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From the Division Chair

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The year has gone quickly and MLW 2010 is right around the corner. I hope many of you are planning to come to Destin, FL to join us. This year's theme is "Communication is Your Combat Power." We will have some great speakers and panelists as well as some interesting pre-conference sessions on "Managing eContent" and recommendations for "Open Sources for Deployed Forces." Based on feedback from previous years, we

will be trying some new approaches to the presentations and how things are done so come with an open mind, ready to share, learn and have fun. Also be sure to bring your laptops, iPhones, Blackberries, Droids, iPads and other electronic communication devices. We will have wireless access available and encourage you to Tweet and/or blog your experiences. If you haven't ever done either one of these, this would be a good time to learn and there will be folks there that would be happy to help you get started.

The dates are **December 6-10, 2010** and we will be staying at a very nice resort hotel. If you haven't already done so, be sure to register soon. See the website for more information: <http://slmilitarylibraries.org/wpcms/>.

As most of you know by now, the FLICC 2009 awards were presented in October and I want to congratulate the Army and Navy for capturing all of the categories but one. Here at NPS we are particularly proud that our Library Director, Eleanor Uhlinger, won the Federal Librarian of the Year, but the other winners are to also be congratulated for an outstanding job in their respective areas. Congratulations to the Gorgas Memorial Library at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, winner of the Federal Library/Information Center of the Year in the Small library category and also to Gary Baker with the Army Counterintelligence Center for winning the Federal Library Technician of the Year. Be thinking now about the nominations for next year and let's see if the military library community can do a clean sweep!

Hope to see many of you in Florida and many thanks to all of those who have done so many things behind the scenes to help move the Division forward.

Cheers!
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From the Editor

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Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this issue of Military Libraries. In this issue you will find articles on a variety of topics and I hope you enjoy reading it as much as I enjoyed putting it together!

The newsletter content is only as interesting and varied as the submissions I receive, so please consider contributing something about your library, your professional interests and activities, or your opinion about a military library-related issue or concern. This month you will see quite a bit of news about staff and activities at the Naval Postgraduate School. I hope this encourages you all to submit similar content for your organizations for future issues.

Between work and personal obligations I got a little behind with the newsletter this quarter. Hopefully I will be back on track for the winter issue. Meanwhile, I appreciate your patience and understanding, especially from those of you who promptly submitted articles and other content for this issue.

I am sorry I won't be able to make it to MLW again this year. I would have liked to meet (or reconnect with) many of you there. I do plan to attend SLA this summer so hopefully I'll see some of you in Philadelphia in June.

Ways to Stay Current on Division Activities

Most of you are probably already aware of the various ways, in addition to this newsletter, that you can both stay current on division activities and communicate with your MLD colleagues. However, I thought it would be useful to compile them in one place:

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Next Newsletter Deadline
January 15, 2010

FLICC 2009 Awards for Federal Librarianship Include Three Military Libraries

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On October 6, 2010 the Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC) honored the award winners at the 2010 Fall FEDLINK membership meeting at the Library of Congress. Military libraries won three of the four awards. Awards were given for:

- Federal Library/Information Center of the Year (Large): **National Institutes of Health (NIH) Library**, Bethesda MD.
- Federal Library/Information Center of the Year (Small): **Gorgas Memorial Library, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research and the Naval Medical Research Center**, Silver Spring, MD
- Federal Librarian of the Year: **Eleanor Uhlinger, University Librarian, Naval Postgraduate School Dudley Knox Library**, Monterey CA.
- Library Technician of the Year: **Gary B. Baker, Library Technician, Army Counterintelligence Center**, Ft. Meade, MD

A big congratulations to all, especially our military library colleagues!



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Suzanne Grefsheim, Division Chief, National Institutes of Health (NIH) Library, Bethesda MD.

Eleanor Uhlinger, University Librarian, Naval Postgraduate School, Dudley Knox Library, Monterey CA.

