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Banquet Report 2002

The Friends of the LSU Libraries held its annual banquet and meeting on April 24 at Juban's Restaurant. Richard Kilbourne, Jr., president of the Friends, presided. He presented Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Dan Fogel with a special gift in appreciation of his help in securing new space for the Book Barn.

Guest speaker for the banquet was Dr. Samuel C. Hyde, Jr., associate professor of History and director of the Center for Southeast Louisiana Studies at Southeastern Louisiana University. His speech about the turbulent history of Louisiana's Florida Parishes was both eloquent and entertaining.

The Doris Dennis Smith Awards for outstanding service to the Book Bazaar were presented to Ralph and June Stephenson, Richard McKay, Pat Weber, and Millicent Kopfinger. Paul Christensen was recognized as the continuing Goodrich Taylor Graduate Assistant.

Laura Clark and Linda Bowsher chaired the banquet, assisted by Eilleen Kean.



New President Linda Bowsher, retiring President Richard Kilbourne, banquet co-chair Linda Clark.

Linda Bowsher



Doris Dennis Smith Award winners June Stephenson, Ralph Stephenson, Millicent Kopfinger, Pat Weber, and Richard McKay.

From Our President

Dear members of the Friends of the LSU Libraries,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as president of the Friends. I am most appreciative of the confidence the nominating committee and board have shown in me.

This year promises to be exciting and challenging for the Friends. The Book Bazaar is scheduled for September 19-21. The Book Barn volunteers are working hard to ensure that it is the most successful one ever. Please help them by donating books, volunteering your time in the Barn or at the Bazaar, and coming to buy!

As you may know, new space is being prepared on campus for the Book Barn, which now occupies cramped quarters in the basement of Middleton Library. We are grateful to Provost Dan Fogel for helping to locate the space. Once remodeling is finished, our volunteers should enjoy much improved working conditions.

Thank you all for the work you do on behalf of the Friends. To quote the membership brochure, "Libraries are especially vulnerable to economic hard times...But even in the best of times, private support is needed in addition to state financing to make an adequate library a good one and a good library an excellent one." The Friends' mission is to provide that support for the LSU Libraries.

Sincerely,
Linda H. Bowsber
President



Vice President Virginia Grenier, President Linda Bowsber, Treasurer Jo Ann Bowers.

From the Dean



Dean Jennifer Cargill at the new reference desk in Middleton Library.

I want to update the Friends on the Book Barn space. Several years ago, at a Friends executive committee meeting during Eugene Groves' first term as president, I alerted the Friends that we were short of space and the time would come when I would need to take back the space used for the Book Barn operation. In a letter to Eugene Groves dated

September 17, 1999, I officially informed the Friends that I would need them to vacate the space by January 1, 2002. Subsequently, several members of the Friends met with Chancellor Mark Emmert, Provost Dan Fogel, and myself to discuss space options. After some discussion, Provost Fogel identified some space in the former Union warehouse on River Road. Barnes and Noble would occupy part of the warehouse and the Book Barn would occupy the rest. Some renovation was undertaken by Barnes and Noble at their expense. Additional renovation is underway at present. The parking area has been improved with additional gravel. Once the warehouse renovation is completed, the Book Barn materials will be moved. Delays in the renovation have delayed the move.

In other news, Sharon Hogan, former library director at LSU, died in Arizona Saturday, April 27, after a brief illness. When Ms. Hogan left LSU, she became director at the University of Illinois at Chicago, a position she held until her resignation earlier this year.

Jennifer Cargill
Dean of Libraries
LSU Libraries

Annual Book Bazaar

September 19, 20, & 21, 2002

The annual Book Bazaar of the Friends of the LSU Libraries will be held on September 19, 20 and 21 at the LSU Mini-Farm building. Volunteers are already sorting, pricing, and packing books. The bins are out at Kean's Cleaners, and there is a drop box on the loading dock at Middleton Library to receive book donations for the Bazaar. For large donations, call the Book Barn at 578-5925.

Nominating Committee Report 2002-2003

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*Dr. and Mrs. Terence Beven
Book Barn Workers*

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pay your dues. Increase your level of
membership in the Friends.

Thank you to
George Ann Brown
for all the photos you take for us.

At the Banquet



*Betty Johnson, Adrian
Johnson, Lela Weber*



Eilleen Kean, Wanda Barber



*Vida Broussard, Sara Barrow,
Sue Edrington, Zelda Long.*

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Literally "lights" in French, Lumieres is frequently used to denote enlightenment or knowledge. As such, it illustrates the purpose of the newsletter: To enlighten members of the Friends of the LSU Libraries with the News of the organization and with the needs of the LSU libraries. The cover design is based on an exquisite hand-illuminated border from a 15th century French religious manuscript.

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