

Alumni News



Sharon Saulmon, '74

Sharon is dean emeritus, Rose State College Learning Resources Center, and second vice president, Friends of the Libraries of Oklahoma.

We Want to Hear from You!
Send your contact information to slisinfo@ou.edu or mail to SLIS, 401 W. Brooks, Room 120, Norman, OK 73069-6023. Include your name, mailing address, email address, phone, when you graduated, current position and photo.

Pat Weaver-Myers, '75

Pat is a retired librarian and author of *The Habitant* under the name P.L. Weaver. The book is set on the OU campus, in particular, the library with some of the action taking place in the basement of the school. Available on Amazon.com.



Tom E. Rink, '92, holds the position of instructor of library services of Northeastern State University, Broken Arrow Campus. He recently was re-elected to the board of the Special Libraries Association for the 2015-2017 term, and is serving as president of the association in 2016.



Nelson Dent, '05, is a 2015 Pioneer Library System "Guy-rarian" and information services librarian at the Norman Public Library West. Nelson served as the president of B PM Lambda Chapter, and a member of the OUSLIS Alumni Association Board of Directors. He also works with Persons of Disability and assistive technologies and serves as an advocate for Oklahoma's vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind and Visually Impaired.



Buffy Edwards, '89

has worked in school libraries for 27 years and is currently a library information specialist with the Norman Public Schools. In 2008 she earned a PhD in instructional psychology and technology from OU and has served as an adjunct professor for OU SLIS for over nine years, teaching several courses, including School Library Administration. Buffy credits SLIS' Mildred Laughlin for her passion for school libraries and inspiring school librarians. Buffy's career goal "is to be someone's Mildred."



DR. MILDRED KNIGHT LAUGHLIN

Alumni News, cont'd

Lindsey Gowan, '08

Lindsey accepted the position of director of knowledge management at WeGoLook in Oklahoma City. WeGoLook is a field services and inspection company specializing in verifying autos, properties, boards, heavy equipment, antiques, electronics, furniture, RVs and other assets.

Kristen Burkholder, '09

Kristen is a member of the SLIS Alumni Board and is access services librarian and associate professor at Oklahoma City University.

Emily Tichenor, '08

Emily is the director of the library on the Northeast campus of the Tulsa Community College Library.

Magen Bednar, '13

Magen has returned to Oklahoma from Texas and now serves as the undergraduate services librarian for OU. Welcome back, Magen!

Cameron Smith, '13

Cameron recently was promoted to lead librarian at the Almonte Library in Oklahoma City. He and his wife, Amy, are expecting baby girl Eden Faye soon and closed on their first house. Congratulations!



Chris Kennedy, '09

In 2015, Chris became a regional director with Metropolitan Library System. Chris continues to office in the Midwest City Library while overseeing three other libraries in the East Region, including Choctaw, Del City and Ralph Ellison. He is active in OLA, currently serving as the chair of the Scholarship Committee. In addition to participating in OLA Gold, Chris has delivered ODL certification classes across the state.