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Senator Bill Hamrick Donates To Annie Belle Weaver Special Collections

Senator Bill Hamrick officially donated political papers and memorabilia to Ingram Library's Annie Belle Weaver Special Collections during a recent visit with acting UWG President Dr. Tim Hynes (left), Lorene Flanders, Director of University Libraries, Diane Fulkerson of Special Collections and Dr. Mel Steely, Director of Georgia's Political Heritage Program (right).



The donation consists of drafts and final legislation authored by the Carrollton native to include the Greenspace Trust Fund and the Hope Scholarship Joint Study Commission.

Dr. Hynes expressed gratitude and appreciation to Senator Hamrick in selecting the University of West Georgia to manage and maintain the collection.

Lorene Flanders, Director of University Libraries, stated that Ingram Library's "goal is to make this collection available not only to researchers, political scientists, historians and interested citizens, but to use the collection to teach students about the working processes within state government in an effort to develop good citizens and future leaders."

According to Dr. Steely, "Hamrick's papers join an impressive accumulation of donated materials associated with former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Newt Gingrich; former Speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives, Thomas B. Murphy; former Congressmen Bob Barr and Pat Swindall" and the legislative collections of Garner, Stallings, Duncan, Simpson and Thomas.

Farley's Presentation: An Ongoing Success

Melissa Farley's recent presentation entitled "Voyager for Serials: A Beginner's Guide" was well received by all attending GUGM (GIL Users Group Meeting) this past May. Melissa explained that "basically, I was telling new users how to use Voy-

ager for much of their serials work. It also gave our library an opportunity to share what we know with other university libraries." As a result of Melissa's presentation, employees from both Georgia Perimeter and Macon State libraries

scheduled additional training sessions with Farley at Ingram Library later this summer. Melissa noted that "the entire presentation, including notes and handouts, is available at <http://gil.usg.edu/gugm-presentations.htm>.

Betsy Griffies Receives Award/Retires

Ingram Library hosted a retirement reception honoring Betsy Griffies, who served as Head of Cataloging for 30 years. The June 27th event was held at the Alumni House with more than 100 guests in attendance.

Prior to the reception, Ms. Griffies was recognized during the May GIL Users Group meeting (GUGM). Ms. Mary Jo Fayoyin, Chair of the Regents Academic Committee on Libraries (RACL) presented an award to Ms. Griffies "in appreciation for exemplary service to GALILEO Interconnected Libraries."



Ms. Griffies served on the Cataloging Committee following the University library directors' decision to select a single vendor for an integrated library system. Ms. Griffies and the Cataloging Committee were responsible for writing part of the system requirements and evaluating vendor proposals. Ms. Griffies later served as a consultant for cataloging, union listing of serials, and authority control.

Ms. Griffies additionally served on the committee tasked with creating a policy and procedures manual for union listing of serials on OCLC (an international bibliographic database) and conducting subsequent

training throughout Georgia. A frequent presenter and chair of the GOLD (Georgia Public Library Database) Advisory Council, Ms. Griffies regularly attended the Georgia OCLC/SOLINET Users Group, for which she served as Vice-Chair (1999-2000) and chair (2000-2001). In 2001-2002, she chaired the GALILEO Electronic Resources Access Study Group responsible for the implementation of a link resolver on GALILEO.

An active member of the Georgia Library and the Southeastern Library Associations, she served as 2nd Vice President and chair of the Membership Committee until 1991. Ms. Griffies served the University of West Georgia and Ingram Library in many capacities and will be missed by all.

KIDD JOINS INGRAM LIBRARY

Ingram Library extends a huge WELCOME to our newest Library Assistant, **John Kidd**, who assumed his duties late January. When asked about his work, John commented, "It's my first library job although I had considered library work for years." John further revealed that he's now considering going to library school and has been accepted into a few graduate programs, but to date, remains undecided. John is a Carrollton native and was enrolled at UWG in 1996

before transferring to UGA where he earned the B.S. in Geology in 1999. John's parents live in Carrollton, his two sisters reside in Atlanta. When not working, John enjoys bicycling, hiking, movies, and books.



INGRAM TRAINS

G. Randall Cravey, GIL Service Site Coordinator, provided two days of intensive Voyager report systems training to Ingram library personnel during the summer.



Laptops are now available for students to check out on a 2 hour basis to assist in writing term papers. The laptops are configured with Microsoft Office suite and have wireless access!



Erin Gerber wins the 2007 Divisional Award of Excellence during Staff Appreciation Day!

Ingram Smiles



Angela Mehaffey and **Stacy Brown** introduce "Wiki's in the Workplace".



Yumi Alberg introduces Yuriko Cecilia



Director **Lorene Flanners** delivers 'Innovative Agent of Change' during

“Citizen of the Year” an Award Winning Event

With assistance from The Center for Public History, The Annie Belle Weaver Special Collections, Georgia’s Political Heritage and the West Georgia Foundation, Ingram Library was transformed into the ideal venue for the 2007 Murphy Center for Public Service Citizen of the Year Awards. With more than 125 guests, faculty and students in

attendance, former Governor Roy Barnes and Supreme Court Justice P. Harris Hines accepted this year’s awards following a reception and tours of the Murphy Holocaust Center and Special Collections.



