Mary Relindes Ellis, whose debut novel *The Turtle Warrior* was published by Penguin/Putnam in February, will be the featured speaker at the 16th annual Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards celebration.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, at the UMD Library, this year’s NEMBA celebration will include a book fair, Ellis’s talk, the awards presentation, and a reception. NEMBA is a free community event co-hosted by the UMD Library and Friends of the Duluth Public Library. Barnes & Noble Booksellers will again donate copies of the nominated titles to be given away in a free drawing.

Prizes of $300 will be awarded for the best book in the category of Fiction/Poetry/Drama and the best book in the category of Nonfiction/Art/Scholarship. Authors of books chosen for honorable mention will receive $100.

Guest speaker Mary Relindes Ellis spent her childhood in northern Wisconsin. Her novel *The Turtle Warrior* is set in this somewhat isolated region, a landscape of multiple ethnicities that is also the source of amazing stories. Ellis interweaves a mystical natural world with a human world scarred by devastating abuse.

In her eloquent writing, Ellis expresses her deeply held beliefs “that children, like animals, in an effort to survive, instinctively seek from their physical environment and from other beings what their own families cannot provide; that we can stop violence at the very beginning if we choose to; and that, as the traditional Ojibwe have always known, wisdom and clarity can come from a turtle.”

For a list of the books nominated for this year’s NEMBA, turn to page 2. For more information, call 218-726-7889.

Flute Ensemble To Perform at NEMBA

For the second year in a row, the Pie-Eyed Pipers will be performing at the Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards event. This unique flute ensemble was organized by UMD flute instructor Kathleen Neff from among her adult Music Academy students. The Music Academy is an outreach program sponsored by the UMD Department of Music, offering private instruction on most instruments and voice. Five years ago, Neff chose some of her more accomplished students to begin performing in chamber music settings, and they have appeared at rest homes, in schools, as well as at NEMBA.

Piper members include Ray Aiken, Karen Keenan, Crystal Reich, Dawn Silvestrini, Cindy Spillers, and leader Kathleen Neff. It is a well-balanced ensemble consisting of piccolo, alto and bass flutes, as well as the traditional “flutes in C.”

According to Neff, “We rehearse every Friday, and it is truly a treat for me to end the week making music with these people.”

Prior to last year’s NEMBA event, the flute ensemble did not have an official name. They chose to call themselves the Pie-Eyed Pipers, perhaps inspired by the traditional pie served after the NEMBA Awards presentation.
NEMBA Nominees

Fiction / Poetry / Drama

A Blessing or a Curse
by Pat McGauley, Pat McGauley Publishing

Gold ... Then Iron
by Marty Duncan, PageFree Publishing

Uncommon Light:
A Collection of Poems
by Jeanine Lamoureux Emmons, Gladys Koski Holmes, Kathleen McQuillan, Stephanie Stevens, Sheila Packa, Tamarack Press

Mittens in the Boundary Waters
by Larry Ahlman, Kodiak Press

Nonfiction / Art / Scholarship

Dragonflies of the North Woods
by Kurt Mead, Kollath-Stensaas Publishing

The Edmund Fitzgerald:
Song of the Bell
by Kathy-jo Wargin, illustrated by Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen, Sleeping Bear Press

Fire Storm:
The Great Fires of 1918
by Christine Skalko and Marlene Wisuri, Carlton County Historical Society

Footprints of Early Backwoods Settlers
by Eileen Keen, Bang Printing/McGregor Public Library

Gunflint: The Trail, The People, The Stories
by John Hendricksson, Adventure Publications

Haunted Lake Superior
by Hugh E. Bishop, Lake Superior Port Cities

A Hunter’s Journey:
The Education of an Outdoorsman
by Dan Prusi, Beaver’s Pond Press

A Hunter’s Year
by Dan Prusi, Beaver’s Pond Press

Lake Effect: Along Superior’s Shores
by Erika Alin, University of Minnesota Press

