



## President's Message

—Submitted By Alice Marksberry

Welcome to our first totally electronic, online SLA Kentucky Chapter Bulletin! I am pleased and excited to contribute a president's message to this historical event in the life of our chapter. It is a "cool" way to ring in the next millennium! I, like many other science fiction fans, have always had my vision of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century influenced by Stanley Kubrick's landmark movie, *2001 - A Space Odyssey*. Although the scenario of the HAL 9000 computer's artificial intelligence has not gone mainstream quite yet ... (although I do wonder if my computer—at times—is a little HAL Jr., an obnoxious, "mind-of-its-own" twit!), I can watch the movie and see shadows of many of today's modern triumphant and frustrations with electronic, information and computer technologies.

The decision to go all-electronic and to move away from a paper format for the bulletin is the product of rounds of debate and intense discussion by chapter membership. But finally, as many times happens, the decision was made for us by virtue of its financial impact upon our chapter. After tracking the printing and mailing costs associated with the bulletin, it was discovered that one-half to nearly three-quarters of our yearly dues allotment went to this process. It was decided that the money could be much better spent on programming and selection of

quality speakers.

Additionally we, as leaders in the information industry, must continually strive to forge ahead in the electronic, online arena. Thus you are now reading an all-electronically published and distributed bulletin. The bulletin editor will "push" the bulletin URL to each of us via the Kentucky Chapter listserv, to which all our members should now be subscribed. The listserv has been and will continue to be our virtual communications link. I invite everyone to share appropriate information and ideas over the listserv. I would like to see not only chapter business being conducted but also input to information that affects us all. Have you seen a cool website, know about an interesting published article or attended a training class/workshop that might be of interest to your colleagues? If so, please don't hesitate to use the KYSLA listserv for such purposes.

Watch the listserv for information regarding upcoming 2001 chapter events:  
March — Board Meeting and Workshop  
April — SLA/KLA Joint Spring Conference at Butler Park in Carrollton, KY  
May — Professional Development Session  
June — SLA Conference to be held in San Antonio, Texas  
See you soon! ✕

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## Call for Nominations for 2000/2001 Chapter Awards

—Submitted by the Awards Committee

*Outstanding Chapter Member Award* (awarded to an individual)  
*Professional Award* (awarded to an individual or a group)

Awards will be presented at SLA/KLA Joint Spring Conference, General Butler State Park, April 4-6, 2001.

Nomination forms must be received by **March 9, 2001**. Contact information is on the forms. *Please provide complete information on the nomination forms. While résumés/vitae are not required, the Awards Committee may request them if more information is needed.*

### Outstanding Chapter Member Award

This award shall be given to a chapter member for a notable or important contribution to the Kentucky Chapter of Special Libraries Association. Criteria include:

Full paid chapter member for at least one year. Chair or coordinator of a special project; someone who consistently volunteers to do chapter work; someone who enhances the goals of the chapter; or someone who consistently contributes ideas to committees or at board meetings that are incorporated for the enhancement of the chapter.

### Professional Award

This award shall be given to an individual or group in recognition of a specific achievement in the field of librarianship or to the subject field in which they serve. Criteria include:

Chapter member for at least one year. Continuing excellence and commitment to the field of librarianship or a subject specialty within. Significant contributions within the last 10 (ten) years. Examples include (but not limited to) extensive research on some library-related topic that culminates in the publication of a book or article(s) in a referred journal, or a presentation at a major conference or meeting; active participation on the national and/or international level promoting the library profession, such as chair of a division/section in a library or subject-oriented professional association. Consideration for this award is limited to professional library-related achievements. ✕

*(Please see nomination form on page 6)*

## Spring Conference

—Submitted by Wenda Webster Fischer

The Joint Spring Conference of the SLA Kentucky Chapter and the KLA Academic and Special Sections is planned for April 4-6, 2001, at General Butler State Resort Park. Butler State Park is in Carrollton, KY; a short drive from both the Louisville and Lexington areas.

