take place during lunch on Saturday, April 22. Each Interest Group will meet at a lunch table reserved for them. For more information on the issues that will be addressed by each Group, please contact the individual Chair listed.

ABLE-Both North and South, Linda Heichman-Taylor, Chair, lhtaylor@fullerton.edu
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SEAL-South, Hannah Walker, President, hmw@library.ucla.edu

Save the Date - Saturday, May 13, 2006

SEAL-South presents: Excellent Adventure: Along the Ventura Highway
Description: SEAL-South Excellent Adventure to CSU Channel Islands Library in Camarillo followed by a guided hike at the Chumash Interpretive Center in Thousand Oaks. Both destinations are part of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. This is a family friendly program with easy walks and interesting speakers.

Revitalizing CALM South

Are you a library manager or administrator? Need a forum besides watching Dr. Phil to discuss issues of interest, such as recruitment and retention, leadership development, time management, team building and mentoring, conflict management, group decision-making, measuring and assessment, and employee satisfaction?

It’s time to revive the CALM Interest Group – South (Librarians in Management)!
For those interested in attending or contributing in any way (!) to an inaugural planning meeting, please contact Vicki Bloom at Vicki.Bloom@ucr.edu or 951-827-5895.
ABLE North & South Luncheon at Asilomar

We will be meeting at the CARL Conference in Asilomar for lunch with members of ABLE-South on Saturday April 22nd. We hope to see you there.

Please RSVP to Sharon Radcliff, Chair ABLE-North, sradclif@stmarys-ca.edu, (925) 631-4413 or to Doug Highsmith, Vice-Chair of ABLE-North, at doug.highsmith@csueastbay.edu

We will be discussing having a joint web page and Listserve with ABLE-South. We will also discuss the possibility of merging the two groups into one. Other topics will include ways to serve the broader librarian community with our web page and /or via webinars and tutorials. we will also discuss programming possibilities.

If you are not planning to be in Asilomar and you have ideas that you would like to have forwarded to the group please contact me. Also, if you are interested in working on the web page or if you have an interest in being an officer in ABLE-North and/or in helping plan a program in the North, please let me know.

The level of interest in being actively involved an/or holding an office will help us assess if the North should remain a separate entity or merge with the South. The main advantage of maintaining an ABLE-North is to facilitate meeting locally and doing local programming. However, if most of our planning and web-related activities are tied in with the South, it may make sense to merge our organizations. This would not preclude meeting locally.

I will be sending a report to the North and calling for a meeting after the Asilomar conference to further discuss these issues.

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Save the Date - SCIL’s Spring Program

**Southern California Instruction Librarians**
A College & Academic Research Libraries (CARL) Interest Group

**When:** Friday, May 19, 2006  
**Where:** The Claremont Colleges  
**Theme:** Assessing the One-Shot  
**Speaker:** Dr. Jeff Liles
Bloggers and bloggers-to-be gathered in San Jose last August 12th to answer the question “Is There a Blog in Your Future?” That was the title of a workshop jointly sponsored by CARL-North Information Technology Interest Group and the CLA Academic Section, and the answer was a resounding “Yes!”.

The IT-IG, a new IG first organized by CARL member Mari Miller at the CARL-N meeting at the end of 2004, saw the need for librarians to understand the “blogosphere” and recruited several experts to help librarians become bloggers. The experts led participants to an understanding of blogs (short for weblogs), explaining the social, political, and professional importance of the blogosphere, which is the term used to describe the world of blogs, and provided information on all of the technical details about how blogs work and how to create a blog.

First up was Karen Schneider, Director of the Librarian’s Index to the Internet, a leading virtual library that can be found on the web at lii.org. Karen is also widely known through her writing, in particular as the Internet Librarian Columnist for American Libraries, and through her own blogs, notably her freerangelibrarian.com blog. As a matter of fact, Karen has a post at freerangelibrarian.com for August 12, 2005 in which she outlines her presentation for this CARL-North ITIG blogs workshop. Karen introduced the participants to blogs and discussed technology used in creating and reading blogs, including information on RSS feeds and feed readers and aggregators and information on the emerging world of podcasting.

Christina Peterson, a librarian who teaches online classes in Distance Learning programs at San José State University, demonstrated the blog that she created for her distance learning classes and discussed things she learned from the experience, including the fact that blogs are indeed a powerful and useful tool for instruction. She also presented very valuable information about choosing a blog platform (she chose Squarespace), outlining in detail the process that she and her student assistant, Carol Pearce, went through in gathering and analyzing information about various platforms.