Special music was performed during the reception by 11 year old Carrollton Orchestra member, Blake Bumgardner.



Former Governor Roy Barnes (above) defines true leadership as that which “comes out of crisis.” Supreme Court Justice Hines chats with Hema Ramanathan (left) during the reception; Barnes receives his award from Centennial Co-Chair Anne Richards and Murphy Public Service Chair, Dr. Stanley Caress (right).



Georgia Humanities Council Awards Grant

Daughters Martha Murphy Long and Mary Murphy Oxendine reflect on panels created by Diane Fulkerson as part of a special exhibit honoring former Speaker of the House Thomas B. Murphy, who donated his political papers and memorabilia to UWG following the 2003 closing of his state office. Both were in attendance for the Citizen of the Year Awards hosted by Ingram Library in partnership with the Murphy Center for Public Service, Georgia’s Political Heritage

Program, the Center for Public History, the Annie Belle Weaver Special Collections and the Thomas B. Murphy Holocaust Teacher Training and Resource Center.

Prior to the awards ceremony, Lorene Flanders, Director of University Libraries, announced plans to

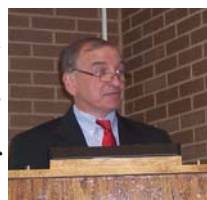


Ms. Martha Murphy Long and Mary Murphy

recreate the former speaker’s office within the library as part of a bipartisan center for public policy. In May, the Georgia Humanities Council awarded a \$6,000 grant for use in creating public interest through a traveling exhibit and community forum entitled “The Legacy of the Thomas B. Murphy Years.”

CHARLES E. BEARD ANNUAL LECTURE OFFICIALLY RENAMED

Director of University Libraries Lorene Flanders and Acting UWG President Tim Hynes officially renamed the library’s annual lecture series as the “Charles E. Beard Annual Lecture” in honor of the former director who led the library through a period of dynamic change and first established the Lecture Series in 2001. Beard is fondly remem-



Acting UWG President Dr. Tim Hynes remembers Charles E. Beard.

bered as an avid supporter for the development of GALILEO, one of the first web-based initiatives to make information resources available to all Georgians. Likewise, the Charles E. Beard Ingram Library Endowment remains one of the first donor opportunities created to support quality library

programs like the annual lecture, lunch and learn and special author events.

Contributions in support of the lecture series may be mailed to the University of West Georgia Foundation, Inc., 1601 Maple Street, submitted via internet at http://www.westga.edu/index_giving.php or by calling (678) 839-6582.

2007-2008 Ingram Library Special Events

August 15 – Ingram Library Open House

August 17 - 3:30 p.m. Centennial Time Capsule Ceremony and Reception

September 17 –Annual Constitution Day Community Celebration @ 11:00 a.m

October 1-5 – Banned Book Week

November 7 – A Feast of UWG Resources – An informative panel of special guests just in time for the holidays. Noon.

December 3-4 - Happy Holidays from Ingram- Hot Cider and treats- 8:30-11:00 am

January 25 – 100th Anniversary Celebration of the First UWG Library & Book

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mary Jane Rootes was recently elected to the GOLD/GALILEO User's Group Advisory Committee representing large academic libraries. Mary Jane will also serve as 2007-2008 Incoming President for the Bibliographic instruction Group (BIG).

Diane Fulkerson was appointed to a two year term on the Communications Committee of the College Libraries Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries.

Susan A. Smith was promoted to Associate Director of University Libraries.

Stacy Brown earned the M.L.I.S. degree from Valdosta State University this past June.

Victoria Gunther was appointed to the ALA/NMRT Student Chapter of the Year Award Committee.

A special congratulation to **JoAnna Browning** on the arrival of **Audrey Claire Browning**, the first Ingram Baby of 2007!

LUNCH & LEARN @ INGRAM LIBRARY



Susan Fishman-Armstrong (left) helps everyone become more comfortable with artifacts during National Anthropology Month and the Lunch and Learn Program. As part of her demonstration, participants were asked to describe the scenario as revealed by the artifacts at her feet.

Dr. Cita Cook (right) presents a personal perspective of how Women's Studies evolved to a maxed capacity crowd on International Women's Day. The event proved so successful that Ingram Library plans to make this an annual Lunch & Learn program!

Anyone interested in facilitating a 2007-2008 Lunch & Learn program should call 678-839-6355!



While participants enjoyed lunch and lively discussion, Dr. Jeffrey Reber presented his latest research entitled "Clashes, Compromises, and Collaboration: Examining the Impact of Teachers' and Students' Philosophies of Teaching on the Classroom Experience."



“ENGINEERING LIBRARIES FOR THE DIGITAL AGE”



Richard Meyer, Dean and Director of Libraries at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Brian Mathews, Information Services Librarian (nationally known as the Ubiquitous Librarian, www.brianmathews.com)

and Bonnie Tijerina, Electronic Resources Coordinator and ALA Emerging Leader, were guest speakers for the inaugural Charles E. Beard Annual Lecture to a standing room only audience. (A video recording of the presentation can be found by visiting <http://www.westga.edu/~library/depts/news/announcements.shtml>).

