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– *Chi Chapter News*

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## Ginny Richey 2009 Chi Chapter Service Award Winner!

Our Service Award is presented annually to an individual who has made significant contributions to the profession. This year we honor Virginia (Ginny) Richey as the Chi Chapter Service Award winner at our **Annual Initiation and Awards Ceremony** to be held at SLIS, 1320 E 10<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomington, **Wed., Nov. 18, 2009**, Room 030, 1:30-3:30 pm. Please come and honor Ginny, who has given so much to Indiana libraries and to the profession as a whole.

Nominator Lisa Champelli, from the Monroe County Public Library, stated "I had the good fortune to work with Ginny as a Children's Librarian in the Children's Department at the Monroe County Public Library from 1995 until Ginny retired from her position as Manager of Children's Services in 2003. A past president of Beta Phi Mu – Chi Chapter, Ginny emulates excellence in service; continually motivating her colleagues to consider best practices for why and how we provide library services to children."

Ginny mentored countless children's librarians. She is the coordinator and one of the founders of the Bloomington Storytellers' Guild. She has served on the board numerous times from the 1970s. Since her retirement, Ginny has been a tireless volunteer at MCPL, WonderLab, school media centers, and in library service positions. Congratulations Ginny!

**Beta Phi Mu Chi Chapter  
Annual Initiation & Awards Ceremony  
Wed. Nov. 18, 2009  
SLIS Room 030, 1:30-3:30 pm  
Refreshments will be served.  
All members and guests are welcome!**

## Career Forums Held Sept. 2009

Chi Chapter Career Forums were held on two consecutive Wednesdays at SLIS in Bloomington, with Board members moderating concurrent sessions.



**John Helling, Diane Huerkamp, and Krista Ledbetter**

Sessions were focused on academic libraries, school libraries and the field of information science (Sept. 23) and on public and special libraries (Sept. 30). At each session, speakers addressed career paths, career characteristics, the

current environment for seeking employment and tips for the job search. Each forum included a reception with refreshments, which allowed students and speakers to interact on an informal basis. Speakers' recommendations ranged from targeting specific areas of study, to advising against including unnecessary personal information in resumes, to suggesting that networking and volunteering can lead to full-time employment.

We thank our speakers, many of whom agreed to answer questions from students via email after the events:

**Chanitra Bishop**, Instruction and Emerging Technologies Librarian, Indiana University

**Kathy Crimans**, Media Specialist, Morgan Elementary School, Palmyra, IN

**Diane Dallis**, Associate Dean for Library Academic Services, Herman B Wells Library, Indiana University

**Karen Evans**, Instruction and Reference Librarian, Indiana State University

**Steve Haller**, Senior Director, Collections & Library, Indiana Historical Society

**John Helling**, Director, Bloomfield-Eastern Greene Public Library  
**Diane Huerkamp**, Director, Mooresville Public Library  
**Dina Kellams**, Office of Archives and Records Management, IUB  
**Kathy Loser, Librarian**, Bloomington High School North  
**Patrick Patterson**, Web Producer, IU Foundation  
**Suzanne Switzer**, University Information Technology Services, Indiana University

## 2009 Scholarship Award News

Shannon Oltmann has been named the 2009 Chi Chapter Scholarship Award winner for her paper, "Information Access." She gave her public presentation on her award-winning paper on Oct. 14, SLIS, 1:30 pm, and will be recognized at the fall Initiation and Awards Ceremony Nov. 18. Shannon is a doctoral student in SLIS, having received her MIS in 2007. Advisor Howard Rosenbaum submitted her paper. Earlier this year the Board voted to increase the scholarship from \$100 to \$200 and Shannon will be the first to benefit. As one of the jury members said, "It's nice to see the focus on coming to grips with theory versus what is going on in the real world."

**For information on various BPM scholarships and fellowships from the national office see:**

<http://www.beta-phi-mu.org/Scholarships/scholarships.php>



**Dina Kellams, Mary Popp, and Steve Haller**

Thanks to our co-sponsors, SLIS student chapters of the American Library Association (ALA), the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST), the Association for Computer Machinery (ACM), the Progressive Librarians Guild (PLG), the Society of American Archivists (SAA), and the Special Libraries Association (SLA).

## 2009 Membership and Dues Information

If you are an initiated member of Beta Phi Mu, please send a check for **\$10** made out to **Beta Phi Mu** to cover your dues. Include any mailing address or email changes and share your recent accomplishments. We want to hear from you!

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Address changes should also be sent to the national office: Beta Phi Mu, School of Information Studies, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2100.

## Chapter President Attends BPM General Assembly at ALA

Andrea Morrison, Chi Chapter President, gave a chapter report at the Beta Phi Mu General Assembly at the American Library Association's Annual Conference in Chicago on July 11, 2009. The president and executive director of BPM's national organization, as well as other chapter representatives, all made individual reports at this event. Are you interested in serving at the national level? At the assembly, any member can self-nominate for open board positions.

**Newsletter editor and photographs provided by: Andrea Morrison**

<b>Treasurer's Report as of 10-13-09</b>			
From <b>Julie Hardesty</b> , Chi Chapter Treasurer			
Income 2-27-09 to 8-14-09		Expenses 2-27-09 to 8-14-09	
Dues	60.00	Dues to national	2,250.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	2,250.00
		<b>Balance 8-14-09</b>	<b>\$2,385.49</b>
		<b>Balance 10-13-09</b>	<b>\$2,679.49</b>

**Nominees for Chi Chapter  
Executive Board  
2009-2010**

**President:** Tony Stamatoplos, IUPUI  
Libraries  
**Vice-President:** Krista Ledbetter, Morgan  
County Public Library  
**Treasurer:** OPEN

**Secretary:** Penny Gillie, Monroe County Public Library  
**Membership Coordinator:** Mary Popp, IU Libraries  
**At Large:** David Ross  
**At Large:** Katherine (Kate) Matthen, IU Press  
**Past President:** Andrea Morrison, IU Libraries  
**Faculty Sponsor:** Debora Shaw, IU School of Library &  
Information Science

**Volunteers are needed! If interested, e-mail**  
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