The conference format is similar to past years, but there are several new features that you won't want to miss. The Kentucky AHEC Librarians Consortium is sponsoring two CE courses on Wednesday, April 4. Both courses, certified by the Medical Library Association, are being taught by excellent instructors, and are being offered for a substantially reduced rate.

The general session speaker, Mary E. Jackson, is offering insights on copyright and document delivery issues on April 5. After dinner on your own that evening, make sure to stop by the resort for our first dessert reception, aptly called "Sweet Talk"!

The conference has the usual array of business meetings, combined sessions and plenty of time for networking opportunities. SLA members presenting at the concurrent sessions include James E. Manasco, Ann Davidson, Beth Kraemer, and Lynn Fogle.

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## Odds and Ends from Savannah

—Submitted by James Manasco

Alice Marksberry, our esteemed President, has done a wonderful job covering the Winter Conference. I would like to add my encouragement to attend this very worthwhile event next year, if you are able. Here are a few notes and observations that were not directly conference related but did add to the overall enjoyment of the event to those of us who were there and I hope they will also help you to see the great value of this professional development opportunity.

· If you weren't there, you wouldn't have learned of our President-Elect's deeply ingrained...affection for Spanish Moss and her attempts to cultivate it in points further North.

· How many of our Chapter members now know the lyrics to a particular Jimmy Buffett tune due to their attendance of this conference? The chorus of which goes:

A piece of french bread with which to wipe my bowl  
Good for the body, good for the soul  
It's a little like religion and a lot like sex  
You should never know when you're gonna get it next  
--From "I Will Play for Gumbo" by Jimmy Buffett

· A pleasant discovery for probably more than one attendee was the existence of a couple of daiquiri bars that, in the holiest New Orleans-like tradition, allowed you to get your drink in a to-go cup and, yes it's true, WALK THE STREETS OF SAVANNAH WITH A DRINK IN YOUR HAND!!! HALLELUJAH!!!

· When you visit these wonderful cities, you are often able to partake of their cuisine and local or regional delicacies. One of which, pralines, was enjoyed tremendously by one of our past-Presidents.

· When visiting any city, you often have the opportunity to see local celebrities. Those of you who have seen the book or movie "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" no doubt remember The Lady Chablis (if not check out: <http://www.theladychablis.com>). Well, if you had come to Savannah you could have joined Debbie Sharp and me in experiencing The Doll in person at Club One Jefferson. Yours truly had the distinct honor of having The Grand Empress of Savannah sit on my knee. Alas, no camera was within easy reach!

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## Tee Time!

—Submitted by Wenda Webster Fischer

There are ample opportunities for a little golfing at the Spring Conference April 4-6, 2001, in Carrollton. If you are interested in playing, let me know and I'll arrange tee times for us. Contact Wenda Webster Fischer at [gibbs@infosourceinc.com](mailto:gibbs@infosourceinc.com).



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If you don't know what to do with your free time in between the programs, Carrollton offers a gambling boat and an outlet mall. We are at a Kentucky state park; so don't forget hiking and nature observing!

The registration materials have been mailed and the deadline for conference registration AND lodging is **Monday, March 5**. If you need registration materials, contact Wenda Webster Fischer at [gibbs@infosourceinc.com](mailto:gibbs@infosourceinc.com). ✕



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## Savannah is One Cool Spot!

—Submitted by Alice Marskberry

Savannah, Georgia was the place to be during January 25-26, 2001. The SLA Winter Meeting occurred during a couple of nice, sunny days in a beautiful town. The LDI (Leadership Development Institute) portion of the meeting again provided several very good sessions to help future SLA leaders at both the chapter and division level. As in St. Louis, the Board candidates served as the presenters in these sessions. This allowed members to take a good look at each candidate, as well as allowing members to explore and share their expertise with the current and future leaders of the association.

We were quite fortunate to have the Thursday night reception in a wonderful old Southern home. The *Green-Meldrim House* is said to be one of the South's finest examples of Gothic Revival architecture. Located on Madison Square in the heart of downtown, it is now the property of the Parish House of St. John's Episcopal Church. It is also a National Landmark, having served as the headquarters of General William Sherman when the Federal army occupied Savannah during the Civil War. The house was constructed in the 1850's by an Englishman, Mr. Charles Green and is indeed beautiful and el-

egant. The carved woodwork on the first floor is American black walnut with all the doorknobs, keyholes and such being silver-plated.

