

The Mortenson Center for International

Library Programs at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has been awarded a \$521,014 three-year grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which will help make leadership training accessible to librarians around the world. With the funding, the center will work toward strengthening library training providers' ability to deliver high-quality leadership training to public librarians in order to help them position their libraries to meet critical community needs and to offer access to information and knowledge. During the development of the training materials, the center will pilot-test them with three different library training providers in three distinct geographical locations: Myanmar, Namibia, and Armenia. The library training providers in these countries will then train 100 public and community librarians in their respective countries.

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(“*C&RL Spotlight*,” *cont. from page 49*)

Also included in this issue is an editorial coauthored by me and *C&RL* editorial board member James Elmborg. Building on November's editorial consideration of the ways in which the journal might evolve to serve as more of a “platform publication” for academic librarianship, this month's editorial asks us to consider the breadth and scope of the research studies that form the core of the journal and, specifically, to consider the place of research traditions beyond the empirical.

In other news

The next few months will be busy ones for *College & Research Libraries*, as we complete work on the special, 75th-anniversary issue scheduled for release in March, continue to plan for the Research Forum to be held at ACRL 2015 in Portland, and make the selection of the next *C&RL* editor (who will take the reins in July 2016). Please watch this

Acquisitions**The papers of Ingo Swann (1933–2013),**

have been acquired by the University of West Georgia. Swann a writer, artist, and psychic who notably was involved in the Star Gate Project, a U.S. program that investigated whether psychic phenomenon had domestic and military applications during the Cold War. Beginning in 1972, Swann worked with H. E. Puthoff and Russell Targ at the Stanford Research Institute in experiments began with magnetometer psychokinesis. Swann was later involved in experiments, using a term he coined *remote viewing*, in which the subject visualizes locations based on geographical coordinates. It was during this type of experiment in 1973 that Swann stated that the planet Jupiter had rings, which was prior to the Voyager probe's visit there in 1979. The 63 linear feet of Swann's papers will be placed in the Irvine Sullivan Ingram Library's Special Collections. ♪

column, as well as our Facebook and Twitter streams for updates on each of these projects in the coming weeks.

Notes

1. Steven Ward, “Higher Ed Reform or Drinking Game? You Decide,” *The Chronicle of Higher Education* 61, no. 8 (2014, October 24): 21, accessed December 1, 2014, <http://chronicle.com/article/Higher-Ed-Reform-or-Drinking/149507/>.

2. Megan Oakleaf and Lisa Janicke Hinchliffe, “Assessment File or Circular File: Do Academic Librarians Use Information Literacy Assessment Data?,” in *Proceedings of the 2008 Library Assessment Conference: Building Effective, Sustainable, Practical Assessment*, August 4-7, 2008, Seattle, Washington, edited by Steve Hiller et al. (Washington, DC: Association of Research Libraries, 2009), accessed December 1, 2014, <http://libraryassessment.org/archive/2008.shtml>. ♪