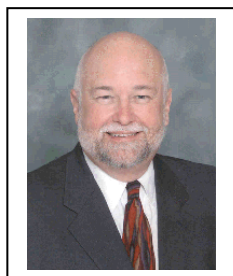


The Return of Dr. Martin



*Dr. Robert Martin, Lillian
Bradshaw Endowed Chair in
Library Science*

Dr. Robert Martin, former director of the National Institute of Museum and Library Services, has been appointed to the Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in Library Science at Texas Woman's University. Dr. Martin, who served as professor and interim director of TWU's School of Library and Information Studies prior to his federal post, will return to the Denton campus September 1. "I look forward to returning to TWU and to rejoining my colleagues in the School of Library and Information Studies," Dr. Martin said. "I'm also deeply honored to accept the position of Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair." The Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in Library Science is named in honor of Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, director of the Dallas Public Library from 1962-1984.

President George W. Bush nominated Dr. Martin in 2001 as the first librarian to serve as the Director of the IMLS, a federal grant-making agency dedicated to helping the nation's 15,000 museums and 122,000 libraries serve their communities. The U.S. Senate unanimously confirmed his nomination. During his tenure, the institute awarded 4,318 grants totaling more than \$861 million. These federal grants provided funding to libraries and museums for educational programs, community outreach, leadership development, and care and digitization of collections. His term with IMLS ended July 12. TWU Chancellor and President Dr. Ann Stuart said, "It is a pleasure to welcome Dr. Martin back to Texas Woman's University, and to honor him with an endowed chair. He represented the Institute of Museum and Library Science. Please see *Dr. Martin* on page 4

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A Message from the Director

Greetings! As we begin the Academic Year of 2005-2006, I want to give you some updates on the School, and share several exciting pieces of news.

First and foremost as you can see right next to this message, I am delighted to tell you about Dr. Robert S. Martin's return to TWU SLIS as the Lillian Bradshaw Endowed Chair in Library Science. Many of you who were with the School during 1999-2001 may have met Dr. Martin or have taken his courses, and know this extraordinary teacher and mentor. Dr. Martin moved back to Denton, TX, in July, after completing his four-year distinguished service to President Bush as the Director of Institute of Museum and Library Services. Dr. Martin is teaching one Master's level course and a doctoral seminar in Fall 2005. If you are at school some time, please stop by his office to say hello.

In addition to Dr. Martin, I am pleased to announce the well-deserved promotion of Dr. Lynn Akin to Associate Professor with tenure this year, and three new faculty members who join us in Fall 2005: Professor Hyuk-Jin Lee who is finishing up his Ph.D. at Rutgers, Professor Diane Neal who is finishing up

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her Ph.D. from the University of North Texas, and Dr. Joel Battle, who joined the School as the Visiting Assistant Professor. With all four new faculty, SLIS now has 15 full-time faculty members to serve our students.

Other equally exciting news I would like to share with all is our collaboration with Dallas ISD in the “A+ Project,” which recently received 3-year funding from the Institute of Museums and Library Services, to recruit and educate school librarians through the district’s Alternative Certification program. The project is led by Dr. Barbara Lerner of the Provost’s Office. Drs. Keith Swigger, Janet Hilbun and Kaye Bray are actively involved in the project.

As part of the budget for fiscal year 2006, SLIS was able to make permanent two half-time staff positions to support services to both faculty and students: the Practicum/Recruitment Coordinator, who will continue to assist all faculty and students in practicum arrangements and SLIS recruitment efforts, and the Assessment Officer, who will assist me and the faculty in data gathering, analysis and reporting for SACS Institutional Effectiveness, ALA Accreditation, and other assessment related activities.

As we begin the Fall 2005 semester, I am looking forward to more activities both internally to make our degree programs strong and externally to reach out to communities. SLIS faculty have begun to prepare for our next full accreditation review, the visit of which is scheduled in spring 2007.

