

September 30, 2009

SC/MLA Honors & Awards Committee  
Annual Report, 2008-2009  
Roz Anderson, Chair

## **Members**

The following SC/MLA members served as their state's representatives on the Honors & Awards Committee this year:

- Clista Clanton (AL)
- Barbara Shearer (FL)
- Roxanne M. Nelson (GA)
- Helvi McCall Price (MS)
- Jan Haley (TN)
- Pedro A. del Valle López (PR)

## **Honors & Awards**

The following members were awarded Honorary Membership either by virtue of acknowledgement of significant contributions to Southern Chapter MLA upon their retirement or by virtue of their being both Southern Chapter MLA members and MLA Fellows or both.

- Jean Shipman
- M.J.Tooley

There were three contenders for First Time Attendee Scholarship this year. Upon due consideration, the award was granted to Alisha Miles, Simon Schwob Medical Library, Columbus Regional Healthcare System.

There were no nominations for The Academic Librarian of the Year Award. The Academic Librarian of the Year 2008, Laura Cousineau, has over 15 years experience, so she did not meet the criteria to be nominated for the MLA Estelle Brodman Award.

There was one applicant for the Martha Watkins Scholarship. The award was granted to Geneva Bush Staggs, Health Information Resource Center, University of South Alabama Medical Center Hospital.

## **Retirees**

The following members should be acknowledged as having retired in the past year:

- Pat Cole, Florida Hospital, Orlando, FL
- Janice Debose, Singing River Hospital, Pasagala, MS
- Mary Fielder, Three Rivers AHEC, Columbus, GA
- Pauline Ellis Hicks, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL
- Virginia (Segrest) Hughson, Rowland Medical Library, Jackson, MS

- Karl H "Woody" Woodworth, Grady Branch Health Sciences Center Library/  
Emory University

### **Deceased Members**

Nancy Van De Water, Special Projects Librarian at Mercer University School of Medicine, passed away on June 12, 2009. She was active in the chapter in the 1980-90's and served on the Annual Meeting Committee in 1997.

### **Committee Work**

Due to the success of last year's wiki, the Committee Chair created a wiki site for the Committee to use to share information (<http://sochaphonorsandawards.pbworks.com/>). It is accessible by invitation only.

Committee chair Roz Anderson is currently working on updating the manual for the committee and will have it ready for the next committee chair by the end of the year.