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From Your Editor

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Rumors
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posters, pecha-kucha-like (shotgun) sessions. Have you sent yours in? The deadline is June 15 arghhh! Coming faster than you think! www.katina.info/conference

Speaking of Charleston, **Tony Ferguson** talks about eating in his column in this issue. Except his column this time is about, among other things, eating sashimi (Japanese raw fish) in Taiwan. Moving right along, **Tony** was asking me about the **Hominy Grill Restaurant** in Charleston and wondering why he had never been there. An error we must correct, no doubt, but no sashimi that I know of. Meanwhile, the committed **Mike Walmsley** (did you notice the pictures of his two children, this issue, p.1) and the dedicated **Sarah Hoke** of **YBP** were in Charleston a few months ago and they ate at **Hominy**, raving all the way. I remember when **Don Jaeger** and **John Riley** were going to start a blog (back then it was a listserv or maybe something else) about places to eat in Charleston. A missed opportunity?

Bill Hannay, remember him, the singing lawyer? Anyway, **Bill** gave one of his signature talks in Italy about book thieves. His first question? Who was the first book thief? **Marc Antony**, trying to impress **Cleopatra**! See his talk this issue, p.50.

This is exciting news worth repeating. The awesome **George Machovec** has been appointed permanent executive director of the **Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries!!** You will remember that **George** is the Managing Editor of **The Charleston Advisor**. Not to mention one of the driving forces behind **Gold Rush!** And my partner down the aisle after the skit at the **30th Charleston Conference!** Congratulations, **George**. www.coalliance.org
www.charlestonco.com

On April 4, **ARL** honored **Dean James Mullins** and the **Purdue University Libraries** for their enduring commitment to **ARL's Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce (IRDW)**, and for

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From Your (grieving) Editor:

I love Spring. It's such a wonderful time with flowers and birds and summer in the air, trips to the beach, tomato sandwiches, walks in the park. This Spring was different for me, though, because from now on Spring will remind me of my 92-year-old dad, who passed away on May 17. It's a good thing that I had this issue of **ATG** to keep my mind focused on something else.

This issue is guest edited by yours truly and includes articles by **Gail Yokote**, **J. Mitchell Homan** and **Jean P. Shipman**, **Mary M. Somerville**, **John D. Riley** and **Bob Schatz**

on, respectively, **The Chicago Collaborative**, **The SAGE White Paper on Discoverability**, **Offsite Book Depositories**, and **Institutional Repositories**. Our **Op Ed** is about the potential illegal copying of eBooks by **Bob Holley** and **Tony Ferguson** in his **Back Talk** urges us to focus not on the latest trend but on our end users. We have several remembrances from **Bob Schatz** and **Barry Fast** about the wonderful **Mike Arnold**. Our interviews are with **Tim Coates**, **Mary Ann Liebert**, **Fred Gullette**, and **Sven Fund** and **Michiel Klein Swormink**.

In **Legally Speaking**, **Bill Hannay** writes about book theft in the library, in **Biz of Acq** **Cynthis Nyirenda** talks about promoting eBooks, **From a University Press** by **Leila Salisbury** talks about downloading eBooks, **Booklover** from **Donna Jacobs** is about rescuing a withdrawn book, **@Brunnering** is about Wal-Mart, big data, etc. And there's more and more. And **They Were There** has reports about the **SPARC** meeting, **IUG**, and reports from the **31st Charleston Conference**, **Collecting to the Core** takes on late twentieth century educational reform by **Nancy P. O'Brien**, **Mark Herring** still thinks the library is relevant despite the Internet, and **Bob Nardini** is talking about his GPS among other things. **Rick Lugg** talks about archiving shared print monographs, **Rita Ricketts** continues her delightful stories of the **Blackwell's**, and **Cris Ferguson** returns to tell us about Pinterest. **Todd Carpenter** has a different form of **ESPreSSO**, and **Amy Slowik** knows a lot about cloud storage. And that's just some of what's in this issue!



But it's time for me to sign off. It's Memorial Day and my father was part of the WWII generation. It's time for a big Memorial Day Celebration. Much love, **Yr. Ed.**

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