Meanwhile, I hope you will keep in touch. Let us know of your achievements and adventures, and give us suggestions to make the School better. - Ling Hwey Jeng

IMLS awards SLIS

TWU SLIS was awarded with a \$905,030 grant from the IMLS through its 21st Century Librarians Program. Drs. Lerner, Hilbun, Bray, Swigger were on the committee that proposed the “A+ Project” and Dr. Jeng chaired the committee. As a result, TWU SLIS will collaborate with the Dallas Independent School District and the Universities Center at Dallas, combining their efforts and expertise to improve the accessibility and quality of library services for a diverse student population in the Dallas Independent School District. The project will extend the education of newly certified librarians through completion of their professional degrees. During this program, 45 students will complete the alternative district-based school librarian certification program and will go on to complete all requirements for the Texas Woman’s University master’s in library science degree.



Beta Phi Mu Nominees from Spring '05 Graduates

Claire Coggins	Rebecca McKee
Sue Ann Ethridge	Liz Norell
Cay Geisler	Laura Poff
Sue Hall	Ellen Reed
Hilary Haygood	Elizabeth Sargent
Joan Johnson	Amber Seely
Sarah Johnson	Doris Smith
Cindy Lund Moreno	Melanie Wachsman

New Faculty Welcome!

The School of Library and Information Studies welcomes three new full-time faculty members, Dr. Joel Battle, Professor Diane Neal and Professor Hyuk-Jin Lee. With these additions, the School now has 15 full-time faculty members.

Dr. Battle received his Ph.D. and his M.L.I.S. from the University of North Texas and his B.S. in Business/Administration and Management Information Systems from Chicago State University. He has been working as an academic librarian of administrative rank for the past nine and a half years. His graduate studies interests included information resources and reference services in culturally diverse communities, information resource development, foundations and fundamentals in library and information science, management of information organizations, systems analysis and design, telecommunications for information professionals, microcomputer applications for information management and electronic databases and services. Dr. Battle particularly concentrated on Information Theory and Design and Information Policy and Management. For the fall of 2005, he is teaching Technical Services and Reference. Dr. Battle said, "My passion is teaching. I have taught at the corporate, entrepreneurial, and academic levels all with success. My goal or mission is one day to have an empowerment program to help people solve problems in their lives and help them achieve their goals. I'm currently doing research for a book I'm writing, *Battle Plan to Success: How to Become the Person You Always Wanted to Be No Matter What the Obstacle*. I pride myself in being able to expand, learn, grow and share that experience with others in a meaningful and enjoyable way. TWU is the place I want to be. It provides me with a canvas to paint my passion for teaching."

Professor Lee received his B.A. from Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea, and his M.A. from the University of Michigan - Ann Arbor in Library Science. Professor Lee is teaching Information Storage and Retrieval and Multimedia Resources and Services this fall. A doctoral student at Rutgers University, Professor Hyuk-Jin Lee will complete his dissertation in the fall of 2005. His research interests include information retrieval focusing on traditional textual documents, web search behavior, evaluation of interactive information retrieval systems, human-computer



Blagg-Huey Library

interaction and image retrieval. Professor Lee said, "I am very glad to have a chance to start my career as a part of TWU. It is quite hot compared to where I used to live (east coast), however, people are so kind and encouraging that I can forget about the weather. I have no doubt I will enjoy every experience I build at TWU."

A doctoral candidate in interdisciplinary information science at UNT, Professor Diane Neal expects to complete her dissertation in the fall of 2005, in which she is investigating the image retrieval preferences of photojournalists. She received her B.A. in Spanish and her M.S. in Information Science from the University of North Texas. Prior to her

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Student Spotlight

LaTonya Pegues received the 2005 ALA Bound to Stay Bound Books Scholarship and the 2005 TLA Summer School Scholarship. Congratulations!

Doctoral student George Yi was awarded with the 2005 CALA (Chinese American Librarians Association) scholarship. Dr. Vardell said of Yi, "He is very hardworking and conscientious, determined to achieve his goals and make a difference."

MLS student Vicky Hays had an article entitled "Earning an MLS in Your Pajamas" accepted for publication in the spring edition of *Colorado Libraries* in a column called "Colorado Writes."