Blane Dessy, FEDLINK Executive Director

Terrie Wheeler, Chief, Gorgas Memorial Library, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research and the Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring, MD

Gary B. Baker, Library Technician, Army Counterintelligence Center, Ft. Meade, MD

FLICC Awards, continued from previous page

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2009 Federal Library/Information Center of the Year

Large Library/Information Center (with a staff of 11 or more federal and/or contract employees):

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Library, Bethesda, Md., is recognized for its leadership role in the "green" initiative at NIH, serving as a role model for green procurement and environmental stewardship with the opening on Earth Day 2009 of its Green Terrace, a fully-sustainable space. The Terrace and a new "green" Information Commons provide a mix of quiet study and interactive social spaces. The library also expanded its "informationist," or embedded librarian program into the laboratory setting with the introduction of its bioinformatics training and consultation service. NIH library informationists provide research support to more than 40 research teams and programs for 16 NIH institutes and centers. Of special note is their donation of 5,000 linear feet of medical journals, already held in trusted digital archives, to help rebuild the collections of the University of Baghdad Medical School.

Small Library/Information Center (with a staff of 10 or fewer federal and/or contract employees):

Gorgas Memorial Library, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research and the Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring, Md., is recognized for its 2009 implementation of a citation database and citation management system for its Silver Spring Lab and six overseas labs. Using this licensed data, librarians create innovative products such as publication strategies and research impact analyses on each organization's malaria and dengue research. Librarians also developed publication and citation metrics for the organization's Balanced Scorecard which improve bench scientists' workflow, facilitating discovery and citations for future manuscripts, and identifying mission success. Customers indicated high satisfaction for new and already established information services which are instrumental for researchers and ultimately preserve the fighting strength of marines, sailors and soldiers and their early return to duty.



2009 Federal Librarian of the Year

Eleanor S. Uhlinger, University Librarian, Naval Postgraduate School/Dudley Knox Library, Monterey, Calif., is recognized as a

transformational leader

who championed the need for the library to be involved in all levels of accreditation, curriculum and program reviews. In 2009, she oversaw library renovations to create a combination of quiet and collaborative spaces with technology to enhance learning. Physical and virtual enhancements, coupled with her patron-friendly focus and promotion of staff initiatives, resulted in double-digit increases in in-person reference requests, interlibrary loan and reserve item circulation, with only a limited increase in library expenditures. Uhlinger's emphasis on assessment, metrics, budget oversight and improved efficiency, combined with her commitment to the collection, preservation and access to the school's research, publications and history, made the Dudley Knox Library more proactive in serving the current and emerging needs of the faculty, students, staff and alumni of the Naval Postgraduate School.

2009 Federal Library Technician of the Year

Gary B. Baker, Library Technician, Army Counterintelligence Center, Ft. Meade, Md., is recognized for single-handedly operating the center's library, managing and cataloging its collections remotely as a result of a 2006 facility fire, and laying the groundwork for a physical map collection. In 2009, he cataloged 2,600 items, created 229 bibliographies in addition to collecting more than 2,000 other bibliographies from the Library of Congress and other sources, and relabeled and repaired more than 1,000 volumes. Baker actively promoted library services and access to materials and supported its patrons without the benefits of a physical library space.

For the latest information on the awards, interested parties may refer to the FLICC website, <http://www.loc.gov/flicc/Awards/>



Call of the Wild at Hurlburt Field Library

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The “Call of the Wild”[®] has been heard at the Hurlburt Field Library (HFL). They have become the **FIRST LIBRARY** in DoD to certify an “Outdoor Classroom” with the Nature Explore Classroom Certification Program. HFL is the second classroom in DoD, the second in the state of Florida, and the 48th site in the nation. It’s becoming a Hurlburt tradition – in 2009, the Hurlburt Youth Center was the first site in Florida, and the first on a military installation, and recently the Hurlburt CDC joined in, becoming the third classroom in DoD.

