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## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

### The Shaping of Adventist Librarianship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

By Cynthia Mae Helms

To those of us who are used to attending conferences in a North American setting, ASDAL 2002 in Argentina gave us a different perspective. Meeting in another country outside North America strengthens our inter-national membership and gives us a chance to gain first-hand intercultural experiences. Attendees for this last conference came from Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Germany, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, South Africa, and the United States. There were several first-time attendees from South America and South Africa. Some of those who came from South America actively participated in the panel discussion and the breakout sessions.

People are different in many ways and we need to see librarianship in different parts of the world. We also need to see how our jobs relate to those around us, to compare what we do with what others do, and most of all to learn from each other. We must never lose sight of the fact that we need to see our professional roles in the context of the Seventh-day Adventist church and its organization. After all, we are not just librarians—we are *Seventh-day Adventist* librarians.

Argentina gave us a glimpse of what it is to make the most of what we have. I greatly appreciated the creativity of the Local Arrangements Committee in making our conference supplies similar to other conferences in spite of the financial situation of the country. The folders, some of which were in Spanish and others in English, were made in the Library's bindery. The conference bags were sewn locally. As expected of any international conference, things were done quite differently and the country's values became evident. We experienced Argentinean warmth and hospitality.

This is what an international conference is all about—learning, adjusting, acculturating, appreciating, and becoming broad-minded! It also gave us the opportunity to enjoy the nice, pleasant, cool weather during a time when we usually consider it summer here in North America. Thank you so much, Argentina! Kudos to Hernan Hammerly, the Local

Arrangements Committee, and his staff!

One outcome of this conference was the formation of the South American chapter of ASDAL. The members plan to translate a couple of *ASDAL Action* articles into Spanish and hopefully publish them in the near future.

Their newly elected officers are as follows:

General Coordinator: Sergio Becerra

Secretary: Nise Gutiérrez

Regional Coordinators :

Brazil - Eliethe Xavier de Albuquerque

Bolivia - Walter Meza

Perú - Jaime Vilcazán Quispe

Chile - Valentina Wevar Jarpa

Austral Union (Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay) -

Nise Gutiérrez

As the South American chapter strives to reach out to their fellow librarians in that part of the world, Ralph Koehler is striving towards activating the European chapter by planning an ASDAL Europe conference in Germany this coming summer. I urge members from the European countries to support Ralph in this endeavor. If the rest of us would like to support Ralph by attending that conference, please contact him for more information.

One other facet in the shaping of Adventist librarianship is information sharing. Since the Association meets only once a year as a group, we need to utilize different channels of communication. We are proud to let you know that the ASDAL home page has two additional features. The most recently revised "SDA Classification" scheme is now available on the ASDAL web site. Job hunters will be pleased to see a list of "Job Openings." Walla Walla College has posted the first job announcement. I invite all library directors to make use of this feature and help keep it current. I urge everyone to utilize the SDA-librarian listserv more often in communicating with other members of the Association.

The shaping of Adventist librarianship is evident in the changing composition of our association. Our founding fathers and original members of the Association are getting ready to retire. Some librarians are changing careers. Others are moving out of SDA employment. Some terms of office are coming to an end and the committees experience a

change in dynamics as new officers are elected to fill empty slots.

After the Argentina conference, I received a resignation from Violet Maynard-Reid who is stepping down from her membership in the Nominating Committee. The Executive Committee has been busy appointing officers to various committees. Below is the latest report of officers and committee members:

Web Site Coordinator: Stan Cottrell, 2002-04

Site Planning Committee, Chair: Ralph Koehler, 2001-04

SDA Classification Advisory, Chair: Stan Cottrell, 2002-05

Statistics Committee, Chair: Linda Maberly, 2002-05  
Nominating Committee, Member: Adu Worku, 2002-03

School Library Section, Chair: Wolfhard Touchard, 2002-05

The changing population and composition of SDA librarianship clearly shows the need to hire new librarians to replace those who are leaving for one reason or another. We need to open our eyes and utilize the personnel we have in our own libraries. There are staff members out there who are qualified to function professionally; there are student workers out there who are eager to step into the world of librarianship. Why look outside when we may just have the person we need right under our own roof? One way of recruiting librarians is through the Hilts Scholarship. Donations to this fund are always welcome. Since this has now been established as an endowment, only the interest will be used for scholarship purposes. The treasurer reports that we are only "about 1/3 of the way to being able to offer a scholarship."