Doctoral student Linda Gens has been invited to the Mountain Plains Library Association's 4th Leadership Institute to be held at Ghost Ranch, New Mexico in October. She was also elected vice-chair/chair-elect of SMART (Supervisors, Managers, and

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appointment at TWU, she worked as a systems librarian for The University of Texas at Arlington. Her research interests include multimedia information retrieval, information visualization, human/computer interaction, usability, and information seeking in context. She is currently the co-chair of The American Society for Information Science and Technology's Visualization, Images, and Sound Special Interest Group, the chair of the Texas Library Association's Automation & Technology Round Table, and Web Producer for Library Technology NOW

(<http://www.librarytechnologynow.org>), a website featuring library technology news and product reviews written by library people for library people. Professor Neal is teaching The Internet for Library Science Majors and The Internet for Non-Library Science Majors this fall. In addition to the Internet, she has taught Systems Analysis and Design as well as Automation in the Library as an adjunct. "I am really excited about the opportunities that exist here in TWU SLIS," Professor Neal said. "And everyone has been so nice and welcoming. I'm just really happy to be here."

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Services with distinction during his tenure, and will continue his support for creating lifelong learners by helping the TWU School of Library and Information Studies prepare tomorrow's leaders in the information professions."

Prior to his work at TWU, Dr. Martin served as director and librarian of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. He has authored and co-authored several scholarly publications, including two best-selling books that reflect his interest and expertise in the history of the American Southwest. He has held elected and appointed roles in professional library and archives organizations. Among his many awards is the Justin Winsor Prize for best library history essay from the American Library Association. Dr. Martin received his PhD in library science from the University

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TWU Denton Campus

The Graduate Library and Information Studies Association

The Graduate Library and Information Studies Association (GLISA) is a TWU chartered student chapter of the American Library Association. GLISA's purpose is "to promote the social, cultural, intellectual, and professional growth of its members and support the School of Library and Information Studies. It will also facilitate and encourage participation in the American Library Association."

Exciting things are happening with GLISA this semester! We will begin holding elections for 2005-2006 academic year soon. We have a Blackboard site where members can get involved in discussions and leadership, such as "Tips for Success". We hope that you will take the opportunity to join GLISA if you have not already. Here are just few more reasons of why you should join GLISA:

- Develop professionalism.
- Leadership opportunities.
- Networking
- Mentoring.
- Great to include on resume.

Please visit

<http://www.twu.edu/cope/slis/gliba/glibahome.html> to become a member. For more information contact Paige Poe or advisors Dr. Evelyn Curry and Dr. Eileen McElrath.

of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, an M.L.S. from the University of North Texas and a B.A. in History from Rice University.

"As director of the Institute, my focus was on providing support for the important educational resources and services museums and libraries provide," Dr. Martin said. "One of the most important resources a library has is knowledgeable professionals who can meet the needs of a variety of patrons. The TWU School of Library and Information Studies does a tremendous job of preparing professionals who can thrive in an ever-changing environment, and I look forward to again being a part of that." In the fall semester, Dr. Martin will be teaching LS 5813, Information Professions and LS 6013, Education for Librarianship.

Focus on Faculty

Dr. Lynn Akin is the recipient of the 2005 International Beta Phi Mu Excellence Award. Beta Phi Mu is the international honor society of library science. The award was presented to Dr. Akin at the American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago in June of 2005. Congratulations to Dr. Akin on her promotion to Associate Professor with tenure status!

Dr. Ling Hwey Jeng was re-elected to the governing Council of the American Library Association as Councilor-at-Large for a three year term. The American Library Association is the largest library association in the U.S. with membership of more than 65,000. Dr. Jeng was also appointed to the Texas Library Association Task Force on Professionalism in LIS

education.

Dr. Ling Hwey Jeng's article, "The Points of ALA Task Force on Library School Closing," is published in PRISM Fall 2005 volume 13 number 2. It is available at www.ala.org/ala/accreditation/prp/prism/current/demystifyingcoawhatsbehindthestandards/TFLSC.htm

Dr. Ling Hwey Jeng gave a presentation at the Northeast Texas Library Systems Meeting on September 6 in Allen, TX. She reintroduced TWU SLIS to the audience, with a briefing on the recent history and state of SLIS's accreditation, and our intention to participate in regional library community activities.