The Nature Explore Classroom Certification Program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation and Dimensions Educational Research Foundation. This national initiative recognizes schools and other organizations that have made a commitment to providing outdoor classrooms and programming to help children use the natural world as an integral part of learning.

The Outdoor Classrooms include interactive learning environments that connect children with nature – gardening, music, art, climbing, large movement play, and building with blocks. Certification is based on a well designed outdoor space, staff development, and family involvement. Children observe life cycles of plants and animals and experience the joy of gardening. They develop mental and motor skills through educational play. Also very important for our military community, research shows that children who spend time outdoors cope better with stress.

The HFL classroom also includes a weather station and game area with in-ground checkerboard and tic-tac-toe. Unlike the Youth Center and the CDC, the library classroom is geared to all ages, including adults and teens. It’s even generating requests at the library for gardening books and other outdoor related resources. Library Director Vicky Stever reports that the huge project was a self-help initiative that was partially funded with grants and built by many, many volunteers.

Visit the HFL to not only commune with nature but to find “Where the Wild Things Are”.[©]



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Aeromedical Library's "Wheels Are Up"

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Aeromedical Library at Brooks Moves to Area B, Wright Patterson Air Force Base

When speaking of the AeroMedical Library and its mission in 2005, former director Joseph Franzello said, "This library has always been the last best resource for literature in aerospace medicine".

Discovery Newsletter, Brooks AFB, # 13, Jan 21, 2005,

Through the efforts of Mr. Franzello, and many other Library supporters, the Aeromedical Library and its holdings will continue its mission when it moves 1300 miles to Area B, Wright Patterson Air Force in March 2011 and becomes the Franzello AeroMedical Library later in the year.

Due to BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure), Brooks AFB will be closing in September 2011. The internationally-known Aeromedical Library will also move with the School of Aerospace Medicine to support the 711 HPW wing and USAFSAM personnel as well as other organizations at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. It will find its home next to other educational institutions like AFIT and work with other libraries on the base to provide information. Even though the School receives Program 8 money (Medical) and other libraries on the base are supported through Program 6 or research money, the Franzello AeroMedical Library and 711 HPW along with AFRL Libraries will study the impact of such cooperation during the first year of its new existence.

The collection began at the Mineola Lab in 1917 at Hazelhurst Field in Mineola, Long Island, New York with only 2900 books. It was moved to Brooks in 1926 and again to Randolph in 1931. Finally in 1959, the Aeromedical Library returned to Brooks with 60,000 items. As an essential part of the School of Aerospace Medicine until 1990, it was transferred to the Armstrong Laboratory. Even though funding was a concern, the Library refused to close. The Schoolhouse moved across the base but the Aeromedical Library remained on the "Hill".

In 2002, the School's Commander provided a funding line for the Library. Then, in 2008, when the 711th Human Performance Wing was stood up, the Aeromedical Library was placed under the USAFSAM as a part of the Office of the Dean.

Yet another threat to its existence came during the early days of BRAC. Originally, the Library was not included in the BRAC planning. Together with the 311 HSW, USAFSAM, Mr. Franzello fiercely advocated for the Library to maintain its collection at Wright Patterson Air Force Base.

Planning began in earnest with the Library being attached to the new School. In 2005, Mr. Franzello and Mr. John Whitney, Head of Public Services, started out with a set of yellow squares on a poster board to denote the various areas of the library.

By 2010 the Franzello Aeromedical Library had become a 13000 square foot with a separate Technical Reports Room, Administration, the Archives area, and a Reading Room with more than 2000 ft. of compact and fixed shelving. Large windows on one side of the Library provide natural light. There will be 3 computer kiosks with 12 workstations that will provide customers with access to the Internet and medical and biological information.

Compact shelving will house more than 32,500 books, 126,500 bound journals, 173,000 technical reports with Archives that include 2000 books, rare manuscripts and eight Special Collections of private libraries of several Aerospace Medicine luminaries.

