SAIL Regional Group Report, 2008-2009

SAIL held a conference in May 2009 in Wilmington North Carolina at the University of North Carolina Wilmington's Center for Marine Science. The conference was well attended. The conference topics focused ways that SAIL libraries create connections with their user community, including use of instructional technology; outreach in to the community; data collection and retrieval; and using citation analysis to analyze library collections. Due to the location of most SAIL libraries there was also an emphasis on hurricane preparedness and response.

Membership Status:

SAIL continues to refine the membership list. On February 1st, there were 65 IAMSLIC members registered with SAIL affiliation. Outreach to recruit new members to IAMSLIC in the SAIL territory continues. Liz DeHart and Kathy Heil are reviewing the SAIL membership directory, the SAIL website and the IAMSLIC membership roll to try to reconcile the membership list and encourage IAMSLIC membership.

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SAIL Activities:

Disaster relief and mitigation continue to be of interest to SAIL Libraries. SAIL agreed to set aside \$302.00 for a project related to disaster relief in SAIL Libraries.

As SAIL Representative, Jennifer Walton attended the 2009 IAMSLIC meeting in Brugge Belgium.

Implementation of regional group proposal / approved SAIL funding allocation = \$2010.00

SAIL Members involved in various offices, committees and taskforces:

IAMSLIC Executive Board Elizabeth Winiarz – IAMSLIC President (2008-09) Jennifer Walton – SAIL Representative (2009-2011) Sandra Abbott-Stout – Treasurer (2006-09) Peter Fritzler, IAMSLIC secretary (2007-09)

IAMSLIC Archivist Lisa Raymond

Aquatic Commons Board Stephanie Haas (**Chair**), Lisa Raymond, Elizabeth Winiarz, Linda Pikula

Conference Committee

Chair: Elizabeth Winiarz (2007-2008)

IAMSLIC Membership Committee and Database Kristen Metzger (Chair), Victoria Welborne (SAIL)

IAMSLIC Nominating Committee Natalie Wiest

IAMSLIC Resource Sharing Committee Jan Heckman

IAMSLIC Site Selection Committee Enma Fonseca

Disaster Taskforce **Chair:** Susan Stover

Members: Joyce Shaw, Gloria Aversano

Upcoming 2010 SAIL Conference

Dun McClusky will be hosting the 2010 Sail Conference in Tifton Georgia at the Tifton Campus, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, University of Georgia, Tifton, Georgia; hosted by Duncan McClusky.

From the SAIL Representative:

So far in my first year, I continue to be impressed by the commitment of SAIL members to assisting one another. Members of the group work have worked collaboratively on several projects including the Panama Bibliography and the addition of the Journal of Aquatic Plant Management. The group remains enthusiastic in creating a strong network among the libraries and welcoming new libraries in to the organization.

by Jennifer Walton, SAIL Representative, 2009-2011 September 2009