The biggest challenge we face this year is the School Library Section. We would like the school librarians to keep up their membership. Let us make this Association relevant to their needs. We are calling on volunteers who are willing to advocate for them, to work towards meeting their needs, and to establish a way of communication even if they are not able to come to the annual conferences. One suggestion was for them to at least maintain a virtual presence through electronic communication. We realize that it has not always been financially easy for them to attend our conferences because of the lack of

administrative support. School librarians, we would love to hear from you.

We voted to write a handbook for libraries around the world. Since this was requested by the General Conference Department of Education, it will be funded by them. This project will be under the leadership of Annette Melgosa, past president, who initially received the request. The handbook will include school libraries, college and university libraries. This is a great leap forward and a worthy cause not only for the school librarians but also for the academic librarians. If you would like more information about this manual, direct your questions to Annette.

We look forward to a fruitful year of volunteering, participating, and contributing to the cause of this Association. I challenge the coordinators to do something worth reporting at the end of this year. I also challenge the committees to work together and carry on their discussion in the most convenient way possible—email, chat mail, telephone, etc.—whatever it takes to carry on the work that is before us. And don't forget to pay your membership dues.

I just received the minutes of ASDAL 2002 conference in my mail today. Sandra Browning is an example of service to the Association. She did not function as secretary because we as a body elected her to that position but because she has willingly donated her time and effort to function in lieu of Violet Maynard-Reid who did not come to Argentina. Not only did Sandra take notes, she has gone the second mile by writing the final report. She deserves a great big hand! Wonderful job, Sandra.

After performing the great task of collecting and reviewing possible sites under time pressure, the Site Planning Committee finally presented the Executive Committee with proposals for the next conference site. The Site Planning Committee composed of Ralph Koehler (Chair), Marilyn Gane, and Ruth Swan also deserves a round of applause. We are now ready to announce that the ASDAL 2003 conference will be held at Atlantic Union College. Watch the web site for the latest developments. The Conference Chair is President-elect Paulette Johnson and the Onsite Coordinator is Margareta Sbacchi. Let these people know if you would like to participate.

We appreciate the dedication of such members. We

can all do our share no matter where we are or whatever we do. Together, we can make the difference and contribute to the shaping of Adventist librarianship in this century.

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## **ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE TO HOST ASDAL 2003**

*By Paulette McLean Johnson*

"Libraries, Leadership and the Future" is the theme of the twenty-third annual ASDAL Conference which will be held at Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster, Massachusetts, June 13-18, 2003.

Preliminary plans include a Seventh-day Adventist heritage tour on Sabbath, Adventist Resources Section meetings on Sunday, full conference schedule on Monday, day tour on Tuesday, and conference schedule on Wednesday. We especially invite you to attend the agape feast planned for Friday evening, June 13.

The officers of ASDAL hope this schedule will allow you to plan now for an enriching learning experience in beautiful and historic New England.

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## **HIGHLIGHTED MINUTES OF THE 22nd ASDAL CONFERENCE**

### **“Shaping Adventist Librarianship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”**

**June 26-30, 2002  
Universidad Adventista del Plata  
Libertador San Martin, Entre Rios,  
Argentina**

*By Sandra Browning*

**Wednesday, June 26**

Welcome: Hernan Hammerly, Onsite Coordinator

Devotional: Julian Melgosa, Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies, Philippines

Opening Ceremony: Ana Maria Peruchena, President, Association de Bibliotecarios Graduados de la Republica Argentina; Susana Schulz in behalf of Luis A. Schulz, President, Universidad Adventista del Plata (UAP); Annette Melgosa, President, ASDAL; Cynthia Helms, President-elect, ASDAL and Chair, Conference Program; Hernan Hammely, Onsite Coordinator

#### **Tour**

All day tour that began in Buenos Aires and ended in Libertador.

