

# ULM Library Library News

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## ULM HIRES NEW CIO/DEAN OF LIBRARY

We are proud to announce the hiring of Thomas Hoover who will serve as the Chief Information Officer and Dean of the Library at the University of Louisiana at Monroe. (ULM). In his last position, he served as Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC). He is the university's highest ranking technology executive, responsible for creating and implementing the technology vision at ULM. (Con't page 2)

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## CON'T ULM HIRES NEW CIO/ DEAN OF THE LIBRARY

Thomas has worked in Information Technology in higher education since 1999. Prior to his appointment at ULM and UTC, he served as the Director of Instructional Technology Support at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California. Thomas was born in southern California and has a Bachelor's de-

gree in Political Science and History from the University of California at Davis and a Master's in Public Policy from Pepperdine University's School of Public Policy. He is married and has five children. He enjoys golfing and traveling.

"Greetings! We are excited for this spring semester. There is a lot happening at the library. We will be rolling out some study resources throughout the semester so stay tuned. Please let us know any suggestions you might have".

***Thomas Hoover, CIO and Dean of the Library***

### RECREATIONAL READS

Don't forget that we have a collection of books you can check out and read for fun! See some of our newest books on the next page.

## NEW ULM LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS

Administration at ULM Library has been hard at work securing improvements to our facility for our campus community. One recent addition has been the water fountain on the first floor of the Library building has been updated to include a bottle filler. This will help our community reduce our carbon footprint and faculty, staff, and students may refill their own bottles with filtered water. Other changes that are coming include the addition of 10 rolling white boards to be dispersed between the 2nd and 3rd floors of the library. The most exciting improvement on the horizon however is the purchase of 15 Google Chromebooks. ULM Library is working in collaboration with the ULM IT Department to get the Chromebooks up and running. These devices allow wireless printing and members of our campus community may work on assignments and access the Internet anywhere in our building that has wifi access.



*Learning experiences in active classrooms encourage collaboration and engagement.*

## NEW FUNDING BEING PURSUED FOR ACTIVE LEARNING CLASSROOM

The ULM Computing Center in collaboration with the ULM Library is pursuing a grant application for a \$67,000 Active Learning Grant from Steelcase Education. ULM IT will facilitate technology integration for the proposed space. This grant will allow for the creation of an active learning classroom that facilitates both active learning activities and pedagogy as well as collaboration. If the grant is obtained, room 259 in the ULM Library would receive the upgrades, some of which might include movable tables and seating. This would allow for the change of the setup as needed to allow for presentations, group work, and discussions. Space could be reimaged upon demand. Other potential updates include charging stations and rolling and personal whiteboards. The committee is a collaboration of ULM Library and IT staff and members include: Kim Taylor (LMS Coordinator), Chance Eppinette (Director of the Computing Center), Thomas Hoover (CIO and Dean of the Library), and Megan Lowe (Director of the Library).

## NEW BOOK LIST



[The Girls in the Picture](#)

By Melanie Benjamin

PS 3608 .A876 G57 2018



[The Take](#)

By Christopher Reich

PS 3568 .E476284 T35  
2018



[Treating People Well](#)

By Lea Berman and  
Jeremy Bernard

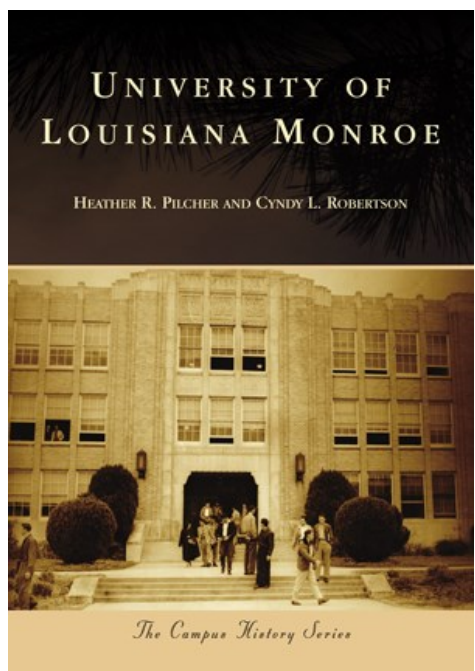
BJ 1533 .C9 B47 2018



[Food for Life](#)