Steve Sloan is a technology specialist at San Jose State University who runs several blogs himself, most notably his sloantech blog, found at http://sloantech.blogspot.com/ and his edupodder blog, which presents information on podcasting and blogging in education, found at http://edupodder.com/ Steve presented an excellent overview of the technical details and political ramifications of blogging, and led the participants in a hands-on blog creation session using “blogger”, a service owned by Google.

The workshop was an excellent and much needed introduction to blogging, and participants left with plans for their own contributions to the blogosphere.
SCIL Works 2006

SCIL Works 2006, an annual program put on by the Southern California Instruction Librarians (a CARL interest group), was held on Friday, February 3, 2006, at the CSU San Marcos Library. The new and impressive library, which opened just two years ago and includes a Starbucks and plush reading room, provided the perfect setting for an eclectic day of informative presentations and poster sessions.

The half-day program titled “From Design to Delivery: Developing and Managing Instruction Projects and Programs” was well-planned around two tracks. Dividing the participants between two tracks provided for smaller groups and the ability for attendees to view all three presentations. The program drew librarians from all over Southern California to hear reports on the following:

_Around it Goes: From Grant Development to Program Assessment for an Information Competence Program in Public Policy and Administration Graduate Program_

Kelly Janousek of CSU Long Beach, in collaboration with the CSULB Public Policy and Administration Department, received a CSU Information Competency Grant that embarked Janousek on a journey to incorporate information competency, critical thinking, and information-seeking skills across the graduate curriculum. She reported on the stages of the process thus far and what she has learned about access to the library’s collection. The project has also provided Janousek with valuable information, which led to a revision of her instruction sessions and more focused sessions that target specific core courses. She has noticed students are now asking more savvy questions and the need for individual research consultations has declined.

*Presentation available at:* [http://www.csulb.edu/~janousek/ppagrant_files/frame.htm](http://www.csulb.edu/~janousek/ppagrant_files/frame.htm)

_Where Technology and Information Literacy Meet: Interactive Web-based Tutorials for Lifelong Learning_

Pamela Jackson of San Diego State University and Bridget Kowalczyk of San Jose State University co-presented on the innovative uses of online tutorials. San Jose State has several tutorials that fall within the categories of 1) Library Essentials, 2) Subject Specific; and 3) Prospective Students. An interesting collaborative effort with the San Jose Public Library has resulted in a web-based tutorial for teens that brings together the creativity and work of both high school and college students. Also discussed was the success of an online tutorial targeted at Freshman English students. Having students complete the tutorial before IL sessions has aided librarians in preparing better sessions that focus specifically on the skills students need most.

*Presentation and handouts available at:* [http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~pjackson/#Presentations](http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~pjackson/#Presentations)

_Classroom Observations: A First Step Toward Assessing Student Learning Outcomes_

Deborah Moore and Nancy Getty, both of Glendale Community College, reported on an on-going project to assess their workshop program. The library provides nine information competency workshops to the campus community, each with a specific focus. Moore and Getty designed a rubric to use while observing librarians teach a particular workshop. They view this rubric as just the beginning of a larger project to increase student engagement and enhance learning outcomes. The program participants were asked to provide feedback on the rubric and overall project, which generated a dynamic discussion that many contributed to.

*Information on Glendale Community College Library Workshops available at:* [http://www.glendale.edu/library/IC/LibWorkshops/LWindex.htm](http://www.glendale.edu/library/IC/LibWorkshops/LWindex.htm)

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Time was set aside to allow participants to explore the Poster Sessions which included Read, Write, Think, Dream: Creating a Community of Adult Readers by Allie Carr, Elisabeth Leonard, and Katy Farrell (UC San Diego); Scientific Method as a Concept Organizer in Engineering Information Competence by Wayne Montgomery (Cal Poly San Luis Obispo); Southern California Instruction Librarians by Chisa Uyeki (CSU Los Angeles); and Training Programs for University Staff – Outreach to an Under-Served Audience by Susan Shepherd (UC San Diego).

SCIL Works 2006 was an overall success, from the location to the diversity in presentations. Reports on the event will be posted to the CARL-SCIL website at http://clics.ucsd.edu/scil.

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The State of the State – Legislative Issues in California

In previous issues of the CARL Newsletter and in the legislative news update I send via CALIBACA-L, my focus has been almost exclusively on federal legislation; however, there are issues in the state as well and I had an opportunity to learn about a couple of key issues at our CARL North Regional Meeting in February when conversing with Jackie Siminitus, AT&T’s Library Advocate.