**Thursday, June 27**

Welcomes to ASDAL and UAP were given by: Annette Melgosa, President, ASDAL; Carlos Steger, Academic Vice President, UAP; Cynthia Helms, President-elect, ASDAL and Chair, Conference Program; Hernan Hammerly, Onsite Coordinator and Director, I.E.Mohr Library, UAP, Argentina

Devotional: Jorge Torreblanca, Professor of Theology, UAP, Argentina

Keynote Address: "The Life of Books and the Books of Life," Francisco Delich, former director, National Library, Argentina

Presentation: "Free Spanish and English Language Medical Resources on the Internet: Preparing Portals at the Reference Department of an Academic Library," Sergio E. Becerra, Reference Librarian, UAP, Argentina

#### Business Session I

Annette Melgosa, ASDAL President, announced the Executive Committee's appointment of Chloe Foutz as Parliamentarian for the Business Sessions.

Reports:

- \*President - Annette Melgosa
- \*Secretary - VOTED
- \*ASDAL *Action* - Lauren Matacio

2002 Election Results:

President-elect: Paulette Johnson (2002-2003)  
Secretary: Marge Seifert (2002-2004)  
ASDAL *Action*: Lauren Matacio (2002-2004)  
Constitution & By-Laws Committee: Petre Cimpoeeru (2002-2005)  
Scholarship & Awards Committee: Margaret von Hake (2002-2005)  
SDA Classification Advisory Committee: Stan Cottrell (2002-2005)  
SDA Periodical Index: Gilbert Abella (2002-2007)  
Site Planning Committee: Marilyn Gane (2002-2005)  
Statistics: Linda Maberly (2002-2005)

VOTED: Members for the Nominating Committee - Pat Beaman, Jim Ford, Violet Maynard-Reid, Bruce McClay, Adan Suriano

VOTED: Members for the Resolutions Committee - Chloe Foutz, Het Jane Carvalho, Keith Clouten

Reports:

- \*D. Glenn Hilts Scholarship Fund - Chloe Foutz
- \*ALICE Council - Carolyn Gaskell

Other Business: The Education Department of the General Conference has requested that ASDAL create a library manual. VOTED that we accept their proposal to produce a manual for school and academic libraries around the world. During breakout sessions each group will appoint one member to a

committee that will work with Annette Melgosa to create the document. The committee should include representation from various parts of the world and different school levels.

#### **Sabbath, June 29, 2002**

Crespo Campo Denominational Tour

#### **Sunday, June 30, 2002**

Devotional: "Blessed are Your Eyes for They See," Nestor Alberro, Principal, UAP High School, Argentina

Presentation: "Library Liaison Programs in the 21st Century," Lauren Matacio, Head, Bibliographic Services Department, Andrews University, USA

#### Business Session II

Reports:

- \*Treasurer - Lee Wisel
- \*Adventist Resources Section - Jim Ford
- \*SDA Classification Advisory - Lorraine Grace
- \*SDA Periodicals Index - Jim Ford
- \*Overseas Library Coordinator - Keith Clouten
- \*Website Coordinator - Stan Cottrell

Presentation: "Back to the Future: Marketing the Library in the 21st Century," Bruce McClay, Assistant Librarian, Walla Walla College School of Nursing, USA

Panel Discussion: "SDA Latin American Libraries: Now and the Future," moderated by Fredy Rivoir, Collection Development Librarian, UAP, Argentina. Panel members: Adan Suriano, Mexico; Eliethe Xavier de Albuquerque, Brazil; Valentina Weva Jarpa, Chile; Jaime Vilcazán Quispe, Peru.

Presentation: "When the Rivers Dry Up: Planning in Times of Financial Stress," Keith Clouten, Library Director, Andrews University, USA

### Business Session III

#### Reports:

- \*Ad Hoc Committee on Distance Education - Carolyn Gaskell
- \*Site Planning Committee - Ralph Koehler
- \*South American Chapter - Hernan Hammerly and Sergio Becerra

#### **Breakout Session Reports:**

- \*Public Services - Bruce McClay. Motion to have a page added to the ASDAL Website to list job openings. VOTED.
- \*Bibliographic Services - Jim Ford
- \*Directors - Jaime Vilcazán Quispe
- \*School Librarians - Katye Hunt

Other Business: Eliethe Xavier de Albuquerque requested that ASDAL have a song that identifies this Association. The Executive Committee will take a closer look at this matter. VOTED.

#### **Banquet and Final Business Meeting**

Resolutions Committee report was read by Chloe Foutz.

Annette Melgosa turned her gavel over to Cynthia Helms, the new President.

