

## *Beta Phi Mu –*

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Honor Society

## *– Chi Chapter News*

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### **Career Exploration Forum**

We hope that you will be able to join us this year for our annual Career Exploration Forum. On **Friday October 13**, we will begin at 1:30 p.m. with a panel of LIS professionals who will speak briefly about their respective careers. At 3:15, we'll introduce other local LIS Professionals to students and invite everyone to join us in the SLIS Library for refreshments and continued discussion of careers in Library and Information Science fields. The reception will conclude at 5 p.m. You can find more information about the Career Forum at:

<http://www.monroe.lib.in.us/~bpmchi/activities.html>.

Featured speakers this year include:

- \* **Jeremy Fischer**, Director - Systems, Kiva Networking;
- \* **Cynthia Monnier**, Director of Business Research and Information Center for the Indiana Chamber of Commerce;
- \* **Judy Pask**, Purdue Undergraduate Librarian;
- \* **Sarah Wright**, School Media Specialist for Plainfield Central Elementary School.

### ***President's Letter***

Are you a Beta Phi Mu-Chi Chapter "Has Been?" That is, have you been a BPM-Chi Chapter Board Member at some time in your distinguished career, and now find yourself pining away for the good humor, witty conversation and companionship of your peers? You're not alone! Please come join us at the Career Exploration Forum on Friday, October 13 in the IU-SLIS Auditorium in Bloomington. At the reception in the SLIS Library following the Forum, we'll host the inaugural gathering of BPM-Chi Chapter, "Has Beens" - proposed by illustrious "Has Beens" Mary Popp, Ginny Richey, and Mary Tuytschaevers (actually a BPM-Chi Chapter "Is Now" since she still serves as Past President).

- Whether you are a BPM-Chi Chapter Board Member "Has Been," or a "Wanna Be," or maybe even a "Not Sure" - please consider attending the Career Exploration Forum. As part of our efforts this year to provide students with information about the wide variety of career options open to them as MLS and MIS graduates, we would like to introduce current SLIS students to local Library and Information Science Professionals who can provide them with the inside scoop on what it's really like to work as a librarian in a corporate library, or in a school, or as the systems manager for an institution, etc.

- There are certainly a wealth of print and electronic resources available to provide the latest facts and figures about various careers, but often the best source of information is the personal one. Beta Phi Mu-Chi Chapter Board Members hope you might help fulfill the role of professional resource and serve as a personal contact for IU SLIS students with questions about your area of expertise.

- If you are not able to join us at the Career Forum (and especially, if you are able to attend) would you consider being added to our list of professionals who are willing to be contacted by SLIS students? We would distribute this list as a handout to SLIS students. Please feel free to phone or e-mail me your contact information, and let me know if you are able to attend the Forum so that we can provide you with a name tag. Thank you - and hope to see you at the SLIS Career Forum/"Has Beens" Gathering - where you'll have a chance to share your experience and insights with current SLIS students, catch up with friends and colleagues - and have a cookie, or two!

### ***Lisa Champelli***

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## 2000 Annual Awards/ Initiation Breakfast

The 2000 breakfast was held on March 14th at the Indiana State Library. Rita Barsun served as guide for the initiation ceremony. Christopher Jackson spoke on scholarship, Nancy Colborn spoke on service, and Lisa Champelli on leadership. Eighteen initiates were then inducted into Beta Phi Mu: Ted Baldwin, Tricia Clayton, Kelly Currie, Julia Dahl, Lori Dekydtspotter, Joyce Eikenberry, Renee Englund, Mary Ann Fleetwood, Teresa Garreth, Sarah George, Katerina Kakouri, Matthew Kingston, Erik Lindseth, Martha Ody, Karen Pegors, Bridgette Scott, Lisa Sheridan, and Suzette Yu.

Philip Sager was presented with the Award for Student Scholarship for his paper, "User-oriented evaluation in HCI and IR: Methods, Measures, and Multidimensional Approaches" (available at <http://ella.slis.indiana.edu/~psager/ir.html>). Philip spoke briefly about the focus of his paper - the need for a multidimensional approach to IR systems testing that has both IR and usability components.

The Chi Chapter Service Award was presented to Carol A. Derner, former Director of the Lake County Public Library, for "distinguished, significant, and consistent contribution to the profession." Carol Derner thanked everyone, especially her mentors, spoke about her career, and encouraged all to find a mentor, share technical information, and enjoy a profession where "you have an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others."

Mary Ann Tuytschaevers then extended special thanks to the Executive Board, Shirley Fitzgibbons, and Mary Krutulis for serving as Membership Coordinator.

A new slate of officers was introduced. The slate was voted upon and approved, and Mary then turned the meeting over to the new president, Lisa Champelli.

**Next year's Awards/Initiation  
Breakfast will be held on  
Tuesday, April 10, 2000 at the  
Indianapolis Convention Center**

### *Dr. Shirley Fitzgibbons Receives ALA Beta Phi Mu Award*

Dr. Shirley Fitzgibbons, Associate Professor Emerita of the School of Library and Information Science at Indiana University and a member of Beta Phi Mu-Chi Chapter, was presented with the American Library Association's Beta Phi Mu Award for the year 2000.

Sponsored by the Beta Phi Mu International Library Science Honorary Society, the award is presented annually to a library school faculty member or to an individual for distinguished service in library education. Fitzgibbons, who retired from SLIS in May, has served as an inspiring teacher and mentor for hundreds of children's librarians. As president of the Association of Library and Information Science, she served on the Planning Committee for the 1999 Congress on Professional Education.