For those of us in higher education, our focus is usually on that level of our educational system, but our students are graduates of the K-12 system and in terms of information literacy, we need to connect with that system if we want to improve the skill sets these students bring to our campuses. On the California School Library Association web site, http://www.schoolibrary.org, you will find a link to their Legislation/Advocacy page, which provides convenient links to the state legislature, the California Education Code, the California Department of Education, and other key sites.

In addition to the perennial struggle for funding, which we all share, there are two state initiatives that are currently on the agenda of our K-12 colleagues. One initiative is a push for strong school library standards, now A.B.2065 (Carol Liu). Establishing standards would go a long way to ensuring a basic set of information literacy skill levels for students before they graduate from high school. Another aspect of these standards is Internet safety awareness, which is a key issue with our state legislators.

The second initiative, A.B.2540 (Loni Hancock), is to create a state-wide core set of K-12 library database, modeled to some extent after the California Digital Library. The concern is that our K-12 colleagues have no collective state-wide negotiating power to establish such a database, which would help to provide information resources to students and ensure a certain level of availability across school districts, regardless of the level of local funding for each district.

If you are interested in either of these initiatives or in the legislation that governs or influences our students’ early preparation, please follow the links on the CSLA web site. There are one-page flyers on each of the two bills.

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When your renewal notice comes it will refer you to the new membership database. This gives CARL more flexible and allows an annual renewal based on the month you start. For most of you that is basically March or April (because of conference years). The membership database will be sending you a “time to renew” message about 5 weeks before your membership is due and via RegOnline you can now see when your membership expires.

We have also updated the questions we request you click to get better information for Interest Groups to whether you want to actively participate or are just interested knowing about the programs offered.

Since we are in transit (again!) – You may have to start as a “NEW” member, since I have not had the time with the conference registration to have everyone moved to the new membership database. This actually helps me because it forces you to update email address and Interest Group information!

So when you renew, please go to https://www.regonline.com/carljoin. Payment is by credit card or check (made out to CARL then mailed to Membership Director, Kelly Janousek, University Library, California State University, Long Beach, 1250 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90840-1901).

If you are a ACRL member your dues will be $20. If you do not belong to ACRL then it will cost $30. Dues are $10 for retired Librarian members or Student members.

Total CARL members (as of 12/31/2005) 565
   ACRL members 391
   Non-ACRL members 159
   Students 54
   Retired 8

January - February 2006 (as of 2/16/2006)
   Members 607
   New members 50
   Members removed 8
   (expired, moved, death)

Institutional Membership:
   Community College 107
   CSUs 191
   UCs 92
   Private 155
   Public Libraries 2
   Library School Students 46
   Vendors 3
   Others 11

Interest Group Membership:
   ABLE 73
   CALM 341
   CARLDIG 144
   CARLIT 213
   CCIG 154
   CDIG 198
   CSUL 192
   DIAL 126
   GPIG 71
   SCIL 230
   SEAL 112

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Emily Bergman is the Interim College Librarian at Occidental College. Previously, she was Head of Collections and Technical Services.

Saint Mary’s College Library welcomes Rita Farkas as the new acquisitions assistant. She has had several years of library and media experience, first with the San Mateo County Office of Education, and most recently at John F. Kennedy University.

Joan Flintoff LoPear recently retired from the UCLA Library Cataloging and Metadata Center after 42 years of service to the Library. In February she was named as Chair of the Music Library Association’s Best of Chapter Awards Committee. She was also videotaped in an oral history interview about her service in the Music Library Association Southern California Chapter by the MLASCC/NAMM Oral History Committee.

Catherine Haras, Information Literacy Coordinator, Kristine Ferry, Digital Resources Librarian, and Dr. Edward Lopez, Chicano Studies Faculty, were awarded a research grant through a mini-grant program at CSU Los Angeles. With this funding they will begin a research project to study the information seeking habits of Latino undergraduates and their attitudes towards the academic library.

Robin R. Hartman has assumed the position of Interim Director of Library Services at Hope International University in Fullerton, California. She has served as Systems & Technical Services Librarian for the last 11 years and will continue to oversee that area of the Library during this interim period. The out-going Director, Armand Ternak, is taking an early retirement and moving with his family to Florida.

John Hickok (CSU Fullerton), as part of his ongoing research sabbatical to libraries in Asia, gave guest lectures at the libraries of Srinakharinwirot University (Thailand), Yangon University (Myanmar), the U.S. embassy’s American Corner in Vientiane (Laos), and Pannasastra University (Cambodia). In late March, he will present some of his preliminary research at the 13th CONSAL (Congress of Southeast Asian Libraries) conference in Manila, Philippines.