Of course Savannah was just too beautiful to ignore so we did manage to do some exploring while there! Our Kentucky attendees included yours truly, Wenda Webster Fischer, James Manasco, Debbie Sharp, Laura Wayne and Lillian Mesner. And as luck would have it, a good friend of Wenda's just happened to live there and graciously offered to show some of us some of the sights and experiences of this lovely city.

As most of you know, the setting for the book, "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" is in Savannah. I, apparently, am the ONLY person in this continental United States that has not YET read the book! I felt an acute disorientation as Wenda, James and Debbie chatted with our tour guide as they pointed out houses, squares and streets where the action took place in both the book and movie versions (Sorry to say, I must live in a cave, I have not seen the movie yet either! Sigh....). As you can guess, my Savannah souvenir was a copy of said book!

Truly the town is simply

lovely, one of the few places that could perhaps tempt me from my native Kentucky. Driving in, Wenda and I got a tad lost but didn't really mind, as we happened to be lost on one of the most scenic and quietly beautiful streets of the downtown area. The large trees with gently swaying Spanish moss dipping down like soft and gentle fingers greeted us after a fairly long ten-hour drive. Manicured, green squares are numerous and are scattered throughout the downtown area. The houses have a graceful presence, which is inviting and warm. I hope to someday revisit this friendly and gracious city. ✕

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· The opportunity to network with the movers and shakers of SLA is always a bunch of fun. I mean, how many times can you go up and introduce yourself to the President-elect of the association? And, you know what, it just keeps getting funnier every time!

Well that certainly doesn't cover everything, but I think it gives you a good flavor for the Winter Conference. Now, be sure and mark it on your calendars for next year! ✕

## SLA, Kentucky Chapter Treasurer's Report 2/12/01

—Submitted by Veronica Walker, Treasurer

### Welcome New KYSLA Members!

—Submitted by Gracie Hale,  
Membership Chair

Cassie L. Beck  
Student Member  
Biomedical and Life Sciences  
Division

David S. Shobe  
Member  
Sud Chemie Inc.  
Chemistry Division

Jo Staggs-Neel  
Member  
Science/Engineering Team  
University of Kentucky  
Information Technology Division

Lisa Thompson  
Student Member  
Information Technology &  
Museums, Arts and Humanities  
Divisions

### GRAND TOTAL (available for expenditures) \$2,679.07

Operating Budget	\$1,560.81
Savings Account Balance	\$1,118.26

### Deposits and Expenses made since last Treasurer's Report

#### Deposits

Meeting Income (Fall Conference)	\$ 532.00
KLA (reimbursement from student Pizza party)	\$ 18.36
Meeting Income (KYSLA Share of spring Meeting)	\$ 467.05
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>\$ 1,064.05</b>

#### Expenses

Lillian Mesner (reimbursement for Tillman gift)	\$ 60.00
Andrea Peak (reimbursement for coffee and speaker gift)	\$ 14.00
Alice Marksberry (reimbursement for flowers, fall conference)	\$ 69.96
Wenda Webster Fischer (reimburse for table cloths, fall conf)	\$ 7.96
The Patron (catering for 10/27 meeting)	\$ 468.00
Kinko's (newsletters)	\$ 123.03
Lillian Mesner (postage for Keeneland event)	\$ 44.61
Alice Marksberry (picnic expenses)	\$ 50.00
Wenda Webster Fischer (midwinter meeting)	\$ 200.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,037.56</b>

## InfoSource, Inc. Wins SLA-LMD Award

—Submitted by Wenda Webster-Fischer

The Library Management Division sponsors a Marketing Swap and Shop Competition at the SLA Annual Conference. Participants submit marketing materials such as campaign plans, print materials, and intranet designs that demonstrate successful or innovative marketing techniques.



Entries are divided into solo library, small, medium and large library, and consultants divisions.