Active in the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), Fitzgibbons was a member of the Steering Committee of the Section on Reading and Literacy, and Chair of the Children's Library Section. She also plays an active role in the youth divisions of ALA, which include the Association of Library Service to Children and Young Adult Library Services Association.

The award was presented at the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago in July.

## Alumni Honor SLIS Retirees

SLIS Alumni gathered at Andy's Jazz Club in Chicago during the ALA 2000 Annual Conference to honor recent SLIS retirees and Beta Phi Mu Chi-Chapter members: Mary E. Krutulis, Associate Librarian and Assistant Dean of IU School of Library and Information Science, and Dr. Shirley Fitzgibbons, Associate Professor of IU School of Library and Information Science, specializing in the study and teaching of literature and library services to children and young adults. Both Fitzgibbons and Krutulis retired from SLIS in the Spring, and were presented with "Memory Books" - compilations of letters and essays from former students and advisees, describing their favorite memories of these two outstanding and irreplaceable educators.

### *Thank You from Mary Krutulis*

Mary Krutulis granted us permission to print the text of a thank you card she sent our chapter. Mary writes:

"However can I thank you all and all your predecessors for your dedication, help, support, caring, and all the wonderful interactions over 13 years? And then you give me gifts - having already given yourselves! Of course I appreciate your kindness - I love the beautiful silver box and will wear my BPM pin proudly. The certificate is a treasure - I should be giving one like it to all the folks who have sat on the board. It was wonderful and I will cherish the memories of each and every one forever. Of course I plan to be seeing you later. In the meantime, thank you again for your thoughtfulness and hard work. I love you all! Always, Mary."

## Nominations Sought for Scholarship Award

The promotion and recognition of scholarship is one of the goals of Beta Phi Mu. Chi Chapter presents an annual award during the Annual Initiation Breakfast. Recognition includes a monetary award of \$100. The winning student will agree to present the work at a Friday Forum, a weekly program of research and presentations attended mainly by SLIS faculty and doctoral students.

Nominations for the 2001 Scholarship award can be made by SLIS faculty at any time prior to **February 16, 2001**. Submissions must be a project or paper completed for a class and contribute to scholarship in library and information science. All nominated work will be retained by SLIS as examples of outstanding student papers for purposes of documentation for ALA accreditation team visits. Nominations should be submitted to Dr. Tom Nisonger, in care of SLIS.

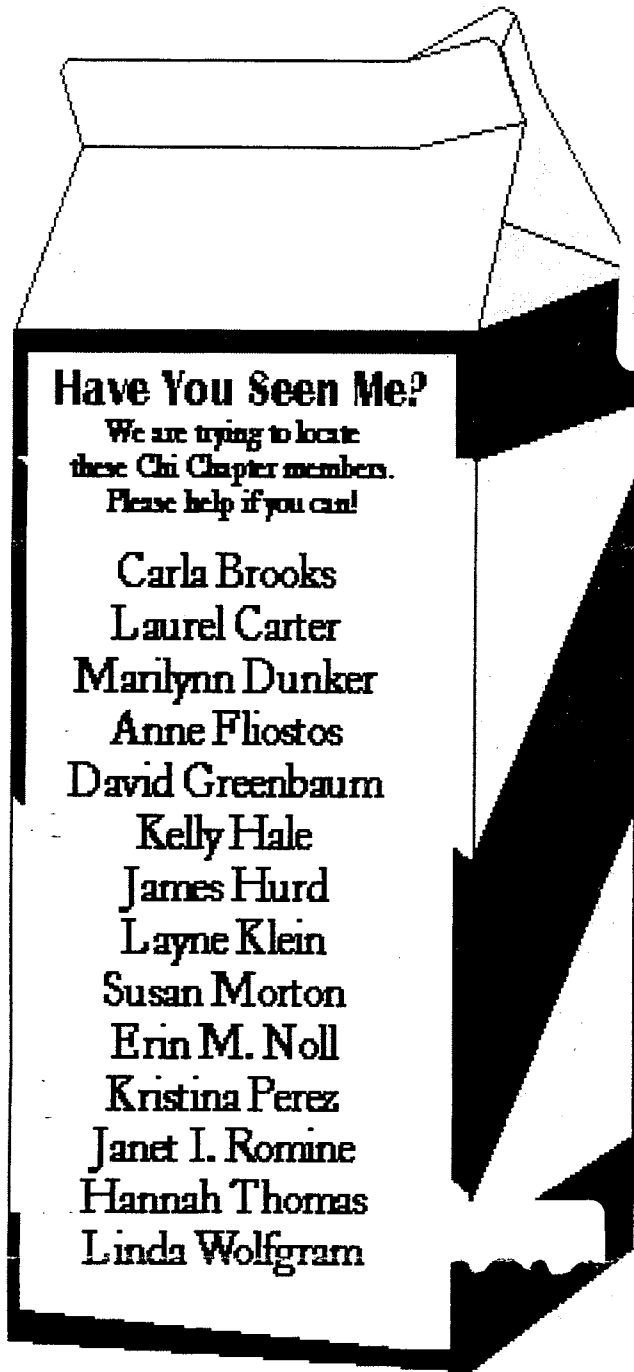
Previous winning entries can be viewed on the Chi Chapter website at:  
<http://www.monroe.lib.in.us/~bpmchi/scholarship.html>.

### 2000-2001 Chi Chapter Executive Board

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### Chi Chapter Needs You!

Volunteers are always appreciated and needed. If you would like to serve on the board or volunteer to help with a BPM event, please contact Lisa Champelli, Children's Librarian; Monroe County Public Library, Bloomington  
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## Have You Seen Me?

We are trying to locate  
these Chi Chapter members.  
Please help if you can!

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