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2005 SLIS Scholarship Winners

Mildred Dulaney Scholarship

Jennifer Austin
Ofilia Barrerra
Ellen Back
Lydia Bean
Alissa Cornelius
Elizabeth Enochs
Lisa Finnie
Amanda Goffinet
Tracy Hojak
Hope Holman
Kimberly Johnson
Shawn Lane
Sandra Malarcher
Jennifer Nagy
Karen Nickell
Leah Sims
Lisa Taylor

Beta Phi Mu Scholarship

Kimberly Gay
Paige Poe

Donna Jean Billington Scholarship

Carl Martin

Nita Parker Brogdon Scholarship

Beverly Harkness

Ralph and Kay West in Honor of Frances Myers Decordova

Sandra Andrews
Laura Simcock-Junck

D. Genevive Dixon Scholarship

Beverly Harkness
Carl Martin
Laura Simcock-Junck

Ex-Student Library Science Scholarship

Carl Martin

Karen Harrison Memorial Scholarship

Sandra Andrews

Natalie Forsyth Hermann Endowed Memorial Scholarship

Beverly Harkness

Ralph Johnson Endowment Scholarship

Sandra Andrews

H.W. Wilson Library Science Scholarship

Danene Hudson
Sandra Malarcher
Laura Simcock-Junck



Accomplished Alumni

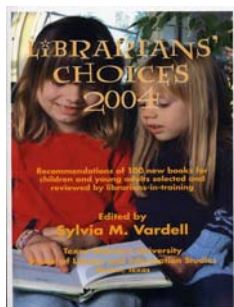
Lea Bailey, a Ph.D. graduate, has been chosen as the director of Irving ISD libraries.

Christie Gibrich, who works as a children's/youth services librarian for the Dallas Public Library, published her entry on author Laurence Yep in the Dictionary of Literary Biography. It is available online through Texshare's version of the DLB. This project grew out of her coursework for her MLS at TWU SLIS.

Sonya Bell, MLS graduate, was chosen as one of a select group that attended the HBCU (Historically Black Colleges and Universities) Library Alliance Leadership Institute I, which was held August 13, 2005 in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Renee Newry, MLS graduate, was a presenter at the Second Annual Child Care Provider's Conference in 2005. She spoke about new books for young children, including the TLA's 2x2 list (books for children age 2 to grade 2). Renee is also a member of the current TLA 2x2 Committee.

Librarian's Choices 2004



Edited by Dr. Sylvia Vardell, this book includes the 100 best children's and young adult books for the year selected and reviewed by students enrolled in LS 5903, Reviewing New Books for Children and Young Adults. It includes complete bibliographic information for all 100 titles, 100 book reviews, activities for sharing each book with children and teens, lists of related books for each title, and featured articles on the current trends of the year. It is \$10.00 + \$3.00 for shipping and handling and all profits support SLIS scholarship funds. To order please contact the SLIS office at jedgar@mail.twu.edu or at 940-898-2603.

Congrats to Spring and Summer 2005 Graduates!!

Mary Aguero	Susan Hall	Rebecca Laney	Laura Poff
Julie Arreguin	Carol Hanan	Cynthia Leach	Cynthia Ragan
Tamara Avants	Tonya Hartline	Isariya Locke	Dianne Ramer
Daniel Baca	Hilary Haygood	Kristi Madron	Ellen Reed
Natasha Benway	Victoria Hays	Michelle Mayo	Toscha Reeves
David Boschee	Margaret Heitman	Sarah McClure	Rodney Rich
Kimberly Bridges	Suzanne Hillin	Rebecca McKee	Julie Riland
Leacy Brown	Rebecca Holland	Kate McKinney	Elizabeth Sargent
Stacy Cameron	Sherry Horak	Lourdes McWithey	Amber Seely
Roberta Clements	Julia Hoy	John Merriman	Doris Smith
Claire Coggin	Jennifer Huddler	Cindy Moreno	Cassandra Spieles
Medha Engineer	Amy Hughes	Andrea Murphy	Ramanda Story
Sue Ann Ethridge	Cheryl Jacob	Camela Newsom	Danielle Strunk
Windy Flores	Melissa Jeffrey	Elizabeth Norell	Deidre Thomas
Christine Freeman	Anita Jennings	Erin Norris	Donna Van Cleve
Emily Garrett	Joan Johnson	Danica Odendahl	Melanie Wachsmann
Cay Geisler	Sarah Johnson	Asha Patel	Melodee Wagoner
Lea Ann Gilbert	Faith Johnston	Kendra Perkins	Shelley Walker
Maria Gonzales	Torri Kellough	Cynthia Pfladderer	Deborah Wright
Kelly Hall	Angela Kirkendoll	Kara Phillips	May Tong Yang
Mark Hall	Lynn Kostel	Tanya Plocica	

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Drs. Kay Bray and Ling Hwey Jeng were appointed by Dr. Jennifer Martin, Dean of the Graduate School, to the 2005-2006 Federation Committee (for Library Science). This committee of members from TWU, UNT and Texas A&M Commerce oversees the federation arrangement among the three campuses.