Robin Imhof, University of the Pacific, will be the Chair of the ALA GLBT Round Table’s Stonewall Book Award Committee in 2006-2007. The first and most enduring award of its kind, each year the GLBTRT bestows two awards: one for literature and one for non-fiction to “English-language books of exceptional merit relating to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered experience.” For additional information on the Stonewall Book Awards please visit: http://www.ala.org/ala/glbtrt.

UC Riverside Libraries welcomes Krista Ivy and Sylvia Hu as the new Reference/ Instruction librarians in the Rivera Library. Previously, Krista Ivy was the visual resource specialist at CSU San Bernardino and an art reference librarian at Bryn Mawr College. Sylvia Hu comes to UCR from Miami University in Ohio. Gayatri Singh who worked part-time at UCI also has begun working as a one-year temporary reference librarian in the Rivera Library Reference Department.

Susan Kendall, Mary Nino, and Lorene Sisson (San José State University) presented “Transforming Teachers into Teacher Researchers: How to Become Information Literate Teacher Researchers and Model Information Literacy for Student Researchers,” at the 4th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Education on January 8th, 2006, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Les Kong, CSU San Bernardino, continues his service on the Substantive Change Committee for WASC. He participated in reviews of numerous program proposals this past year, as well as a site visit to Ohlone College (Alliant University Ed.D program). The Substantive Change Committee enables WASC to fulfill its commitment to quality review of institutional proposals with an eye to educational effectiveness and institutional capacity. The Committee is comprised of 18 members, and Les is currently the only librarian representative. He has also been appointed by the CARL President to a task force, along with Deborah Schaeffer and Locke Morrisey, to explore and recommend for selection a venue for the CARL Conference in 2008.

Joy Lambert has recently been appointed to the position of Full-Time Temporary Assistant Librarian at CSU Fullerton. Her assignment includes work in collection development as well as reference services. Joy received her MLIS from San Jose State SLIS in May of 2005.

Matthew Mallard has recently been appointed to the position of Full-Time Temporary Reference and Instruction Librarian at the CSU Fullerton Pollak Library. Previously he worked as the WASC Reaccreditation Steering Committee Coordinator and
as a Reference Librarian at Woodbury University. He completed his MLIS at SJSU in 2004.

Effective February 20, 2006, Tom Moritz will be Associate Director for Administration of the Getty Research Institute and Chief, Knowledge Management [http://www.getty.edu/research/]. Tom comes to the Getty from the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, where he was Harold Boeschenstein Director, Library Services.

Brian Provenzale began employment in January 2006 as the UCLA Law Library’s new Cataloging Librarian. Brian is a 2005 UCLA Library School graduate, where he wrote a thesis on Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR) and the theories of bibliographic control. Prior to his graduate study, he obtained a BA in economics from UC Berkeley and worked as an ontologist for LookSmart.com, an Internet search directory.

Melinda Raine has been appointed as Associate University Librarian for Public Services & Programs, Pepperdine University Libraries. Ms. Raine has served as Coordinator of Information Services at Pepperdine’s Payson Library for seven years. Before coming to Pepperdine, she managed an engineering library and directed a large public library branch in Des Moines, Iowa. Ms. Raine holds a BAe in English and an MLS from the University of Iowa.

Stacy Russo, Reference & Instruction Librarian at CSU Fullerton, received a Junior Faculty Research Award for her book project Library as Place in California. The award will fund two research trips to libraries throughout the Central Valley and Northern California.

Marsha Schnirring is the new Instructional Services Librarian at Occidental College. Previously, she was a reference librarian in the Honnold Library at the Claremont Colleges.


Sharon Scott is the new Serials Cataloger at UC Riverside Libraries. Currently Sharon is also acting Head of Cataloging, Acquisitions & Technical Services, due to vacancies in those positions left by Stefanie Wittenbach, who took a position as Assistant Dean for Collections at University of Texas, San Antonio, and Nancy Douglas, who has retired.

Susan Shepherd has been appointed the Head, Reference, Instruction and Outreach Services, at UC San Diego’s Science & Engineering Library. Susan brings a wealth of experience from her twenty one years as an Information Specialist, Administrator of Literature and Information Services and Manager of Library and Information Services at C.P Kelco, where she managed library operations and served the information needs of corporate scientists and researcher, in addition to her most recent experience as temporary Instruction and Outreach Librarian at the UCSD S&E Library for almost two years.


Dale Stieber is the new Special Collections Librarian at Occidental College. Previously, she was the Digital Archivist for Occidental’s Japanese American relocation collection, funded by the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation.