Looking North: Royal Canadian Mounted Police Illustrations
by Karal Ann Marling, Afton Historical Society Press

Poachers Caught! Adventures of a Northwoods Game Warden
by Tom Chapin, Beaver’s Pond Press

Spiders of the North Woods
by Larry Weber, Kollath-Stensaas Publishing

Timber Connections: The Joyce Lumber Story
by Susan Hawkinson and Warren Jewett, Bluewaters Press

V Is for Viking:
A Minnesota Alphabet
by Kathy-jo Wargin, illustrated by Karen Latham and Rebecca Latham, Sleeping Bear Press

The War against the Beavers
by Verena Andermatt Conley, University of Minnesota Press

Wildflowers of the BWCA & the North Shore
by Mark Sparky Stensaas, illustrated by Rick Kollath, Kollath-Stensaas Publishing

Will to Murder
by Gail Feichtinger with John Desanto and Gary Waller, X-Communication

1918 Fire Stories
by Moose Lake Area Historical Society
**DULUTH TO HOST 2004 MLA**

The Minnesota Library Association (MLA) will hold its annual conference in Duluth October 6-8, 2004. Conference events will take place at the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center (DECC).

MLA is a statewide organization representing all types of libraries and library workers. Its membership (of approximately 1,100) strives to improve library services and resources. The annual conference is an opportunity for members to learn from each other about new ways to deliver traditional library services.

As 2004 MLA President, Library Director Bill Sozansky is responsible for planning the annual conference. UMD Library staff members are helping by arranging for exhibitors, helping with registration, and presenting programs.

**New Resources @ Your Library**

A new linking service called “Find It!” is available for selected electronic resources at the UMD Library during Spring semester. Find It! is currently listed under the “What’s New and Events” panel on the home page. It allows searchers to connect directly from an index to the full content of electronic journals, even though these resources may come from different vendors. For more information, see http://www.d.umn.edu/lib/reference/cw/findit.pdf. Please send your comments or questions about “Find It!” to libfindit@d.umn.edu.

**RefWorks** is a new web-based bibliographic management service: If you need help with organizing your bibliographic references or formatting your next research paper, try this online citation manager. RefWorks can be used to create and organize a personalized database of bibliographic references imported from text files or online databases. RefWorks formats both references and manuscript into various writing styles, such as MLA, APA, Chicago, Turabian, NLM, IEEE, and more. Microsoft Word and MS Internet Explorer users can insert cited references directly into their manuscripts by using Write-N-Cite. You will need to create an account (free). Just create a login name and password to begin using RefWorks. The UMD Library has subscribed to this service for a one-year trial. Find RefWorks under the What’s New panel on the UMD Library home page.

**SAGE Fulltext Collections** - Coverage includes more than 125 SAGE journals, 40,000 articles, book reviews, and editorial materials, with original graphics and tables. Sage Collections cover four key disciplines, including Communication Studies, Criminology, Political Science & International Relations, and Sociology.

**Historical New York Times Digital Archive** – This resource provides full-page images of the *New York Times*, from its first issue in 1851 to 1999. It includes digital images of every page from every issue, cover to cover, including the *New York Times Book Review*.

**Art Abstracts** - Provides comprehensive abstracting and indexing for periodicals published throughout the world. Full-text coverage for selected periodicals is also included. Periodical coverage includes English-language periodicals, yearbooks, and museum bulletins as well as periodicals published in French, Italian, German, Japanese, Spanish, Dutch, and Swedish.

