Folks on the Move

Prof. Ching-chih Chen served as a member of the Advisory Board of the University Libraries, Carnegie Mellon University and attended the board meeting October 24-26. She also participated at the NSF/Information and Data Management PI Meeting in Cambridge, MA, on Oct. 10. She was in Hsinchu and Taipei discussing her NSF/International Digital Library Program collaborative research at National Tsinghua University from Oct. 28-30, and Taipei on Nov. 1. On Nov. 15, Prof. Chen presented her talk on Global Memory Net at the session **"Building Digital Libraries through Collaboration Within and Between Nations"** at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology in Providence, RI. On Dec. 2, she presented an invited talk, "Distributed Cross-Disciplinary China/U.S. Collaboration for Universal Access: The Cases of Global Memory Net and China/U.S. Million Book Digital Library Projects," at the China-America Network Symposium 2004 in Miami, FL.

Prof. Jeannette Bastian has received a Fund for Research award this past fall. Bastian's research project is entitled "*Internships for Archivists*: Research and Publication." Awards were granted to faculty research projects that "will contribute to the college's intellectual vitality, and thus will benefit all Simmons students."

Congratulations to GSLIS students **Iris Cotto, Rukmal Harvey, Michelle Filleul, and Maya Escobar** for being chosen to participate in the Library Leadership Massachusetts Institute, sponsored by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the six Massachusetts Regional Library Systems.

The Simmons College American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Student Chapter has received a certificate of special recognition presented from ASIS&T for the assistance they provided the New England Chapter and SIG/STI collaboration of the 2004 Daser Summit.

Another congratulations to **Iris Cotto** on being selected as a recipient of a $1,500 scholarship from Reforma, the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish-speaking.

"Survey Says...", continued

This instrument is used to collect students' opinions on a variety of campus services and programs. We want to increase the school's participation, so

the survey will be distributed in several ways. Students should fill out only one survey. Once you turn in your completed survey, you will be given a voucher for a free cup of coffee or tea at Java City. Furthermore, you will be entered into a competition at the school level and campus-wide for other prizes including a gift certificate for the campus bookstore and an American Express gift certificate.

Following spring break, GSLIS will launch its diversity survey online, a questionnaire to reveal your perceptions about diversity in the GSLIS community. Diversity is not only a school-wide concern, it is also a strong concern of the College and the profession. Your thoughtful responses will help GSLIS to ascertain how we are doing to provide a comfortable environment for all underrepresented groups as we prepare students to enter the library and information science profession. This is the first survey of its kind in GSLIS and it will serve as a baseline for future surveys.

Again, we ask for your patience and your help so we can improve services in our community. Your views are important to us; your responses can let us know how we are doing in serving you. Please take the time to complete the survey.
Em Claire Knowles

GSLIS Students: Attend GSLIS Alumni and Professional Development Day for Free!

GSLIS Students, watch your e-mail to learn more about an opportunity to attend GSLIS Alumni and Professional Development Day 2005 for free! On Friday, April 1, the GSLIS Alumni Board presents "Nobody's Fool: Library Business, Boom or Bust." Every year, GSLIS alumni, faculty, and staff sponsor students to attend the program, and many take advantage of this opportunity to network and make new acquaintances. So, don't be a fool! Save