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This year has been especially tiresome with all the tropical storms and hurricanes. Hurricane Hugo (September 22, 1989) is emblazoned in my memory. Had to bundle computers, dogs, kids, and as many belongings as could fit in the car and evacuate Charleston! The devastation afterwards was unbelievable. My condolences and sympathies go out to Puerto Rico, Florida Keys, Houston, Louisiana, Alabama, and all those affected by these natural disasters.

This issue of ATG – The Evolving Role of the Library in Supporting a Changing Research Landscape is guest edited by Karen Phillips and we extend special thanks to Camille Gamboa who helped brainstorm the contents. We have papers by Anne Langley (libraries and the research process), Roz Tedford (supporting students), Diane Hersheberg and Iain Miller (faculty and student perspectives), Frans Albarillo (a librarian research practitioner), Michael Levine-Clark (importance of primary sources), Sayeed Choudhury (preservation of digital research data) and Eric Moran (a question and answer session with Dr. Arthur Lupia on the state of transparency in science).

Our Op Ed is about the fidelity of encoding and reproduction. Back Talk is about IFLA’s annual World Library and Information Congress. Our interview is with Ann Michael, President and founder of DeltaThink. There are library profiles of Brooklyn College Library and Penn State University Libraries as well as Johns Hopkins Sheridan Libraries. Regina Gong, Tom Gilson, Donna Jacobs, Jeremy Garritano, and John Riley review and discuss books. Tom Leonard pens a touching remembrance of our old colleague Jack Walsdorf.

Scott Smith returns with “Notes From Mosier,” Mark Herring is into peer review, Myer Kutz talks about elements of book proposals, Caroline J. Campbell and Lindsay Wertmen explore the problem (is it?) of donations, Susan J. Martin and Christie Thomas want to simplify the ordering process, Joe Badics talks about staffing and print journals, Jennifer Albers-Smith talks about marketing and bookmarks. We have a brand new column from John McDonald and Kathleen McEvoy, dealing with library analytics, Don Beagle returns to part 3 of Belmont Abbey’s GFP, Pat Sabosik talks about blogs and their importance to research, and the YOGA webblogiography is the focus of Dr. Lucretia T. Dye and Roxanne Myers Spencer. We have meeting reports from Don Hawkins and Ramune Kubilius and more and more!

Meanwhile, enter Hurricane Ophelia, the 10th straight Atlantic named storm to become a hurricane! Whew!

I am ready for winter! And the Charleston Conference!

See you all soon and travel safe! Yr Ed. 🌊

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are planned with Maggie Farrell, Franny Lee, Judy Luther, Brewster Kahle, Georgios Papadoulous, Loretta Parham, Dave Tyckoson, and Charles Watkinson.

Was excited to learn that Dr. J. K. Vijayakumar has been appointed as the Library Director of King Abdullah University of Science & Technology (KAUST) in Saudi Arabia. He was the Acting Director and Manager of Collections and Information Service and has been working with award winning KAUST Library since its start-up in 2009. Dr. Vijayakumar has 17 years of continuously progressing and highly responsible leadership experiences from health science, scientific and technological libraries in the Middle East, the Americas and India. KAUST Library is an Institutional Member of UKSG.

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Linking librarians, publishers and vendors is now in a Facebook discussion group! Leah Hinds and Carol Apollo came up with the