# And the winners are . . .

The official results of the 2005 ACRL elections





Camila Alire

Pamela Snelson

**Camila Alire,** dean of library services at the University of New Mexico, is the 68th president of ACRL.

"First of all, I want to thank immediate past-president Frances Maloy, the ACRL Board of Directors, and ACRL staff for their support of me during my vice presidential year. It has already been a very rewarding year.

"It is with a great deal of excitement that I move into the 68th presidency of ACRL. There are many leaders in ACRL who have, throughout the years, inspired me to devote my efforts towards ACRL's purpose—to lead academic and research librarians and libraries in advancing libraries and scholarship. My predecessors have worked hard to help achieve that purpose. ACRL's strategic plan is an ongoing process, and I plan to continue the work of past-presidents Tyrone Cannon and Frances Maloy's successful efforts.

"During my presidential year, I want to focus on several initiatives that will help us better advance libraries: grassroots academic library advocacy, telling the academic library story, including continuing ACRL's academic library marketing efforts, and attracting and keeping academic librarians and other library staff who will effectively achieve the first two initiatives.

"I want to emphasize the importance of grassroots advocacy. Frontline academic librarians and other library staff are the most tuned in to the students and faculty at your institutions. You work with them on a daily basis; you could and should be the best oncampus advocates. No matter what your level is, you all can better position the library's program and services to faculty, students, and the public. To help you do this, a new task force is working on a training program that will help you develop and/or refine your personal leadership and the power of personal persuasion to make you successful as a library advocate.

"I look forward to a productive year working with all of you in advancing you and your libraries within your institutions and states. Thank you for providing me the opportunity to do so."

As president, Alire will preside over the ACRL Board of Directors and ACRL Executive Committee, chair the ACRL Conference Program Planning Committee for the 2006 ALA Annual Conference, and plan ACRL's major program at the conference. She will work with the ALA president and other division presidents representing ACRL both within and outside of ALA.

From 1997 to 2001, Alire was the dean of university libraries at Colorado State University. She was also dean of libraries at the University of Colorado-Denver (1991–97) and, prior to that, was director of the learning resources center at Pikes Peak Community College (1984–89). Her activities in ALA divisions include serving as chair of the 2005 ACRL National Conference (2003–05) and as the Local Arrangements co-chair of the 2001 National Conference Executive Committee (1999–01). Alire was also active on the ACRL Budget and Finance Committee (1991–95), the *C&RL News* Editorial Advisory Board (1996–99), and the Community and Junior College Libraries Section (CJCLS) Executive Board (1989–91).

Among her ALA activities are service on ALA Council (1997–03); Executive Board (2000–03); Finance and Audit Committee (2000–03); *American Libraries* advisory committee, chair (1997–99); Executive Director Search Committee, chair (1997–98); Education Committee, chair (1996); Nominating Committee, chair (1995); Accreditation Site Visitation Teams (1989, 1991, 1994, 2000).

Alire's activities in REFORMA include the Executive Board (1987, 1989–95, 1999–00); the Education Committee, chair (1999–00); the National Conference Steering Committee, fundraising chair (1995–97); the national president (1993–94); and the Finance Committee, chair (1994–95).

Her work with state and regional associations has included membership in the Colorado Library Association, with service on its Program Committee (1997); Special Events for Conference Committee, chair (1991); Legislative Committee, chair (1991–94); Local Arrangements Committee, co-chair (1998–89); Education Committee, chair (1986–87). Since 2002, Alire has also been involved with the New Mexico Library Association and the Mountain Plains Library Association.

She is also involved with the Association of Research Libraries, where she is currently on the Executive Board (2003) and the Leadership Committee (2000). In addition, she was active on the Diversity Committee (1998–00).

Alire was awarded the ALA Elizabeth Futas Catalyst for Change Award (1997), the Mountain Plains Library Association Legislative Leadership Award, and the CLA Exemplary Library Services to Ethnic Populations Award (1995, 1998). Her publications include *Library Disaster Planning and Recovery Handbook* (editor/ contributor, 2000); Serving Latino Communities (coauthor, 1998); "Minorities and the Symbolic Potential of the Academic Library," (coauthor, *College and Research Libraries*, November 1995).

Alire received her BA from Adams State College and her MLS from the University of Denver. She also received her doctorate in higher education administration from the University of Northern Colorado.

**Pamela Snelson,** college librarian at Franklin & Marshall College, has been elected vice president/president-elect of ACRL.