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### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS CANDIDATES**

*By Jim Ford*

Your nominating committee is working to fill the various offices for the 2003-2004 year. We strongly encourage you to let us know if you would like to volunteer for any of the available positions. We received a few volunteers at the Argentina conference, but most of you were not present there and did not get the opportunity to volunteer. NOW is your chance.

Here are the positions available: President-elect, Treasurer, and SDA Classification Advisory Committee member (requires familiarity with the SDA classification scheme).

Officers should have reliable e-mail access and some fluency in communicating in the English language. If you do not wish to volunteer, please feel free to let us know of colleagues who may be interested or would do a good job. Please respond to me at [fordjim@andrews.edu](mailto:fordjim@andrews.edu) by Nov. 25. Other members of the nominating committee are Adu Worku, Adan Suriano, Bruce McClay, and Pat Beaman.

Thank you for being a part of your professional organization.

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### **RETIRED LIBRARIAN LEAVES LEGACY OF SERVICE**

*By Lauren Matacio*

Lois J. Walker, a retired librarian who served in Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) academies and colleges around the world for over 50 years, died on April 22, 2001 in St. Helena, California at the age of 96.

Throughout her career Walker was actively involved in the development of SDA librarianship. She presented a paper entitled "Cooperative Indexing of Seventh-day Adventist Periodicals" at the August 1957 meeting of SDA College Librarians at Washington Missionary College, Takoma Park, Maryland. Her paper pointed out that uniformity was needed in the indexing done at that time on cards by La Sierra College, Union College, and Washington Missionary College. The "need for retrospective indexing and a list of SDA subject headings, an analysis of how cards could be shared, and the possible cost of a cooperative index" were also stressed (Crane).

*A Guide for the Librarian in Seventh-day Adventist Secondary Schools* was prepared by Walker in 1963 for the General Conference Education Department. This comprehensive 150-page guide covers selection, acquisition, and processing of library materials; administrative duties such as record keeping, budgeting, and staff development; library instruction; and relationships with the principal and other faculty members. It was revised in 1978.

Born in North Dakota on May 24, 1904, Walker attended Emmanuel Missionary College, the University of Nebraska, and the University of Denver. In 1945 she assumed the position of assistant director of the Pacific Union College library and later became its director. During her tenure she reorganized, changed, and developed the facility “almost beyond recognition,” according to *Viewpoint*. Nineteen years later Walker joined the faculty of La Sierra College, after which she spent three years at Kettering College of Medical Arts in Ohio. She then returned to St. Helena, California to retire.

Not satisfied with being a stay-at-home retiree, Walker soon left her retirement home and answered a call to travel to Indonesia. She assisted libraries and taught English at Indonesia Union College and Mount Klabat College. Pakistan was her next destination, followed by Greece. After seven years of international library service, she returned to St. Helena and retirement.

Walker was an excellent mentor to all of us. Her life of service in SDA libraries around the world is inspiring and challenging. One person of commitment can certainly make a difference.

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Thanks to Bessie Lobsien for suggesting this article.

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## ASDAL WEB SITE UPDATES

By Stan Cottrell II

There have been some long-awaited additions to the ASDAL web site in recent weeks. First, *A Classification Scheme for Adventists and Ellen White* is now available in electronic format on the web page. This is a revision of the Library of Congress BX6100 classification schedules created by Keith Clouten and Warren Trenchard. Formerly only available and updated in paper format, the new edition is now ready for downloading and printing in Adobe PDF format. Many thanks to Marilyn Crane, editor of the publication, for her work in getting the new edition ready.

Also, issues of *ASDAL Action* are now available back to volume 1, number 1. They are also in Adobe PDF format. I had the help of my student worker, Tanisha Greenidge, in scanning most of these issues. These are all the issues available to me from the Columbia Union College periodicals collection and from Lee Marie Wisel’s personal archives.

Following a recommendation made at this summer’s ASDAL Conference, there is also a “Job Openings” page. Openings in SDA libraries can be posted here for distribution to a wider audience. If you have, or know of, any open positions, please contact me with that information so they can be included in this section.

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## SOMETHING FISHY AT ANDREWS?

