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Letters to the Editor

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From Your (stressed) Editor:

I pride myself on being as calm as possible but this year has become incredibly stressful! My daughter has gotten engaged and is getting married in September or is it October? That's the problem, the date keeps changing and with change comes the need for the assistant wedding planner (yours truly) to look into possibilities for venues, caterers, florists, etc. That's in addition to my regular duties!

Anyway, we have been lucky to have a fabulous issue this time guest edited by **Nawin Gupta**, who is the most flexible person I know! I love the theme of last year's ASA conference — the best way to predict the future is to invent it! There are some intriguing papers in this issue. Authors are **Brian F. O'Leary**, **Daniel Mayer**, **Chris Banks**, **Jill Emery**, **Ann Lawson**, and **Pinar Erzin**. They talk about a unified theory of publishing, libraries as physical and online spaces, discovery and delivery, intermediaries and their value, and adding value to business.

We have an **Op Ed** by **Bob Holley** about collection development theory and a **Back Talk** by **Tony Ferguson** about **Martin Luther King** and dreams and the amount of social progress that has been made in librarianship. We have a lot of great profiles of people and companies. I love the profiles and hope y'all do too! We have **From the Reference Desk** reviews and regular **Book Reviews**, a special report about **NCCO**, what a project, **Legally Speaking** about the need for legislative reform, **Lolly's** great **Copyright Questions and Answers**. **Leila Salisbury** lets us in on publishers' confusion about **pricing models**, **Antje Mays** talks about **PDA** and harnessing data, we have reports from the **2012 Charleston Conference** thanks to the hard-working **Ramune Kubilius** and her great crew of reporters, **Tom Leonhardt** still loves book collecting (bless his heart), **Bob Nardini**

is in Glasgow, **Donna Jacobs** is reading folk tales, **Collecting to the Core** is about **French dictionaries** (especially useful!), **Sam Demas** is talking about **kerfuffles** (and it's not something to eat), and there's much more. But, excuse me, my cell phone is ringing, text messages are proliferating, and I am feeling the "overwhelmingness" of an assistant wedding planner coming on! In the meantime, keep dry (it has been raining constantly in Charleston) and look forward to spring!

Much love to y'all, Yr. Ed. 🐼



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published his first two journals, *Freshwater Biology* and the *Journal of Biogeography*, in 1971. **Campbell** became editorial director in 1978 and rose through the ranks to become President of **Blackwell Publishing** and Senior Publisher after **Wiley's** acquisition of **Blackwell** in 2007. "I have loved my career in publishing and my time at **Wiley**," said **Campbell**. "However, after 44 years it is time to take a step back, spend more time with my wife and family and enjoy my free time pursuing my interests outside publishing including fly fishing, conservation and farming." **Bob** has spoken at the **Charleston Conference** several times and we will miss him but it sounds like he will be having lots of fun anyway!

<http://www.wiley.com/sciencenewsroom@wiley.com>

Did you see the **Dave Letterman Show** the night of January 30, 2013? I hope so! A husband and wife team from Charleston — **Cary Ann Hearst** and **Michael Trent** appeared to much applause! They formed **Shovels and Dirt** in 2010 and play two old guitars, a kick drum, a snare, tambourines, harmonica, etc., to sing folk, rock and country songs. Someone in the know likens them to **Johnny Cash** and **June Carter**. And, if you ever ate at **Jestine's Porch** (wonderful Southern food!) in downtown Charleston (Meeting Street), **Cary Ann** probably waited on you with her Alabama accent! And many thanks to one of our reference librarians extraordinaire, **Steven Profit** for the link.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dfPnGEGtDXI>

<http://www.northescambia.com/2013/01/shovels-and-rope-country-rock-duo-with-local-ties-on-letterman-tonight>

Was gratified to learn that **Rick Anderson** will win **The Harrassowitz Award for Leadership in Library Acquisitions for 2013!** The award will be presented on Sunday, June 30 during the ALCTS Awards Ceremony at **ALA Annual** in Chicago. Congratulations, **Rick!**

Speaking of **Rick**, I was intrigued by his recent opinion editorial in **Academic Newswire**

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Dear Editor:

I saw your note on the **ATG NewsChannel** Website and have been meaning to link up. I've presented the last two years at **Charleston** and absolutely love the **Conference**, the city, and everything related.

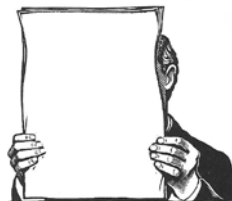
I am hoping to attend a **Fiesole Retreat** in the near future.

Best,

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2013 Events	Issue	Ad Reservation	Camera-Ready
MLA, SLA, Book Expo	April 2013	02/22/13	03/18/13
ALA Annual	June 2013	04/05/13	04/29/13
Reference Publishing	September 2013	06/21/13	07/15/13
Charleston Conference	November 2013	08/23/13	09/09/13
ALA Midwinter	Dec. 2013-Jan. 2014	11/08/13	11/25/13

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