"What an exciting time to be elected Vice President/President Elect of ACRL! With more than 13,000 members, ACRL membership is at an all-time high. Our National Conference in Minneapolis in April broke attendance records. Members showed their support for ACRL programs and services by voting 2 to 1 in favor of a dues increase. "Charting Our Future: ACRL Strategic Plan 2020," recently approved by the ACRL Board, will reenergize the association and focus our efforts on those areas most critical to members.

"I consider it more than an honor to have been elected. You are entrusting me with the continued health and vitality of ACRL. I am thrilled to have this opportunity to give back to ACRL for all it has given to me.

"In many of my remarks preceding the election I said I would be guided by two principles: ACRL must reflect its members and ACRL leaders must lead. A wise friend reminded me that leaders also need to listen. So here is my challenge to you—for ACRL to be the association you need, tell me what works for you and what doesn't. Share with me the challenges in your library and how ACRL can help. Brag to me about your successes. Stop me at a conference, send me an e-mail (pamela.snelson@fandm.edu), or drop me a note.

"During my presidency I plan to focus my energies and attention on the Leadership area from the ACRL Strategic Plan—"ACRL members achieve recognition as leaders and advocates for academic and research libraries." Camila Alire, incoming President, will focus on grassroots advocacy. I want to develop the content for these advocacy efforts to increase recognition of the value of libraries and librarians. What is the value of an academic library? How does an academic library contribute to the success of its students and faculty? How do we tell our story in terms that academic administrators will understand and support? The answers have been elusive. It will be our challenge to develop compelling responses to these questions. With your ideas and support I think we can find those answers."

From 1976 to 1998, Snelson held numerous positions at Drew University, including assistant director for automation and public services (1990–98), coordinator of access services (1986–89), head of periodicals (1978–85), reference librarian (1977–78), and acquisitions librarian (1976–77).

Her activities in ALA divisions include serving as director-at-large on the ACRL Board of Directors (2001–05), as a member of the Information Literacy Advisory Committee (2002–05), and as a member of the ACRL National Conference Committee (1999–2001). Snelson was also active on the ACRL Budget and Finance Committee (1999–2001), chair of the College Library Section (1996–97), and chair of the *C&RL News* Editorial Board (1993-97). She has been a reviewer for *CHOICE* since 1987.

Among her ALA activities are service on the Gaver Scholarship Jury (2000–01) and the Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship (1994–96).

Snelson's activities in OCLC include Members Council (2003–present) and the Advisory Committee on College and University Libraries (2002–04). She was also involved in the PALINET Board of Trustees (1995–2000), and served as vice-president (1998–99).

Her work with state and regional associations has included membership in the College and University Section of the New Jersey Library Association, with service as member-at-large on the Executive Committee (1986–88), and as the Automated Library Services Section president (1985–86).

She is also involved with the American Association of University Professors (1976–present).

Snelson was awarded the New Jersey Library Association Research Award (1992) and the McMinn Prize for Best MA Thesis in Political Science (1980).

Her publications include "Understanding Remote Reference and Its Importance for Reference Services," *The Changing Face of Reference* (JAI Press), 1997; "Remote Users of OPACs: Do They Differ from Library Users," *Proceedings-Integrated Online Library Systems Conf* (Learned Information Inc.), 1994; "Relationships Between Access and Use in Information Systems," *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of ASIS* (Learned Information Inc.), 1993; "Networking at Drew University," *Local Area Networks in Libraries* (Meckler), 1992; and "Content Analysis of ACRL Conference Papers," coauthor, *College & Research Libraries*, 1991.

Snelson received her BA from Drew University, her MLS from Rutgers University, and her master's of political science from Drew University. She also received her Ph.D. in Information and Library Studies from Rutgers University.

### ACRL

- Adoption of proposed dues increase: No (778); Yes (1437) **ADOPTED**
- Vice-President/President-Elect: **Pamela Snelson** (1322); Randy Burke Hensley (811).

### **ACRL Board**

- Director-at-Large (4-year term): Janis M. Bandelin (1183); John G. Jaffe (753).
- Director-at-Large (4-year term): Louise S. Sherby (650); **Karen Williams** (1354).

### African American Studies Librarians Section (AFAS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Akilah S. Nosakhere** (39); Joyce K. Thornton (21).

Secretary: Grace Jackson-Brown (28); **Re**becca L. Hankins (29).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): **Sibyl E. Moses** (32); Aslaku Berhanu (9); Lee LaFleur (15).

