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From Your Editor

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From Your (reading to my recovering husband) Editor:

One reason I haven’t retired is that I can’t figure out what I would do with all my time. But I now know, I can go to nursing school. I know there is a shortage! Have been spending some time in hospitals and there are many great role models. But when I wasn’t reading, I was pursuing the occupation of editing Against the Grain. This is easy when you have a guest editor like the effervescent Ramune Kubilius who has put together a series of papers on Trends in Health Science and Biomedical Sciences Information Services Provision. Besides an introduction by Ramune, we have papers by Carla J. Funk, J. Michael Homan, Lenny Rhine, Mary A. Hyde, Lisa A. Palmer, Annelise Taylor, Susan K. Kendall, Elizabeth R. Lorbeer, and Michelle A. Kraft. In our Op Ed for this issue Mark Herring talks about the Google Book Decision while Tony Ferguson talks about paradise in his Back Talk column. We have interviews with Neil Blair Christensen and Francis Pinter and plenty of profiles to read as well. Tom Gilson and Debbie Vaughn have done their usual great reviewing jobs. We have Bill Hannay’s Legally Speaking column and Lolly’s answers to more questions. There are some random ramblings, a discussion of consortial DDA, some things we need to know about engineering handbooks and constructing instructions manuals, and Donna Jacobs says we should not judge a movie by its book, and there’s lot more.

Patient is now asking for me to find another book to read. I just finished reading him Laura Hillenbrand’s Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption. Maybe next is Seabiscuit?

Meanwhile, back to you in June and on the ATG Website! Happy Spring!

Love, Yr. Ed.

Letters to the Editor

Send letters to <kstrauch@comcast.net>, phone or fax 843-723-3536, or snail mail: Against the Grain, MSC 98, The Citadel, Charleston, SC 29409. You can also send a letter to the editor from the ATG Homepage at http://www.against-the-grain.com.

Dear Editor:

Re: Nancy Herther article on the ATG NewsChannel (http://www.against-the-grain.com/2014/03/newsflash-celebrating-10-years-scopus-announces-major-archival-expansion-program/)

Many congratulations to Nancy Herther on putting together such an informative article. These are very exciting times to be around in publishing, and I look forward to a future opportunity to bring the challenging work of the SCOPUS Content Advisory Board to a wider audience through your ATG NewsChannel newsletter.

With Best Wishes,

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The weather has finally gotten reasonable in Charleston after three months of nothing but cold rain and clouds, no sun. It’s now finally cooling off and we’re ready for the days of the following Charleston summer. But I have been playing nursemaid, taking care of my husband who had an operation a few weeks ago. I have been running errands, cooking and cleaning.

Had planned to go to the 16th Fiesole Retreat in Cambridge England but the doctor called instead. The Retreat has just ended and what a spectacular event it was. The weather in Cambridge was delightful and so were the presentations. Watch for them shortly on the Casalini Website www.casalini.it.

Speaking of the Fiesole Retreats and Cambridge. Our second Retreat was in Oxford (2000). An Oxford name from the past! Philip Blackwell is now CEO of Scolium Group Plc. Memories. Philip trained as a bookseller and publisher before completing an MBA at London Business School in 1996. After four years as a strategy consultant with Cap Gemini, he became chief executive officer of Blackwell Publishing (Holdings) Limited in 2000 until 2006. In 2002 he became a director of Blackwell Publishing (Holdings) Limited until its sale for approximately £572 million in 2007. Mr Blackwell is a former member of the Bodleian Library Development Board and the Google publisher content advisory board, and is a trustee of the Royal Green Jackets Museum in Winchester. As we all know, the Blackwell family has owned rare and antiquarian book-dealing businesses for over 100 years. Read many of Rita Rickett’s tales of the Blackwell businesses in Against the Grain.

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The NASIG Executive Board has appointed the energetic Angela Dresselhaus editor of the NASIG Proceedings. Angela is Acquisitions and Electronic Resources Librarian, University of Montana, Missoula. She is an active member of NASIG and NASIG newsletter editor-in-chief.

The Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) has named the industrious, energetic, and awesome Patrick Carr, assistant director for acquisitions & collection management, Joyner Library at the East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C., the winner of the 2014 Esther J. Piercy Award. The award will be presented on Saturday, June 28, at the ALCTS Awards Ceremony during the 2014 American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in Las Vegas. The Esther J. Piercy Award was established by ALCTS in 1968 in memory of Esther J. Piercy, editor of Journal of Cataloging and Classification from 1950 to 1956 and of Library Resources & Technical Services from 1957 to 1967. The Piercy Award recognizes the contributions to those areas of librarianship included in library collections and technical services by a librarian with no more than ten years experience.

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