By Keith Clouten

When someone at the Pike Place Fish Market in Seattle threw a fish to someone else a few years ago, it created the kind of “splash” that sent ripples around the global pond. Now thousands of tourists visit Pike Place every year to see vendors and customers having the fun of their lives. Two years ago Steve Lundin and his co-authors launched *Fish!* which has become a bestseller in the field of business motivation, and the “fish” philosophy has since captured the attention and excitement of business and professional people across the nation.

It also caught the attention of a small committee at James White Library planning the annual staff retreat day in August 2002. *Fish!* was chosen as the theme for the retreat. Each staff member received a personal copy of the book, and the event became “A Fishing Excursion.” The fact that the retreat venue was a lakeside conference center just added to the atmosphere.

The four principles of the fish philosophy seem obvious, perhaps trifling, at first: “Play,” “Make Their Day,” “Be There,” and “Choose Your Attitude.” However, their application at workplaces as diverse as Sprint telephones, Toyota sales, a roofing company, and a medical center, has in every case made a significant difference to the morale of the staff and the level of customer satisfaction. So why not James White Library? The retreat day emerged as a day of fun, great interaction, and ideas for applying *Fish!* to everyday life at the library.

The first real opportunity to put *Fish!* into practice came less than three weeks after the retreat. The second James White Library Fair had already been planned for the third Sunday afternoon of the new school year with, coincidentally, the theme “Sailing the Great Lakes to Information.” It was an opportunity for the entire library staff to meet and welcome crowds of students to the library in a fun setting. Besides receiving goody bags with discount coupons and enjoying free food, juice, and live music, attendees qualified for valuable prizes by testing their knowledge and search skills at play stations throughout the library. By the end of the day, 50 people had taken away prizes with a combined

value of \$2,000, and staff members went home feeling tired but happy that they had “made their day” and had a lot of fun doing it.

The library’s speedy application of the *Fish!* philosophy has set the pace for the whole university’s adaptation of the *Fish!* philosophy as this year’s management emphasis.

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## REFERENCE RESOURCES GUIDE CREATED

By Wolfhard Touchard

How can librarians keep up with the increasing number of information resources in print and electronic format?

In my role as reference and database librarian, I designed *Print and Electronic Reference Resources* (<http://www.andrews.edu/library/RefDesk/guides/ref-resources.html>) to cope with this dilemma. Although this site was mainly developed for the training of the James White Library information/reference desk staff, it is also for librarians who need training exercises for their students and personnel. In addition, it is an accessible tool for developing a reference collection.

The reference titles are organized under two general headings: “General Reference Resources” and “Reference Resources by Subject.” Each title outlines the purpose, authority of publisher, arrangement, and table of contents. The citation also gives price information, LC classification, and LC subject heading. A set of reference questions is given for each title. The answers are provided in a separate file.

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## RANDOM SURFING

By Larry Onsager

I would like to start a column for sharing web sites of interest. Please email me at [lonsager@andrews.edu](mailto:lonsager@andrews.edu) if you wish to share web sites with your colleagues.

I recently became aware of an international web site, *Bibliotheca Alexandrina: Library of Alexandria* at [www.bibalex.gov.eg](http://www.bibalex.gov.eg). The site supports three languages: Arabic, English, and French. It is viewable only with Internet Explorer and requires a flash applet.

In 1988, Egypt in cooperation with UNESCO, decided to build a new public library in Alexandria that would be a center of culture, science, and academic research. The new Bibliotheca Alexandrina is located almost on the same site as the ancient library-museum complex. The ancient library of Alexandria was built by the Greeks at the beginning of the fourth century B.C. and was estimated to store more than 700,000 scrolls. Fires and wars destroyed the library in about A.D. 500.

The Bibliotheca Alexandria was officially inaugurated on October 16, 2002. This new library which is linked by a bridge to the University of Alexandria houses eight million books and consists of three museums, five research institutes, several exhibition galleries, a planetarium, and a 3,000-person conference center. The library collection is displayed over seven levels according to the Pyramid of Knowledge, from the Roots of Knowledge to the New Technologies. The director, Ismail Serageldin, hopes the library will be a center of excellence for intellectual and scientific achievements and a forum for discussion and intellectual exchange between cultures.

A conference with the theme "World Heritage in the Digital Age," was hosted a few days after its inauguration. The aim was to provide a forum to explore and demonstrate successful applications of information technology in the various domains related to the management of cultural and natural heritage sites. The library is again becoming a meeting place for the three continents of Asia, Africa, and Europe.