By Laila Ali

TX 714 .A435 2018



## HEATHER PILCHER & CYNDY ROBERTSON PUBLISH BOOK

Librarians Heather Pilcher and Cyndy Robertson both worked in Special Collections during their time working at the ULM Library. They co-authored a book about the history of the University. The majority of the images

in this book about the University of Louisiana at Monroe are part of the University Archives collection available through the ULM Library Special Collections.

Copies may be ordered through Arcadia Publishing at [www.arcadiapublishing.com](http://www.arcadiapublishing.com)

***“If there is no struggle, there is no progress.”***  
*—Frederick Douglass*

### TODAY IN BLACK HISTORY MONTH:

As a celebration of Black History Month, the ULM Library would like to highlight an influential black leader that impacted the world. One leader in our profession is Carla Hayden, the 14<sup>th</sup> Librarian of Congress. Hayden was the first African-American and the first woman to head the Library of Congress.

Hayden, the first woman and the first African-American to lead the national library, was nominated to the position by President Barack Obama on February 24, 2016, and her nomination was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on July 13.

Prior to her latest post she served, since 1993, as CEO of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, Maryland. Hayden was nominated by President Obama to be a member of the National Museum and Library Services Board in January 2010 and was confirmed to that post by the Senate in June 2010. Prior to joining the Pratt Library, Hayden was deputy commissioner and chief librarian of the Chicago Public Library from 1991 to 1993. She was an assistant professor for Library and Information Science at the University of Pittsburgh from 1987 to 1991. Hayden was library services coordinator for the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago from 1982 to 1987. She began her career with the Chicago Public Library as the young adult services coordinator from 1979 to 1982 and as a library associate and children's librarian from 1973 to 1979.

Hayden was president of the American Library Association from 2003 to 2004. In 1995, she was the first African-American to receive Library Journal's Librarian of the Year Award in recognition of her outreach services at the Pratt Library, which included an after-school center for Baltimore teens offering homework assistance and college and career counseling. Hayden received a B.A. from Roosevelt University and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago.

## NEW LOUISIANA DIGITAL LIBRARY COLLECTION

Check out one of Louisiana Digital Libraries new collections. **Digitization of the “Gunby Letters Home”**

**collection-** This collection contains 84 letters written home by the Gunby children, mostly during World War I. The Gunby's were a prominent Monroe family in the late 1800's and 1900's. This collection was donated in 2016 and will enhance our existing, Gunby photo collection. A transcribed version, along with each original letter from the “Gunby Letters Home” collection will be added to LDL. To view the Gunby photo collection and others added to the Louisiana Digital Library by our institution, visit the LDL at

<http://louisianadigitallibrary.org/>.





*Caption describing picture or graphic*

## BORROWING FROM OTHER LIBRARIES: INTERLIBRARY LOAN

Interlibrary Loan (ILL) is a free service that lets the ULM Library borrow materials from other libraries. It may take a week or more to get your materials, so do plan ahead. Sometimes other libraries require payment for certain materials, but we will ask you first.

If you need further assistance or have problems with your *ILLiad* account ask at the Reference Desk on the first floor. The ILL Librarian, Melinda Matthews, can be reached at [matthews@ulm.edu](mailto:matthews@ulm.edu) or by phone at (318) 342-1067. The ULM Library's ILL service is not available to courtesy card users not currently affiliated with ULM.