The Library will be dedicated sometime in the middle of 2011 and will open in July or August of 2011.



Rendering of the front of the School of Aerospace Medicine on Area B of WPAFB. The building to the far left, lower floor, is the new Franzello Aeromedical Library. Used with permission.

milBook Wants You!... To Join and Connect at <https://www.kc.army.mil/book>

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Army knowledge networks, also known as Warfighter Forums (WfF), have been established to enhance collaboration and information-sharing across military operations within Army Knowledge Online/Defense Knowledge Online (AKO/DKO) portal. The WfF knowledge networks provide a secure, behind-the-firewall online platform to support leader development, readiness, training, and sharing lessons learned. Many of these knowledge networks feature the milSuite collection of Web 2.0 online collaboration tools/applications for the AKO/DKO online communities. Developed by the Army's MilTech Solutions Office at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD, the milSuite portfolio includes milBook, milWiki, milBlog, and, soon to be phased in, milTube.

This article focuses on milBook, a DoD professional networking tool, that can be likened to the popular social media sites Facebook™ and LinkedIn™. There are currently more than 80,000 Army milBook users and about 3,200 users from Department of Defense agencies, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and National Guard. At the Army's 2010 LandWarNet Conference, milBook received the Army Knowledge Management Award in the technology category for "providing outstanding knowledge-based capabilities and solutions in support of the Army's mission."

Creating a milBook group for your local community or for a special project is a great collaboration tool and is easy to set up! Once milBook is accessed, it will automatically create your account based on your existing AKO/DKO profile. This article provides a couple of examples of how the U.S. Army Medical Command Library Program Office is "embracing" milBook 2.0!

The U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) Library Program Office provides oversight, policy, and consultative assistance to the U. S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) and major subordinate command librarians/library managers. Because we are a regionally-based and geographically dispersed worldwide network, staying "connected" can be challenging. Moreover, we have a number of medical libraries staffed by only one-person as a "solo" librarian. The opportunity for these librarians to use milBook to participate in discussion topics, blog, or post documents is, as the commercial says, "priceless!"

The MEDCOM Library Program Office has two milBook group sites. The first, the AMEDD MEDLI-NET (Army Medical Department Medical Library & Information Network) group, is a private forum "designed to facilitate communication, collaboration, and best practices among AMEDD librarians and library managers in the delivery of knowledge-based information and services across the AMEDD." The site features several library-related blog Really Simple Syndication (RSS) feeds for the latest news in the medical library and information technology fields; links to the AKO AMEDD MEDLI-NET (Library Network) and the Medical Warfighter Forum (MedWfF) pages; announcements, recent content highlights, discussion, documents, blog, and a link to AMEDD InfoBytes, the public milBook site for the AMEDD (and any other milBook members who might be interested).

The second MEDCOM Library Program Office milBook site is intended for the avid "digital information seeker" who spends considerable time attempting to keep up with the vast amount of information available on the Web; whose mantra is "so many sites, so little time"; or who--along with 47 percent of other adults-- is "over-connected" via BlackBerry, iPad, or other smartphone/mobile devices. The AMEDD InfoBytes page provides "short takes" on a variety of news and links highlighting cool information resources, new technologies, new applications, and trends to watch. The site also features several blog RSS feeds on current technology and health-related news along with links to the AKO MedWfF and the AMEDD Knowledge Management (KM) Book Club milBook groups. We invite you to join the AMEDD InfoBytes milBook Group at <https://www.kc.army.mil/book/groups/amedd-infobytes> if this type of information is of interest.

The AMEDD MEDLI-NET and AMEDD InfoBytes milBook groups are two examples of how the DoD milSuite Web 2.0 applications can be used to increase communication and provide a greater sense of community among the groups' members. We hope to expand the functionality of these pages to offer group members another source for information they can use!