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## FROM A DISTANCE . . .

Coordinated by Marilyn Gane

Ann Greer of Southern Adventist University (SAU) represented libraries and ASDAL at the recent Adventist Virtual Learning Network (AVLN) Distance Education conference. SAU hosted the conference this year in June. ASDAL has been represented at AVLN (previously Adventist Virtual Learning Library) since 1998 when Greer and Peg Bennett presented the concept of an electronic library interface exclusively tailored for use by distance learners. Generally, distance students glean from a library's main homepage what they can use. This year Greer added two features to the electronic library: 1) the ease of interfacing the electronic library with online courses, and 2) the ease of integrating faith and learning. In this edition of *From A Distance...*, she shares an overview of her paper, *Anywhere, Anytime Library Support*.

### **Anywhere, Anytime Library Support**

#### *Interfacing the Virtual Library with Online Courses*

The ease of interfacing the virtual library with online courses for single-portal authentication is possible with the use of authoring tools. Single-portal authentication means that a distance learner types a login and password only once to access all information pertaining to an online course, including online library resources. SAU uses the authoring tool provided by the software provider, WebCT. The tool allows for the customization of hyperlinks on an online course's main menu so that a student need not exit the course to access the electronic library. Distance education librarians simply need to request that the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) to the electronic library be added to each online course menu.

A perusal of SAU's URL to its electronic library, <http://www.library.southern.edu/disted>, reveals a variety of synchronous and asynchronous electronic

library support. For example, when students click on “Desktop Conferencing,” they can have a live session with the reference librarian or other support personnel of the library. The “Tutorials” hyperlink routes students to a variety of online instruction. SAU has distance education students in international time zones and the 24/7 asynchronous support helps give precise syntax to search for nursing, religion, business, etc. resources. Thus, students do not have to wait until the SAU staff are on duty to assist with searching techniques. Other tutorials assist with evaluating resources, reviewing basic information literacy skills, choosing search engines, and more. Also at the website is a language translator for students who find information in an unfamiliar language. This convenience is especially useful for English as a Second Language students.

Just as technology and the Internet have facilitated the delivery of anytime, anywhere education, likewise, these assets can be exploited by librarians to respond with anytime, anywhere library support. The profession has become more challenging because much of the information resides in cyberspace over an infrastructure of global networking. Halman mentions with playful irony the twenty-first centuries B.C. and A.D.

It was in the twenty-first century B.C. that the first library emerged—a collection of clay tables in Babylonia. It gave rise to a tradition that evolved over four millennia, culminating in the monumental libraries of our present century. In the twenty-first century A.D., however, cyber-space and the harnessing of the Internet will give the world a revolutionary dynamic that could well be called “libernetics” (Halman, 1995, p. 895).

#### *Integrating Faith and Learning*

“As Christian educators, we recognize that in Seventh-day Adventist schools, an authentic integration of faith and learning must occur throughout the academic enterprise” (Taylor, 2001, p. 5). The hyperlinking capabilities of the Internet make it possible for educators to route students to text, images, and multimedia to illustrate a Biblical concept within the context of a course module. But how can an Adventist electronic library promote faith? Two avenues are described below.

The SAU electronic library homepage follows human computer interaction (HCI) principles developed by

computer scientists. HCI principles promote cognitive process, memory, and orientation by color-coding and grouping. Optional usability features include resource descriptors. The resource descriptors used in SAU’s design are the globe and the Biblical verse. The globe portrays the worldwide mission of the denomination and the verse depicts its spiritual dimension.

Linking images of the library’s spiritual displays is another avenue for integrating faith and learning into an electronic library’s support. Distant students cannot physically visit the on-campus library but throughout the semester when they access the “News” hyperlink they learn of Adventist pioneers, distinctive truths of the denomination, and Spirit of Prophecy principles.