Dr. Jeff Huber recently co-authored an article entitled "F2F Connection: A Community Health Information Needs Assessment of Texas Families that Have Children with Chronic Illnesses and/or Disabilities and their Care Providers." The other authors were J.D. Dietrich, E. Cugini, and S. Burke. The article can be found in volume 93 of the Journal of the Medical Library Association.

Drs. Sylvia Vardell and June Jacko co-authored a publication entitled "Folklore for Kids: Exploring the Rhymes, Songs, and Games of Childhood." It can be found in volume 14 of Book Links, pages 29-33.

Dr. Sylvia Vardell is the President-elect of the United States Board on Books for Young People.

Dr. Eileen McElrath has been appointed by Interim Provost Dr. Carolyn Gunning to serve on the TWU Library Director Search Committee.

Dr. Robert Martin was appointed by the Secretary of State, Condollezza Rice to serve on the United States National Commission for the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) as a representative of state and local interests.

Professor Diane Neal serves as the Web Producer and head of the Editorial Board of Library Technology Now (LTN). The LTN website is the brainchild of the North Texas Regional Library System's (NTRLS) technology committee. It covers the current tech news, with detailed product reviews written by librarians for librarians.

Ms. Mary Ann Kitchens represented TWU SLIS at the 2005 NETLS Annual Awards Luncheon on June 15 at the Atrium of the Patty Granville Arts Center in Garland, TX. TWU SLIS contributed to the Award Luncheon with a pottery bowl hand-crafted by TWU Fine Arts students.



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Administrators Round Table) of the Oklahoma Library Association.

MLS student Emily Garrett had her review of *Letter in a Bottle* by Jahanna Malcolm published in the May 2005 issue of School Library Journal (page 133). Ms. Garrett works as a librarian at Naaman Forest High School in Garland, Texas.

MLS student Jill Lynch was selected to serve as the student representative to the Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee of the Medical Library Association.

Judith Brown McKenna received the 2005 GLISA scholarship which allowed her to attend the 2005 ALA Conference. Ms. McKenna is specializing in school library media and will be graduating in 2006. Of the experience she said, "After attending the ALA conference, I feel more confident about my decision to specialize in school library media. I love cataloging and technical services, but my experience has been in a school library setting. I want to start there and then maybe branch out into a different area in the library profession after a few years. I would like to write and do research to advance the profession."

Two new ALA Spectrum scholars will begin their MLS program of study at TWU SLIS in fall 2005: Ofilia Paola Barrera and Cheryl Denise Franklin. For more information about the Spectrum Scholarship, visit its website: www.ala.org/ala/diversity/spectrum/spectruminitiative.htm

Selina Rodriguez, a SLIS student, was selected for honorary recognition in the National Dean's List.

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Upcoming Events

ALA: Midwinter Meeting January 20-23, 2006 in San Antonio, Texas
<http://www.ala.org/ala/eventsandconferencesb/midwinter/2006/home.htm>

TWU SLIS Fall Forum September 30 - October 1, 2005

TLA Annual Conference April 25-28, 2006 in Houston, TX

Upcoming TLA District Meetings:
District 7 October 29, 2005 Tarrant County College - Northeast Campus

District 8 October 1, 2005 Katy ISD Morton Ranch High School

For further information consult:
<http://www.txla.org/html/dist/distmtg.html>

SLIS Goals

The School of Library and Information Studies prepares students for leadership roles in the information professions, including careers in librarianship and mass communications.

1. Development of professional competencies that reflect an appropriate balance between theory and practice, and an ability to meet the changing information needs of society.
2. Contributions to the improvement of information service through teaching, research, publication, and professional service.
3. Advance the profession of librarianship through the development of new knowledge about libraries and librarianship.



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