



SOLIS—Student Organization Library and Information Science

Valdosta State University

Soaring to Excellence 2006

Library staff are invited to the second Soaring to Excellence 2006 Program as sponsored by South Georgia Associated Libraries (SGAL) at Valdosta State University and hosted by Odum Library, SGAL member. The second Soaring teleconference in a series of three, will start at 12:00 noon on Friday, Feb. 3, 2006.

The topic for the second teleconference is, “Always a River, Sometimes a Library.” The presenter, Rick Anderson, explores the three ways the library profession is broken, and the four ways to fix it. He uses the Mississippi River as a metaphor for patron behavior, and gives us new and useful ways to think about our patrons.

There is no individual registration fee. Lunch will not be provided.

To ensure adequate seating, if you plan to attend this Soaring teleconference, please register at the following Web site: <http://books.valdosta.edu/test/Soaring06/> or send an email notice to crawford@valdosta.edu

For more information on the Soaring to Excellence 2006 Teleconference Series visit the following link: <http://www.dupagepress.com/COD/index.php?id=693>

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Congratulations 2005 MLIS graduates!

- Jewell Eller
- Carolyne Atono
- Bonnie Parker
- Sandy Hester
- Lonnie Van Roberts
- Hongying Song

MLIS Rare Book Tour a Success!



A number of MLIS students enjoyed the private tour of the Bentley Rare Book Gallery and Special Exhibit entitled: “A Mirror on the Millennium: 1000 Years of Paper and Ink at the Bentley Rare Book Gallery” at Kennesaw State University on November 5th, 2005. Thanks to everyone who coordinated and attended this great event!

Front row (left to right): Robert Willams, Director of the Library, April Renfroe-Warren, Karen Bechtel, Rita Spisak, Dr. Elaine Yontz
Back row (left to right): David Fry, Ruth Hayden, Rick Gillert, Tonda Morris, April’s husband

Congratulations to the newly elected SOLIS Officers:

President -
Leann Boyd

Vice President -
Rita Spisak

Secretary -
Angela Henderson

Treasurer -
Christie Paulk

International Student
Representative -
Bernard Bulemu

New Look for SOLIS Website

Be sure to visit the new and improved SOLIS website for information on all aspects of SOLIS! One lucky SOLIS member who completes the online scavenger hunt will win a gift certificate to Books A Million!

<http://books.valdosta.edu/mlis/solis.html>





Join GLA & ALA!

The Georgia Library Association and the American Library Association are offering MLIS students a discounted membership rate for both organizations. For a total of \$25, you can become of member of both the ALA and GLA. The membership form is available online at:



http://gla.georgialibraries.org/membership_Georgia%20Student%20Application.htm



Congratulations to Karen Preston and Laura Herndon who received the Paraprofessional Award at COMO in October!



Summer 2006 Registration Information

*Summer semesters 2, 3, & 4 - June 1st and 2nd

*Tuition Assistance Application
Deadline - April 15th

If you are registering during the tuition remission session, please email your advisors early with a list of courses you intend to take to help avoid course cancellations!

Online Scavenger Hunt

Answer these questions and you could win!!

- 1.SOLIS strives to send one member every year to which organization's summer convention?
- 2.Which organization has the motto "Creating a more educated Georgia"?
- 3.Who is the current Faculty Advisor to SOLIS?
- 4.What semester is the ALA accreditation comprehensive review for the VSU MLIS program scheduled?
- 5.At what time does Blazenet perform weekly maintenance?
- 6.What number would you call if you have questions about Interlibrary Loan at VSU?
- 7.Which student used her experience in libraries and as the director of a rape crisis center to give practical advice for how to handle incidents of sexual offenses, battery, and other violent but non-life-threatening crimes when they happen in the library?

Send answers to Leann Boyd (lsprinkl@valdosta.edu) by 2/28/06 for the chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to Books A Million!

Ebay Fundraiser

Looking for a way to clean out those cluttered shelves?

SOLIS is now accepting book donations to help get our Ebay fundraiser started. Any book in sellable condition can be donated to SOLIS. All proceeds will be used to help fund the travel of SOLIS members to national conferences, such as ALA. Books can be dropped off at the MLIS office in Odum Library at VSU.

For more information on donating books to SOLIS, contact Leann Boyd at:

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Internship at the Digital Library of Georgia

Qualifications:

Recent graduate or current student of a masters-level library science, archival studies/public history or museum studies program; Interest in digitization in cultural heritage settings; Ability to perform diverse and complex tasks with accuracy and attention to detail; Ability to exercise independent judgment; Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships; Ability to work successfully in a production-oriented environment; Ability to direct the work of others; Good written and oral communication skills; Working knowledge of historical research methodology and experience with standard bibliographic tools; Familiarity with digital project setting preferred; Experience with SGML, XML and/or HTML preferred; Coursework or experience in cataloging and/or archival description preferred. Experience with digital imaging and OCR preferred. Experience in an archival or museum setting preferred. College degree required with background in humanities or social sciences preferred.

Interns have a choice of compensation packages: \$8/hr. plus on-campus housing (on-campus housing is only available from May 22-July 28, 2006) or \$13.85/hr. (the intern will be responsible for securing his/her own housing arrangements). Internship runs from May to August 2006.

To apply:

Please send a resume, cover letter detailing your suitability for the position, and contact information for three references. Applications should be postmarked by February 15, 2006 and be sent to Sheila McAlister, Project Manager and Digital Metadata Coordinator, Digital Library of Georgia, University of Georgia, Main Library, Athens, GA 30602-1641, or email mcalist@uga.edu

Volunteer opportunities

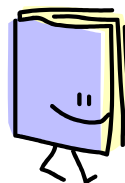
The Christian-Judeo Library in Valdosta, one of only six Christian Public libraries in the United States. is desperately in need of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer any time, please contact:

Judeo-Christian Public Library, Inc.
1601 N. Ashley St. Suite 102
Valdosta, GA
Alice C. Foltz. MLIS; Library Director
Robert Foltz. Co-Director
229-293-9568
229-671-9300

Want to share your experience in the MLIS program with others?

SOLIS would like to create a buddy system which pairs new students with a student who has been in the program for awhile.

If you would like to offer your expertise to new students, please email Leann Boyd at lsprinkl@valdosta.edu to volunteer!



Suggestions? Comments?

Please send any suggestions for items you would like to see included in subsequent newsletters to Leann Boyd (lsprinkl@valdosta.edu) or Angela Henderson (aselder@valdosta.edu).