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# Founders Keepers

## Upcoming Events

- June 15 Summer Session begins
- June 25-30 American Library Association annual conference
- July 3-4 Library closed (Independence Day)

*Founders Library Association  
cordially invites you  
to a retirement party honoring  
Cliff Golden and Diana Grace  
who have decided to trade in  
air conditioning and office life  
to spend more time  
outdoors/gardening and drawing/cooking.  
Refreshments will be served.*

*Where: Founders Memorial Library Staff Lounge*

*When: June 24, 2015*

*Time: 1:30-2:30 pm*



## Library Awards

Have you noticed the *Northern Star* "Best Place to Study" awards by the elevators? We also have hung the "In Search of Space" award in the Administration suite. Since

there didn't seem to be one great place for all University Libraries awards, we decided to put them in various locations around Founders where they might be noticed. Oh,

what a wonderful problem to have! Now, if we could only receive an award that included a trip to the Caribbean for all employees...

## Getting to Know...Abbey Thompson!



*Abbey Thompson started work as the Music Librarian on June 1. She has provided some information about herself to help us get to know her:*

"I think my favorite part of my job is helping people find hidden treasures within the mountains of knowledge out there. It can be so overwhelming, especially when you don't even know where to start looking. I love the "treasure-hunt" aspect of it, the challenge of finding things that make a difference in my patrons' research (and my own!).

In my off hours I love cooking and baking (I'm a total foodie) – I'm well known for my cheesecakes and also big celebration cakes (I've made five wedding cakes for friends and family). I also love board games and video games, knitting, quilting, and other crafts.

I've been so busy with my move to Illinois, I

haven't had time to read much lately! The last book I read was "Night Film" by Marisha Pessl – it was so amazingly good, I couldn't immediately get into a new book because I was so engrossed in her story and world. In general, I love all kinds of fiction, and have a soft spot for sci-fi and fantasy.

Just this past weekend I saw "Spy", the new comedy-thriller with Melissa McCarthy in the lead. It was hilarious and all kinds of fun!

I have two large, lazy cats. Pearl, the smaller of the two, is about 13 pounds. Mango, an orange tabby, weighs in at a whopping 21 pounds. He's HUGE!

If I won the lottery, I'd pay off my student loans, give a bunch of money away to family and friends in need, and then do a lot of traveling... probably while my dream-house is being built! I've always wanted to go to Scotland and Ireland, so I know they'd be first on my world

tour. Scandinavia as well.

I don't have a favorite restaurant here yet, because I've only tried a few. I am already in love with Inboden's market, though!

Little-known fact about me: When I was in the third grade, I was taped for Reading Rainbow! Producers came to each class and picked out a few kids (I was pretty photogenic back then, with blonde hair and big dimples), and then took us all to the school library. There, they read us a book about feelings (likely the one featured in the episode), then put us individually in front of the camera and asked us questions about our feelings. I remember their questions were very silly, and I'm pretty sure I just giggled through the whole thing. Sadly, I did not get to meet Levar Burton (bummer!), and I don't think my footage made the final cut."

*Stop by the Music Library sometime to welcome Abbey!*



## On Retirement, by Cliff Golden

In the 27.5 years I've spent at Founders, 8 years was in Reference and 19.5 years in Circulation. Back in March 1989, I remember the card catalog taking up so much space and how excited I was to use an Apple II computer. I've watched as improvements to the library have made it more in tune with students. It's been great working here. There are so

many people I will miss. In my retirement I will focus on health and wellness. I've been an adult volunteer with Boy Scout Troop 33 for 43 years now, the past 38.5 years as Scoutmaster. Trying to outwit Scout age boys requires a long learning curve, something I'm still working on. I will also pursue art. My original purpose in working at the library was for completing my

education to become an art professor. I've only taken two free classes. Procrastination became my primary art form. Retirement will provide me an opportunity to get back on track creating portrait and landscape drawings.