The LMD displays competition submissions at the annual conference and invites all conference attendees to view the marketing resources of colleague libraries and consulting firms. For the 2000 Competition,

Info Source, Inc.'s submission of its "Info Bucks" marketing materials won first place in the Library Consultants Print division. The award included a First Place plaque and a \$100.00 cash prize. ✕



## 2001-2002 Slate of Officers

—Submitted by Pat Wilson

The SLA-KY Chapter Nominating Committee submits the following slate of officers for 2001-2002:

**President-Elect:** Larry Besant, Morehead State University

**Secretary/Archivist:** Mary Vass, University of Kentucky

**Treasurer:** Jo Staggs-Neel, University of Kentucky

**Director-at-Large:** Constance Ard, Greenbaum, Doll & McDonald Louisville Office

Additional names may be placed in nomination if filed with the Nominating Committee at least ten (10) days before the annual business meeting. A letter indicating a willingness to serve from the nominee must accompany additional nominations. The final report of the Nominating Committee shall be presented for a vote at the annual business meeting (April 4-6, 2001).

Thank you,

The Nominating Committee

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## Minority Membership Award

—Submitted by Elizabeth Smigielski

The PR/AA Committee is happy to announce that Ms. Raamesie Umandavi, Branch Manager of the Shawnee Branch of the Louisville Free Public Library, is the recipient of the 2001-2002 Minority Membership Award. Raamesie will receive a year's membership in SLA and will serve on the PR/AA committee. Raamesie expects to serve the PR/AA committee

by actively participating in career day activities, outreach presentations and promotional efforts to increase awareness and recruit minority librarians.

Raamesie received her MSLS from the University of Kentucky in 1996. She has been the branch manager at Shawnee since May 1998.



Previously, she worked as a Reference/Government Documents Librarian at Kentucky State University's Blazer Library.

Congratulations to Raamesie Umandavi on becoming a member of SLA. We hope to see her at the March board meeting and the Spring Conference at General Butler State Park.



## **Special Libraries Association, Kentucky Chapter Open Board Meeting March 15, 2001 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Please join us March 15 for an Open Board Meeting and afternoon program. Miko Pattie of the Kentucky Virtual Library will speak to the SLA Kentucky Chapter (and anyone else who is interested!) about the KYVL and what it can do for Special Libraries. She will also talk a bit about what the KYVL is and how it really is a special library itself.

Please join us in the William T. Young Library Gallery for the Board Meeting and lunch, then in the Auditorium for the program.

**10:30 a.m.      Open Board Meeting**  
**12:00 p.m.      Lunch**  
**1:00 p.m.      Miko Pattie: “KyVL and Special Libraries”**

Cost for Meeting, Program, and Lunch

SLA Members:    \$15.00  
Students:        \$10.00  
Non-Members:    \$20.00

Cost for Program only is \$10.00 for Members, Students, and Non-Members

To register, please contact Cindi Trainor via email at [cindi@email.uky.edu](mailto:cindi@email.uky.edu) or by phone at 859-257-0500 ext. 2115. Please mail payment in advance to:

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**SLA - KENTUCKY CHAPTER  
PROFESSIONAL AWARD, 2000/2001  
Nomination Form**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name                      First Name                      Middle or Maiden Name

Nominee's Home Address and Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe why the nominee deserves this award (attach additional sheets as necessary).  
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Nominee's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Home Address & Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator's Business Address & Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Additional information for the nominee may include any of the following:

- Education (Colleges attended, dates, degrees received)
- Professional Experience (Positions, Places, Dates)
- Professional Associations
- Workshops, Seminars (Conducted or participated in)
- Professional Publications (Title, Periodical, Date of Publication, etc.)
- Special Honors/Awards, etc. (Types, Dates)
- Hobbies or Special Interests

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**SLA - KENTUCKY CHAPTER OUTSTANDING  
MEMBER AWARD, 2000/2001  
Nomination Form**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle or Maiden Name

Nominee's Home Address and Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe why the nominee deserves this award (attach additional sheets as necessary).

Nominee's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated

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Additional information for the nominee may include any of the following:

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