### FEBRUARY IN HISTORY

3 Rock singers Buddy Holly, Richie Valens and the Big Bopper died in a plane crash. (1959)

6 The board game Monopoly first went on sale. (1935)

7. The Beatles come to the U.S. for the first time. (1964)

8 [The Boy Scouts](#) were founded. (1910)

10 France cedes Canada to England, ending the French and Indian War. (1763)

11 Robert Fulton patents the steamboat. (1809)

11 The Yalta agreement is signed by Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin. (1945)

14 The Saint Valentine's Day Massacre occurred. Mobsters, dressed as policemen, gunned down seven members of a rival gang. (1929)

15 The Post Office uses adhesive postage stamps for the first time. (1842)

16 NBC TV begins its first nightly newscast. (1948)

18 A ninth planet is discovered in the solar system and is named Pluto. The discover is Clyde Tombaugh. (1930)

20 John Glenn become the first U.S. astronaut to orbit the earth. (1962)

21 Richard Nixon becomes the first U.S. President to visit China. (1972)

22 Frank Woolworth opens the first "Five Cent Store in Utica, N.Y. (1879)

23 The Tootsie Roll rolls into stores in America. (1896)

23 U.S. marines raise the America flag in Iwo Jima (1945)

25 Samuel Colt patents the revolver.

26 A bomb explodes at the World Trade Center killing 6 people (1993)

28 The Salem Witch Hunts begin. (1692)

29 Yellowstone becomes the first National Park. (1872)

## CAMPUS TRIVIA

Q.

How long is the campus footbridge?



**LINKING** the original campus of NLSC with the new portion across Bayou DeSiard is this footbridge which was completed a few weeks ago. Constructed of pre-cast concrete, it is 6 feet wide and 460 feet long. The bridge is located at the north end of the campus. (Alumni News Photo.)

A.

460 feet

May, 1965 edition of  
NLSC Alumni News

(Northeast Louisiana  
State College)

## CAMPUS TRIVIA

Q.

How many bowling  
lanes were in the  
original NLSC  
Student Union?

A.

Eight

July, 1962 edition of  
NLSC Alumni News

(Northeast Louisiana  
State College)

## LIBRARY ANNOUNCES COLLABORATION WITH DON J. JACKSON ARCHIVE

The Marriage and Family Therapy program at ULM has a treasure in Systems Therapy research materials in Strauss Hall, which include artifacts such as open reel to reel film of counseling sessions, handwritten notes, and books about and by key thinkers in the field of Systems Therapy. The Don J. Jackson Archive was started by Dr. Wendell Ray who brought the starting archive materials with him from the Mental Research Institute in Palo Alto, California. Staff at the Archive have been digitizing materials, but will be collaborating

with the ULM Library to increase collection visibility, accessibility, and discoverability. The Archive will continue to manage the collection, and it will stay housed in Strauss Hall. The community will be able to search for Archive books, and in the future, other materials, in the Library's catalog. Also, the ULM Library will assist the Archive with the processing of new books. The Library will also co-pursue funding for projects related to collection digitization and the preservation of archive materials.



## PITTMAN ATTENDS BOOK SIGNING

Rickey E. Pittman, the Bard of the South, is a storyteller, author, and folksinger and was the Grand Prize Winner of the 1998 Ernest Hemingway Short Story Competition, and is originally from Dallas, Texas. Pittman presents his stories, music and programs at schools, libraries, organizations, museums, Civil War Reenactments, restaurants, banquets, and Celtic festivals throughout the South. Pittman teaches English courses for ULM and signed copies of his book *Cajun ABC* at the ULM Library on Saturday, January the 27th.



## THESE BUILDINGS WERE NEW IN 1962



**THE COLLEGE UNION BUILDING**, slated for completion by the opening of the fall semester, has been called "Louisiana's finest." It will feature a 220-seat theater, eight bowling lanes, a barber shop, beauty parlor and numerous other facilities.



**OUACHITA HALL**, new air-conditioned dormitory for men, is to be ready for occupancy in September. It will house 152 students in two-room suites connected by baths.