Jie Tian, Associate Librarian at CSU Fullerton, helped create a poetry program that promoted reading and books at Guiyang College of Finance and Economics (one of CSU Fullerton’s international exchange universities), Guiyang, China in late December 2005. In early January 2006, she gave a talk on “Public Service, Academic Libraries and Higher Education in the United States” to over 200 librarians of Guiyang Association of Higher Education Libraries.

Effective March 2006, Eleanor Uhlinger will be the Associate Provost for Library & Information Resources at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. In this capacity, she will be Director of the Dudley Knox Library [http://www.nps.edu/Library/index.aspx]. Eleanor comes to NPS from the MBL-WHOI Library in Woods Hole, MA, where she was Associate Library Director for the joint library serving the Marine Biological Laboratory and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
Celebrating Diversity and the Creative Spirit
This University Planning Initiative funded proposal will engage the CSUF campus and the larger community in celebration of the diversity and creativity of all human beings. The event will feature two renowned poets as well as faculty, students, and staff poets/readers to commemorate National Poetry Month and National Library Week in April 2006.

Featured Poets:
Maurya Simon, poet and Professor of Creative Writing at UC Riverside, will offer a master class in poetry and give a public reading on Monday, April 24. For more information, go to http://www.creativewriting.ucr.edu/people/simon/.

Alberto Rios, poet, Regents’ Professor and Katharine C. Turner Chair in English at Arizona State University, will offer a craft class in poetry and give a public reading on Wednesday, April 26. For more information, go to http://www.public.asu.edu/~aarios.

Memory and Migration: Conversations with Chinese Women Writers
With the support from a grant from the President’s office, the Women’s History Month Committee, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Pollak Library, this series brings international and cross-cultural experiences to Cal State Fullerton. Three Chinese women writers will read from their work and discuss history, memory, migration, and culture from historical and personal perspectives.

Authors:
March 6 (Women’s History Month):

April 20 (National Poetry Month):
Chun Yu, Little Green: Growing Up During the Chinese Cultural Revolution (Simon & Schuster, 2005), praised by Maxine Hong Kingston as “a miracle,” is a memoir in verse. For more information, go to http://www.chunyu.org/chunyu_content.htm#news.

May 4 (Asian Pacific American Islander Heritage Month):
Yiyun Li, A Thousand Years of Good Prayers (Random House, 2005), winner of the inaugural Frank O’Connor International Short Story Award (2005), is a collection of short stories spanning from the Maoist China to contemporary China and the United States. For more information, go to http://www.yiyunli.com/.

All events will be held in Pollak Library Room 130, located on the 1st Floor of Library North.

For more information, contact: Jie Tian, jtian@fullerton.edu; Barbie McConnell, bmcconnell@fullerton.edu; Stacy Russo, srusso@fullerton.edu
**California State University, Los Angeles**

The CSU Los Angeles JFK Memorial Library in conjunction with the Graduate Studies Office began an Electronic Thesis/Project pilot program in Fall 2005, giving students the option of submitting a PDF file of their thesis, in addition to the two required paper copies. The PDF file is available full-text to anyone around the world via the library catalog. Submission of an electronic thesis/project offers an opportunity to post interactive content including hypertext links, video, and audio as a new way of supplementing research. Selected departments are participating in the pilot.

**California State University, Northridge**

A program about the Martin Waldseemüeller’s 1507 world map was co-sponsored and held at CSU Northridge’s Oviatt Library. The Waldseemüeller map was the first map to depict the outline of the world’s continents as we know them, and the first document on which the name “America” appears. In 2003, the map was purchased for $10M by the Library of Congress and is on display in the Thomas Jefferson Building in Washington, DC. For more information about the map and its purchase, go to [http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2003/03-110.html](http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2003/03-110.html) and [http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2001/01-093.html](http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2001/01-093.html).

Don’t forget to check out applying for the

**CARL Research Award**

For more information consult:

[http://www.carl-acrl.org/Awards/Research/RAApplication.html](http://www.carl-acrl.org/Awards/Research/RAApplication.html)
The California Preservation Program Website Moves

The popular California Preservation Clearinghouse [cpc.stanford.edu], website for the California Preservation Program has been enhanced, improved, and renamed: CalPreservation.org.

CalPreservation.org is an online resource for the staff of libraries, archives, and other cultural institutions in need of preservation and disaster preparedness information, training and more. The content is organized into two main sections: “Services” offered by the California Preservation Program and “Information Resources.” Most of the documents from the former website have been revised, and new documents have been added. Watch for additional resources in the future.

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