**Music Scores & CDs** - Chancellor Kathryn A. Martin authorized several special grants to the UMD Library to augment its collections. One of these grants was $5,000 for the purchase of music scores. Most of the scores selected were ones that correspond to music CDs in the Library’s collection. If you would like to find a particular score or CD, go to the home page at http://www.d.umn.edu/lib and click on “Library Catalog.” Near the top of the screen, choose “Advanced Search.” After typing in the composer or title of the piece, look for “Limit search to” in the lower part of the screen and specify “Format” and then “Music Scores” or “Music Recordings,” as appropriate.
This has been another exciting year at the UMD Library. Even in an economically challenging year, we were very fortunate to acquire many new resources. I’d like to tell you about one of them, Early English Books Online (EEBO). First of all, I’d like to give a big thank you to Chancellor Kathryn A. Martin and College of Liberal Arts Dean Linda Krug, who helped us to purchase EEBO. This resource will provide digitized versions of all English printed books from 1473 to 1700. Right now, our faculty and students can see the original texts of over 100,000 titles. When complete, EEBO will provide access to over 125,000 unique titles. You will be able to find things of interest in most major subject areas.

This resource will benefit the research of many UMD faculty members. It used to be that if a scholar wanted to do research on these materials, he or she would have to view them on microfilm or travel to England. While EEBO won’t totally eliminate a scholar’s need to see an original, it will make research trips much more productive because scholars will be able to better determine in advance which originals they will want to see.

EEBO will also help our students. Anna Marie Roos, UMD History Professor and Honors Program Director, wrote me that EEBO will help both her History and her Honors students. Students in the senior history capstone course History of the Book must produce a major research paper. EEBO will give them primary resources to work with. In addition, she said that she could include printouts of incunabula (pre-1500 printed texts) for the students to analyze. Student papers from this and other courses could also well lend themselves to expanded research projects for UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program) or NCUR (National Conference of Undergraduate Research) presentations.

UMD is a member in EEBO’s Text Creation Partnership, which is a cooperative project of universities and libraries throughout the world to create SGML coding for the full text of 25,000 EEBO works. This will allow users to search the full ASCII text of the documents and view both the text and the corresponding original page images. This project will take another five years to complete, but once it is completed, the access to these works will be greatly enhanced.

While this resource was purchased primarily to serve the needs of UMD students and faculty, it is also available to anyone in our community who wishes to explore these historic texts. We cannot provide remote access, as we do for our students and faculty, but we can make EEBO readily available to anyone who visits our library. Stop at the Reference desk the next time you visit, and the librarians will be happy to demonstrate this wonderful new research tool for those interested in very old printed texts.

Congratulations!

Several UMD Library staff members will be honored at an Outstanding Service Awards Ceremony from 3-5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27, in the Kirby Ballroom. As Chancellor Kathryn A. Martin stated in her announcement of the awards: “We can take pride in the fact that our staff consists of such highly competent, hard working, and dedicated individuals.”

For Continuous Service: James Vileta
For Library Project: Joseph Holtermann and Darlene Morris
For Library Project: Tom Malefatto
IN MEMORIAM: JOSEPH H. SCHWARTZ

Joseph H. Schwartz, former UMD assistant librarian and instructor, died on December 27, 2003, at the age of 81. Joe worked at the UMD Library from 1968 through his retirement in 1979.

Donald Pearce, who was one of the Directors of the Library to work with Schwartz and who served as a pallbearer at his funeral, described him as “a very forthright person, very outspoken. You always knew exactly what he thought, but if he disagreed with you, that didn’t prevent him from being a very good and loyal staff member.” Pearce also remembered Schwartz as a multi-faceted individual with wide interests, such as in philosophy and self-sustaining farming.

After Joe’s health began to fail, he gave some of his books to David Pritchett, a member of his adopted family, the Sorensons of Cloquet. David was amazed by the extensive notes and underlinings that he found in almost every volume, especially in the books about philosophy, including works from the Greeks through twentieth century writers. According to Dennis Sorenson, Schwartz always encouraged people to further their education.

Joe graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.A. degree in 1948 and later received his master’s in library science from the University of Southern California. He served his country in the U.S. Army as a member of Darby’s Rangers in World War II, and he was the recipient of the Presidential Unit Citation with oak leaf cluster, the Combat Infantry Badge, and theater ribbons with five battle stars.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the UMD Library were encouraged. From those funds, books and audio-visual materials reflecting Joe’s life experiences and interests were purchased for the collections. Reference Librarian James Vileta and former Director Pearce chose a number of titles about Darby’s Rangers and World War II, as well as various philosophical works and books about living self-sufficiently on the land to honor Joe’s memory. His name will also be inscribed on the memorial plaque installed near the stairway on the Library’s first floor.