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Take Our Stand: The African-American Military Experience in the Age of Jim Crow

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An Opportunity to Promote Diversity in Military Libraries and Museums The Coast Guard Academy's Experience With a Traveling Exhibit --*Take Our Stand: The African-American Military Experience in the Age of Jim Crow.*

The American Civil War Center at Historic Tredegar in Richmond, Virginia has produced its first traveling exhibit, titled *Take Our Stand: The African-American Military Experience in the Age of Jim Crow*. The Coast Guard Academy is the first out-of-state host for this exhibit, from September through December, 2010. Opportunities are available for other institutions to host the exhibit, which should be of special interest to military libraries or museums wishing to support diversity initiatives.

The American Civil War Center developed the *Take Our Stand* exhibit to "provide a greater understanding of race, hardship, heroism, the demands of citizenship, and what it means to serve one's country in the face of virulent discrimination." Composed of 32 lightweight panels, the exhibit includes photos and narrative describing the experiences of African Americans across the military services from the Spanish American War through desegregation of the U.S. military in 1948. Panels contain photos reproduced from the John H. Motley Collection. Motley was inspired by Alex Haley (who served in the Coast Guard from 1939 to 1959) and Haley's book *Roots*. He went on to become one of the foremost collectors of African-American military photos and materials. Motley donated his extensive collection of more than 3,000 items to the American Civil War Center in 2007.

Coast Guard Museum Curator Jennifer Gaudio made arrangements to host the exhibit. Jen previously worked at the American Civil War Center, while the exhibit was in early stages of development. She recognized that this exhibit would support Coast Guard diversity initiatives. She coordinated with the Academy's Office of Diversity and

other departments on campus, including the Academy Library, to identify ways the campus and extended community could participate. Through base-wide collaboration, the following spin-off activities are underway:

- *The official opening of the exhibit was celebrated with a reception which included special guests from the American Civil War Center, military and civilian staff of the academy, cadets, and members of the local community. John H. Motley, whose collection of photographs is featured in the exhibit, was on hand as a special guest.

- *The traveling exhibit was augmented with items from the U.S. Coast Guard Historic Collection, including Alex Haley's uniform jacket with his Chief Journalist rate. Haley joined the Coast Guard as a Mess Attendant in 1939, but quickly gained recognition for his writing ability. He wrote for various Coast Guard publications, and achieved the rank of Chief Journalist by the time of his retirement in 1959.

- *The library helped to market the exhibit and created a supplemental book exhibit and online resource guide.

- *Several Coast Guard Academy faculty members incorporated the exhibit and related readings into their classes. This included a required visit by the newest class of cadets as part of their First Year Experience class.

- *The Academy's Partners in Education (PIE) volunteers are arranging visits and activities for students from New London schools.

- *A reception and screening of a new documentary, "The Rescue Men," is being arranged as a supplemental event.

This documentary is about the first all-black crew at the Pea Island Life-Saving Station in North Carolina.

- *A lecture on the 369th Infantry Hellfighters Band is being planned.

More information about the exhibit is available at <http://www.tredegar.org/takeourstand.aspx>.



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Reference Renaissance Conference Notes

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Themes that emerged from the Reference Renaissance: Inventing the Future conference held in Denver in August included the need to be aware of and tailor services to what patrons are doing and how they are doing it, financial hardships as key motivator to innovation, and the need for data.

The most prevalent theme was the importance of knowing who your patrons are and how, where, why, and when they seek information. Mary Radford discussed generational differences that were found in the data from the "Seeking Synchronicity: Evaluating Virtual Reference Services from User, Non-User, & Librarian Perspectives" project (<http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/synchronicity/default.htm>). She stated that the Millennials are the most studied generation in history. The wealth of information about them should be useful for military libraries that are currently serving them and those that should expect them soon.

Another theme was the ubiquitous use of smart phones. Presenters quoted Google's expectation that soon smart phones will be patron's primary platforms for seeking information. Andrew Walsh suggested that libraries change their policies to allow silenced phones as forbidding them could inhibit the way patrons seek information. Walsh also discussed the popularity of texting and asked why libraries that weren't providing text services weren't doing so as the technology is cheap, easy, and widely available.

