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NCSU Libraries Rises in Rankings

The NCSU Libraries continued its rise in the ranking of top research libraries in North America. In the latest results issued by the Association of Research Libraries, in 1998/99 North Carolina State University was 35 out of the 111 members. The new ranking represents an unprecedented rise in the ARL rankings since NC State's 101st spot out of 107 members in 1990/91.

The NCSU Libraries' achievements were also recognized recently by its selection as university winner of the first-ever Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. The award and the ARL ranking reflect the innovative services and fine collections, both digital and traditional, that the library has been able to develop. Library director Susan K. Nutter attributed the library's success to remarkable support from the university community—faculty and students, administrators and Board of Trustees—who supported the 1996 tuition increase that raised the library budget by 35 percent (\$4.2 million). She also praised the dedication and creativity of the library staff.

The complete index of ARL institutions, with an explanation of how it is calculated, is available on the Web at: <http://www.arl.org/stats/factor.html>. ♦

Retirement Celebration for Margaret Ann Link

A retirement reception will be held in honor of Margaret Ann Link, coordinator/librarian for the Learning Resources Library, College of Education and Psychology. It will be held on April 27, 2000, from 3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. in Poe Hall. The celebration will be on the second-floor atrium facing the Court of North Carolina. ♦

Town Meeting on Copyright Ownership for Faculty, Staff, and Students

In the summer of 1998, the Office of the Provost created and charged a Copyright Ownership Task Force (COTF) to review existing copyright ownership policies and make recommendations for revisions as appropriate. This task force, which was composed of at least 50 percent faculty representatives, submitted its report and recommendations to Provost Kermit L. Hall in early fall of 1999.

The Office of Academic Affairs and university administration have been working diligently to craft a revised copyright ownership policy in response to the COTF report that achieves a proper balance of the rights and responsibilities of all stakeholders. An important part of this process involves gathering additional input from faculty, staff, students, legal counsel, and university administration. A town meeting has been scheduled for this purpose. This task is taking place at the same time that a task force from the University of North Carolina's General Administration is developing a systemwide policy.

The town meeting will be primarily an informational session to review the current status of these policies and to solicit discussion on the issues and equities involved.

DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS

April 26, 2000 1:00 to 2:15 P.M., Bostian 2722

May 3, 2000 3:45 to 5:00 P.M., Poe 216 ♦

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Upcoming Friends of the Library Events

2000 NORTH CAROLINA WRITERS SERIES

The Friends' Writers Series closes on May 2, 2000 with the Friends' Author-in-Residence Kaye Gibbons. The reading will be held in NC State's Thompson Theatre at 7:30 P.M. Gibbons will treat the audience to a sneak preview of her new novel, scheduled to be published in fall 2000. The still-untitled novel is the story of a young girl and her family during the flu epidemic of 1918 in Nash County, North Carolina. Tickets are \$5 for Friends members and NC State students and \$8 for the general public. ♦

SPRING DINNER 2000

The Friends of the Library of North Carolina State University will host its annual Spring Dinner on May 3, 2000. The guest speaker will be Calvin Trillin, a humorist, columnist with the *New Yorker* magazine, and author

of *The Tummy Trilogy*, *Remembering Denny*, and *Family Man*. The event will be held in the McKimmon Center, starting with a reception at 6:30 P.M. and followed by the dinner at 7:00 P.M. Advance reservations are required. Tickets for Friends' members and NC State students are \$30; tickets for the general public are \$35. For more information on either of these two events, please call the Friends at ext. 5-2841 or visit its Web page at <http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/administration/folevents.html>. ♦



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The NCSU Libraries announces the twelfth annual **North Carolina State University Libraries Faculty Award**. The award is given to an NC State faculty member who has contributed consistently and notably to the accomplishment of the Libraries' mission, vision, and strategic initiatives. The award, established in commemoration of the library's centennial year in 1989, enables the library to recognize faculty contributions.

Any NC State faculty member, except former recipients, is eligible to be nominated for this award. The nominator should use the form on the opposite side of this page and provide a letter describing how the nominee meets the criteria below. Additional letters in support of a nomination are encouraged.

The Friends of the Library will present the award at its Fall Luncheon in October 2000. This award is made possible by funding from the Friends of the Library.

Nomination Criteria:

- ❖ Works actively and effectively to support the Libraries,
- ❖ Promotes the role of the Libraries as an essential component of the university's mission,
- ❖ Works in partnership with library faculty and staff in teaching, research, and/or extension activities,
- ❖ Promotes expanded access to information resources.

The Award Includes:

- ❖ Use of a faculty study in the D. H. Hill Library for one year,
- ❖ A \$100 photocopy card,
- ❖ Honorary life membership in the Friends of the Library,
- ❖ Name engraved on an NCSU Libraries Faculty Award plaque,
- ❖ A special recognition certificate.

THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2000

Forms available at http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/archives/faculty_award.htm



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TWELFTH ANNUAL FACULTY AWARD

Complete the form below and mail it and letters of support to:

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Friends of the Library, D. H. Hill Library
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Please enclose a letter describing how the nominee meets the award's criteria.

Name of Nominee: _____

Position: _____ **Office Phone:** _____

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Nominator: _____

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