*Ed. Note: Congratulations and best wishes, Cliff! You will be missed.*

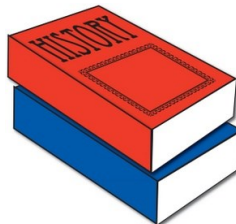
## What's New in IDS, by Gary Weishaar

IDS has added a new staff member! Please welcome Martha Ryan, who will be working in the article borrowing area of our department.

Martha comes to us from the Circulation

Desk, where she was a student employee.

In her spare time, Martha enjoys reading, watching movies, and finishing her history degree. Welcome, Martha!



## Information You Can Use from Technical Services, by Jana Brubaker

### Recent headings changes in Voyager:

Automobiles--Crashworthiness--Testing **changed to** Automobiles--Crash tests

AutoCAD LT for Windows **changed to** AutoCAD

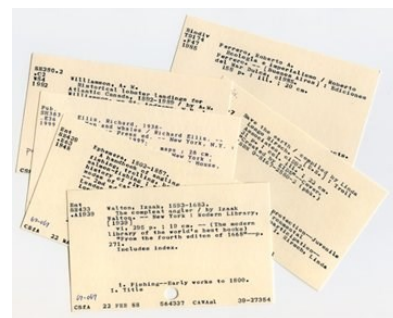
Abraham \$c (Biblical patriarch)--In the Koran **changed to** Abraham--(Biblical patriarch)--In the Qur'an

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library **changed to** Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum

Abkhaziiā~(Georgia) **changed to** Abkhazia (Georgia)

Académie de France à Rome **changed to** Accademia di Francia (Rome, Italy)

Accademia del cemento **changed to** Accademia del cemento (Florence, Italy)



## *From Theory to Action Wins Preservation Publication Award: A News Release from the Society of American Archivists*



CHICAGO—*From Theory to Action: “Good Enough” Digital Preservation Solutions for Under-Resourced Cultural Heritage Institutions* is the recipient of the Preservation Publication Award given by the Society of American Archivists (SAA). The award will be presented at a ceremony during the SAA Annual Meeting in Cleveland, August 16–22.

Established in 1993, this award recognizes and acknowledges the author(s) or editor(s) of an outstanding published work related to archives preservation and, through this acknowledgment, encourages outstanding achievement by others. *From Theory to Action* summarizes the findings

of the “Digital POWRR: Preserving digital Objects With Restrict Resources” project, funded by an Institute of Museum and Library Services National Leadership Grant. For the project, Jaime Schumacher, Lynne Thomas, Drew VandeCreek, and other members of the Digital POWRR team examined how small and midsized institutions can achieve standards for digital preservation without the funding sources or technical expertise found in larger institutions. Northern Illinois University was the principle investigator along with four other Illinois universities: Chicago State, Illinois State, Illinois Wesleyan, and Western Illinois.

“Practitioners at small to midsized institutions often struggle to find solutions to their digital preservation problems. This study encourages those practitioners to successfully solve their problems and meet their digital preservation goals,” the Award Committee noted.

Established in 1993, past recipients of the Preservation Publication Award include *Activists’ Guide to Archiving Video*, *Aligning National Approaches to Digital Preservation* and *Geospatial Multistate Archive and Preservation Partnership (GeoMAPP) Best Practices for Archival Processing for Geospatial Datasets*.

### The Last Word

We are blessed to have so many faculty and staff with long careers in University Libraries! Having long term employees allows a library to move forward with an understanding of its history and the experiences of its employees rather than losing sight of what has already been accomplished. It is with

regret that we say goodbye to Cliff and Diana, but they have plenty of interests that will keep them active and busy.

I’m off to ALA again, this time to start a new term as a member of the ALA Committee on Ethics. The actual term starts after annual, but I will attend their last meeting

to get a sense of the ongoing issues and projects they are addressing. Starting on a new committee keeps me learning about new areas of librarianship, as does talking to vendors about new products. Do you have any questions for vendors that you would like conveyed? Just let me know!