Speakers highlighted the importance of knowing how patrons operate when designing services. When discussing the virtual reference practices of Millennials Radford mentioned that they tend not to use social networking sites to interact with libraries but also that they were not aware of the virtual reference options available to them. Libraries considering using social networking for marketing or reference services will want to avoid alienating the patrons they are trying to reach.

Innovation driven by financial difficulties or carried out in spite of a lack of finances was another common theme. Christine Clifford described her library's attempt to meet the needs of two new libraries without adding full-time staff. They conducted a pilot project to provide reference service to non-staffed branches using repurposed computers, low-cost cameras and headsets, and Skype. If successful, this project will extend reference service to otherwise un-served areas while giving reference librarians the

freedom to work on other projects when not responding to questions. Clifford emphasized that this service would give librarians the opportunity to field reference questions without being "chained to the reference desk." Librarians from the University of Colorado Boulder campus experimented with providing self-service kiosks at strategic points in the library. The kiosks were made with repurposed hardware and inexpensive WinSlect software from Faronics (<http://www.faronics.com/en/Products/WINSelect/WINSelectReplaceGPO.aspx>). The librarians designed content for the kiosks according to location and placed them where patrons would expect assistance, such as near an information desk with limited hours, or at locations where confusion is common.

Underlying many presentations was recognition of the need for data. Some sessions addressed data needs specifically. Cynthia Johnson discussed the problem of web page design. Post web-page construction, libraries may get statistics about how many times a page is visited but not about what patrons are doing on a page or why they are on a page. Tools such as Google Analytics allow librarians to track patrons' movements through their website to determine behavior patterns. Those patterns might indicate areas where libraries should offer extra instruction for using resources or show that a different page design might better serve patrons. Librarians can use analytical tools to design pages that present their resources in a way that responds well to actual patron behavior.

Emily Chan and Lorrie Knight discussed their library's use of libstats (<http://code.google.com/p/libstats/>). They tracked reference interactions by type of patron, type of employee (librarian or para-professional), length of exchange, time of day, question type, how question was received (in person, email, chat, etc.), and the question and answer. Going beyond hash marks for reference statistics allows librarians to more easily identify service gaps, fine tune staffing, and share data among staff members.

Reference Renaissance provided a forum to learn about new technology and to discuss the use of proven technology to meet library needs on a small budget. While network security considerations may limit what innovations some military libraries may embrace we should still be aware of what non-military librarians are doing as they often set our patrons' expectations. While this conference is narrow in focus it provides a great learning environment for military reference librarians.

SLA Nominating Committee Accepting Nominations for 2012

Jill Strand, Chair, SLA 2011 Nominating Committee
(reprint of email sent to Division members)

Are you looking for a way to take your leadership skills to the next level? Do you know someone who has the skills, desire and drive to help the Association become Future Ready? If so, the SLA Nominating Committee is inviting members to nominate themselves or recommend colleagues to serve as:

- President-elect
- Chapter cabinet chair-elect
- Division cabinet chair-elect
- Director (two positions)

The committee is looking for 10 people - two candidates for each of the five positions - to stand for election in September 2011 and commence serving in January 2012. Details about responsibilities for each of the board positions can be found at <http://www.sla.org/content/SLA/governance/bodsection/descriptions.cfm>. **Nominations must be received by 7 January 2011.**

SLA members, especially leaders of divisions, chapters, committees or councils, are encouraged to identify people they think are ready and willing to serve the profession as members of the Association's board. Service on the SLA Board provides an opportunity to expand management and leadership abilities, and the skills learned can easily be applied to one's job and career. To nominate an SLA member for the board, forward the following information to any member of the Nominating Committee listed below.