### Anthropology and Sociology Section (ANSS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **JoAnn Jacoby** (46); Katharine A. Whitson (29).

Secretary (2-year term): Lynn C. Hattendorf Westney (41); JoEllen Broome (31).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): Randal R. Hertzler (32); **Susan Bennett White** (37).

### **Arts Section**

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Shannon Van Kirk** (80); Write-in candidate (1).

Secretary (2-year term): **Liza Vick** (80); Writein candidate (0).

### Asian, African, and Middle Eastern Studies Section (AAMES)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Binh P. Le** (47); Writein candidate (0).

Secretary (2-year term): **Chengzhi Wang** (44); Write-in candidate (0).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): **Rajwant Singh Chilana** (47); Write-in candidate (1).

### **College Libraries Section (CLS)**

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Lisabeth Chabot** (288); Christopher Millson-Martula (101).

Secretary: **Christopher Barth** (229); Candice Scott (141).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): Bart Harloe (170); **Dawn R. Thistle** (214).

### Community and Junior College Libraries Section (CJCLS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Ellen D. Sutton** (161); Write-in candidate (3).

Secretary: **Mary Ann Sheble** (88); Lisa Ann Beinhoff (82).

### **Distance Learning Section (DLS)**

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Sherrill L. Weaver (118); **Johanna Ruth Tuñón** (135).

Secretary: **Page L. Brannon** (239); Write-in candidate (1).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): **Anne J. Haynes** (141); David L. Bickford (107).

### Education and Behavioral Sciences Section (EBSS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Lisa Romero (90); Lori S. Mestre (62).

Secretary (2-year term): Helga B. Visscher (49); **Sharon K. Naylor** (98).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): Mary Jane Brustman (62); **Melissa A. Cast** (84).

#### **Instruction Section (IS)**

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Rebecca Jackson (287); Jennifer L. Dorner (360).

Secretary: **Melissa Koenig** (319); Melissa L. Becher (296).

Member-at-Large (3-year term): Terry Sklair Taylor (221); **Mary C. MacDonald** (398).

### Law and Political Science Section (LPSS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Lisa Stimatz Norberg (40); **Kathleen C. Fountain** (57).

Secretary: **Ann Marshall** (89); Write-in candidate (2).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): Brian Coutts (45); **Lorena O'English** (48).

#### Literatures in English Section (LES)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Kathy A. Johnson** (60); Charlotte M. Droll (36).

Secretary: Angela Courtney (44); **Kathleen M. Kluegel** (53).

Member-at-Large (1-year term): Michael R. Macan (43); **Sophie Lesinska** (50).

### Rare Books and Manuscripts Section (RBMS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Henry F. Raine (129); Edwin C. Schroeder (132).

Secretary (2-year term): Richenda Brim (104); Danette R. Pachtner (138)

Member-at-Large (3-year term): **Charlotte B. Brown** (170); Laura E. Micham (91).

### Science and Technology Section (STS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Julie Miran (92); **Catherine Soehner** (147).

Secretary (2-year term): Randall S. Halverson (101); **Beth Thomsett-Scott** (131).

### Slavic and East European Section (SEES)

Adoption of proposed bylaws: No (1); Yes (43) ADOPTED
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Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Inna Gudanets (22); Brad Schaffner (23).
Secretary (2-year term): Jacqueline Byrd (47); Write-in candidate (0).

Member-at-Large (1-year term): **Beth M. Feinberg** (29); Kay Sinnema (14).

### **University Libraries Section (ULS)**

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: Janice Simmons-Welburn (547); John A. Lehner (315). Secretary (2-year term): Cheryl Middleton (362); **Betsy Baker** (483)

Member-at-Large (3-year term): **Bruce Henson** (383); Pamela L. Wonsek (360); Timothy Wherry (269); **Leslie M. Madden** (454).

### Western European Studies Section (WESS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: E. Sebastian Hierl (34); Bryan Skib (54).

Secretary: **Laura Dale Bischof** (57); David A. Lincove (33).

Member-at-Large (1-year term): Heather E. Ward (32); **Sarah G. Wenzel** (56).

### Women's Studies Section (WSS)

Vice-chair/Chair-elect: **Kelly Barrick Hovendick** (96); Write-in candidate (3).

Secretary: Cynthia A. Johnson (35); Susan Kane (62).

Member-at-Large (2-year term): **Pamela Mann** (60); Diane Gwamanda (34). **\*** 



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