#### *Conclusion*

Recent advances in technology have made it possible and practical for academic libraries to provide support to distance learners comparable with what on-campus constituents receive. By making use of technology and harnessing the power of the ubiquitous Internet, a library can position itself to meet the challenge of quality support in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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#### **Conferences**

Here are some dates for your calendar:

ACRL 11th National Conference: "Learning to Make a Difference"  
April 10-13, 2003, Charlotte, North Carolina  
<http://www.ala.org/acrl/charlotte/registration/registration.html>

Adventist Virtual Learning Network Distance Education Conference  
June 30 - July 2, 2002, Canadian University College  
(still to be confirmed)  
<http://www.avln.org>

19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Distance Teaching and Learning  
August 13-15, 2003, Madison, Wisconsin  
<http://www.uwex.edu/disted/conference/>

### Online Resources to Bookmark

Slade, A.L. (2002) Library Services for Distance Learning: The Fourth Bibliography  
<http://uviclib.uvic.ca/dls/bibliography4.html>

Sloan, B. (2002) Bernie Sloan's Digital Reference Pages  
<http://www.lis.uiuc.edu/~b-sloan/bernie.htm>

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## ADVENTIST RESOURCES COLUMN

By Marilyn Crane

*Christian millenarianism: from the early church to Waco.* Edited by Stephen Hunt with a foreword by David Martin. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2001. 258 p. ISBN 0253340136. \$22.00. A group of essays which covers the history of Christian "millennial dreams" from a variety of perspectives. Seventh-day Adventists are covered in several sections.

Doukhan, Jacques B. *Israel and the church: two voices for the same God.* Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 2002. 108 p. ISBN 1565636163. As stated by one reviewer, this book "encourages a reckoning of the

soul—for both Christians and Jews—to overcome theological prejudice and mistrust." The author is professor of Hebrew Language, Exegesis, and Jewish studies, director of the Institute of Jewish-Christian Studies at Andrews University, and editor of *Shabbat Shalom*.

Gray, Meredith Jones. *As we set forth: Battle Creek College & Emmanuel Missionary College.* Andrews Heritage, v. 1. Berrien Springs, MI: Andrews University, 2002. 369 p. ISBN 0971979103. \$30.00. A history of Battle Creek College and Emmanuel Missionary College, forerunners of Andrews University. A handsome book filled with interesting text and many photographs.

*Honors handbook.* Lincoln, NE: AdventSource, 2001. Revised. Unpaged in a 3-ring notebook. \$20.00. This manual contains information about "all the honors currently recognized by the General Conference Youth Ministry department and also those specialized honors recognized by various Divisions." (For purchase information see [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org))

*Let the earth speak of God's creation.* Edited by Albert A. C. Waite. Riseley, England: Mandra Pub., 2001. 148 p. ISBN 0954042905. \$30.00. Waite, scientist and educator, is joined in this work about the Bible and science by four scientists from the Geoscience Research Institute. (Publisher address: P.O. Box 5136, Riseley, RG7 1GT, England)

Morgan, Douglas. *Adventism and the American republic: the public involvement of a major apocalyptic movement; with a foreword by Martin E. Marty.* Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Press, 2001. 269 p. ISBN 1572331119. \$32.00. The author "examines the role Adventism has played in American public life and explains its positions from the standpoint of the church's historical development, showing that its relationship with public policy, government, and politics is far more complex than most historians have believed."

Murray, Donald W. *Called to a ministry of caring: a dean's guide to residence hall leadership.* Lincoln, NE: AdventSource, 2001. 231 p.

ISBN 1577560922. \$15.00. The author, who has had forty years of experience as a residence hall dean (including Andrews University), has written about real issues faced by deans at secondary and college level institutions. (For purchase information see [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org))

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## BYTES AND BITS

### Andrews University

Cynthia Helms, Head, Information Services Department, is author of an article published in the *Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery & Information Supply*, v. 12, 2001. The article, entitled, "The Impact of Databases on Interlibrary Loan Borrowing," summarizes and interprets results from a ten-year study at James White Library.

Marilyn Gane, Head, Periodicals Department, and Keith Clouten, Library Director, have co-authored an article entitled, "New Directions in Serials Management," to be published shortly in *Collection Management*, v. 27. The article builds on experience gained through implementation of the Library's "Periodicals Plan 2000."

Wolfhard Touchard, Reference & Database Librarian, presented research on "The Value of Handouts or Study Guides as a Teaching Tool" at the 28th National Library Orientation Exchange (LOEX) in Ypsilanti, Michigan May 19, 2000. His poster session has just been published in *First Impressions, Lasting Impact: Introducing the First-Year Student to the Academic Library*.