- The nominee's name, address, and phone number;
- The board position for which the nominee is being recommended;
- The length of time the nominee has been an SLA member;
- Offices the nominee has held in SLA chapters, divisions, an Association committee or council;
- The Association-level committees on which the nominee has served; and
- Other SLA and professional activities (e.g., teaching CE courses, writing articles for publication, etc.) in which the nominee has participated.

The nomination statement should also include any other information that distinguishes the candidate from others and illustrates why he or she is an ideal candidate for the board. Nominations can be sent to any of the following members of the Nominating Committee. Their contact information can be found at <http://www.sla.org/content/community/committe/nom.cfm>:

Jill Strand, Stacey Greenwell, Betty Jo Hibberd, James King, Karen Kreizman-Reczek, Linda Broussard.

Thank you for your help to find future leaders to help move our Association forward!

SLA Activities For Your Calendar

- Military Libraries Workshop 2010, Destin, FL, 6-9 Dec. 2010
- SLA 2011 Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, 13-16 June 2011



**MLD MEMBERS CAN VOTE FOR MLD OFFICERS ONLINE UNTIL
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23rd AT:**

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MLDballot2010>

Member News (People, Places & Accomplishments)

NEW MEMBER:

Betty Edwards began a new position on July 12th as Senior Research Analyst at the Charles Stark Draper Laboratory (<http://www.draper.com>) in Cambridge, Mass. Draper has 1,300 employees and is a \$420 million not-for-profit independent engineering research and development lab primarily focused on applied development for the Department of Defense and NASA. It was spun off from MIT in 1973 and works on problems that are too risky or too early to attract commercial industry. After demonstrating that a system solution is feasible, it transitions the technology to industry for volume production. In many ways, Betty feels as if she has gone home as she was employed by the Lab from 1978-1983. She was a paid intern there while at Simmons library school and the Lab offered her a professional librarian position after she graduated. Editor's Note: Welcome to the Division, Betty!

ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Robert Lee Hadden and **Steven G. Minson** of the Geospatial Information Library at the Army Geospatial Center have produced a bibliography on the geology and water resources of Haiti to assist in the humanitarian relief efforts of the Corps of Engineers. "The Geology of Haiti: An Annotated Bibliography of Haiti's Geology, Geography and Earth Science" is 254 pages long, with an introduction and annotated bibliography.

See: <http://handle.dtic.mil/100.2/ADA528274>.

NEWS FROM THE NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL:

PEOPLE

Irene Berry has been appointed Digital Services Librarian. She will be leading the NPS effort to implement a DSpace digital repository.

Ann Jacobson, Reference and Instruction Manager, moderated the *Engaging Customers and Communities* track at *Internet Librarian 2010*, Monterey, CA.

Greta Marlatt (Dudley Knox Library) and **Jodi Stiles** (Center for Homeland Defense and Security), will discuss the Homeland Security Digital Library at Connections: Emergency Preparedness for Librarians and Emergency Personnel <<http://www.hshsl.umaryland.edu/disaster/>> in Baltimore, MD, 18 November 2010.

Eleanor Uhlinger, University Librarian, was selected as 2009 Federal Librarian of the Year by the Federal Library and Information Center Committee. Accompanied by NPS President Daniel T. Ferguson and Chief of Naval Personnel, Vice Admiral Mark E. Ferguson, III, she accepted the award from Librarian of Congress, Dr. James Billington, at a ceremony at the Library of Congress.

Matt White, Purchasing Agent, passed the CON237 (Simplified Acquisition Procedures) exam and is now a certified Contracting Officer for NPS.

EVENTS

Irma Fink, Access Services Manager; **Mary Ann Watson** and **Doris Williams**, Library Technicians; with feedback and input from NPS Student Council, student body, library staff and patrons at large, selected and coordinated the upgrading and installation of more ergonomic and patron-friendly workstations, mobile tables and seating, and brightened the Library's Information Commons.

Thanks to hard work by **John Sanders**, Special Collections Manager, and **Cara Key**, Special Collections Librarian, DKL dedicated a new Special Collections and Archives department in a public ceremony 14 October.

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