Keith Clouten ([clouten@andrews.edu](mailto:clouten@andrews.edu)) and Wolfhard Touchard ([touchard@andrews.edu](mailto:touchard@andrews.edu))

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### Florida Hospital College

At a September faculty/staff meeting, President David Greenlaw of Florida Hospital College

announced the planned retirement of Library Director Marley H. Soper. The retirement is effective July 1, 2003. In the near future the college administration will begin the process of finding a new library director.

Florida Hospital College has grown from approximately 240 students in 1992 to 1,065 this fall. The college is very crowded and must use night classes to make classrooms available. The Robert Arthur Williams Library is now making plans for future expansion and development. The library has turned the computer lab and the Learning Resource Center (LRC) over to the new Department of Information Technology and Academic Services. The library staff is still cataloging materials for the LRC.

The college is planning a new building to house administrative services and classrooms and also a new building to house students.

Marley Soper ([Marley.Soper@FHCHS.edu](mailto:Marley.Soper@FHCHS.edu))

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### Pacific Union College

The PUC Library has a new web page. It took a whole summer to do it but it was worth the effort and looks much better than its predecessor. Take a look at: <http://library.puc.edu/library/index.shtml>. Two things caused a change in our web page. Firstly, PUC itself changed its web page and the library adopted its templates. Secondly, we were not satisfied with the old web page. The new one is less crowded and just as informative.

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### Walla Walla College Seeks Reference Librarian

Peterson Memorial Library, Walla Walla College (WWC), has an opening for a Reference Librarian. Full-time, tenure-track, academic rank dependent upon qualifications. Reports to Director of Libraries. Starting date is June 2003.

Qualifications: ALA/MLS, knowledge of current reference practices, active service orientation, experience using print and digital resources, online database and Internet searching ability, excellent oral and written communication skills, familiarity with ILL procedures, bibliographic instruction methods,

demonstrated commitment to the use of new information technologies, particularly in reference and instruction, and an ability to work with faculty, students, staff, and vendors in an academic setting. Individual and group teaching skills and the ability to relate well to College faculty are also important. Post-MLS experience in a college library environment and background in the sciences considered an asset. Excellent managerial and organizational skills required. Relevant supervisory experience preferred.

Position Summary: Primary provider of general reference, Interlibrary Loan and courier services. Works with online reference services and local and regional consortia. Responsible for reference collection development, stack maintenance, and electronic document delivery. Is liaison for faculty research and to Academic Departments for reference collection development. Administers reference book budget (\$50,000). Uses ARIEL and CLIO in providing ILL services. Provides leadership in planning and managing reference operations. Works closely with Missoula MSW Library/PC Lab, the Billings MSW site, and Portland SON Library in providing ILL services. In addition to day-time reference, is scheduled for reference duties one night per week until 11:00pm and until 2:30pm on Fridays. Participates in bibliographic instruction, library orientation, and other end-user training activities. Supervises student assistants.

General Responsibilities: Librarians are appointed as members of the WWC faculty and are expected to participate actively in the faculty governance system. A progressive record of professional achievement is also expected.

Interested Adventists send letter of application, resume, and three recent references, including phone numbers to:

Carolyn Gaskell, Director of Libraries, Walla Walla College, 104 S. W. Adams, College Place, WA 99324 ([gaskca@wwc.edu](mailto:gaskca@wwc.edu)). Telephone: 509-527-2133; FAX: 509-527-2001.

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## From the editor . . .

Is *ASDAL Action* more than a newsletter? A quick look at last year's issues reveals that space in our publication was used as follows: Association news and business - 36%, news about SDA libraries and librarians - 24%, columns - 20%, reviews - 11%, scholarly articles - 7%, and essays and miscellaneous - 3%. If we want our publication to be more than a newsletter, we must submit scholarly articles and reviews. Each person's contribution is important as we seek to network and support each other. *ASDAL Action* needs you!

A suggestion was made to me that ASDAL publish an electronic journal devoted to scholarly articles, reviews, and conference presentations. This would change the content of *ASDAL Action*. What do you think about this idea?

Please let me know what you would like to see for our publication in the future.

Lauren Matacio ([matacio@andrews.edu](mailto:matacio@andrews.edu))

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