Library Supports Italian American Festival

In the spirit of the Italian American Festival 2004 (an exchange of art, academics, and culture between Duluth, Minnesota, and Palermo, Italy), the UMD Library produced a concourse display of Italian American resources and created Web pages linking supporting library materials to theatrical and artistic events related to the Festival. Find a comprehensive bibliography of UMD Library Italian American resources at http://www.d.umn.edu/lib/reference/bibl/italia/main.html.

The UMD Library is proud to be a partner in celebrating the cultural exchange that has enriched the learning experience of UMD students this year. Taking place over the course of several months, Italian American Festival 2004 included musicals, an Italian Big Band Show, a tour of Sicily, art exhibitions, opera, and an academic conference. It will culminate in a grand Heritage Celebration from 10 a.m.-7 p.m., May 1, 2004, at the DECC.

The Festival gave students a unique opportunity to explore international dimensions of various artistic fields, and it also provided citizens a gateway to expanded international connections. For more information, visit the Italian American Festival Web site at http://www.italiafest.us or call the UMD School of Fine Arts at 218/726-8261.
UMD Library employee **Shelly Kay Hemp** has been named UMD Student Employee of the Year. Hired in September 1999 as an Office Assistant at the Circulation desk, Shelly has since September 2000 served as Overdues and Search/Save Student Assistant to Pat Zierke. Shelly’s main task has been searching for and retrieving missing items for faculty, staff, and students. Her uncanny ability to locate items has repeatedly impressed library staff and patrons. She also has been responsible for printing and mailing notices, bills, and other correspondence pertaining to overdue or unreturned items. She has established an excellent student employee reputation because she goes beyond what is assigned and completes the extra steps that show she truly believes in quality service for all library patrons.

A fifth-year senior with a Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major and a Philosophy minor, Shelly has also found time in her busy schedule to enjoy photography. In some of her most interesting compositions, she has artistically combined the geometric dynamics of park benches, local architecture, and ordinary objects with the beauty of the natural Duluth area scenery. Shelly takes more than a second look at such things as animal tracks in snow, cloud formations, and shadows.

Shelly is originally from Champlin, Minnesota. She has taken the GRE but plans to return to the Twin Cities this summer to work for a year before deciding if she wants to attend graduate school. As a student employee at the Library, Shelly has been dedicated, loyal, quietly confident, and very pleasant to work with. It is quite obvious to the many staff members who signed her Student Employee of the Year nomination documents that she will succeed at whatever she endeavors to do.

Second runner-up for the UMD Student Employee of the Year Award was Library student employee **Joshua W. Denton**. Josh works as an Office Assistant for the Reference Team, assisting Reference Librarian Jim Vileta. While Josh has accomplished a variety of tasks, most of his efforts have been directed toward working on a sizeable Web site that supports the research needs of faculty and students of the Labovitz School of Business and Economics. This site, located at http://www.d.umn.edu/~jvileta, contains more than eighty Web pages, which link to over 30,000 other sites. Josh has been instrumental in establishing and maintaining the majority of these links.

During Josh’s three years of employment in the Library, he has grown in his job and has contributed many very useful, thoughtful, and practical ideas and suggestions. He recommended the development of an excellent addition to the site: Industry Links. Industry Links contains interconnected Web pages that bring together major industry Web links, appropriate electronic periodicals, industry statistics, and reference works into one highly useful interface. Thirty industries are profiled at http://www.d.umn.edu/~jvileta/industry.html, and the concept, design, and construction were entirely done by Josh.

**Thank you, Library Student Employees!**

The UMD Library participated in National Student Employment Week April 12-16 by recognizing the significant services of all of its student employees. Various departments throughout the Library celebrated with parties and treats for their workers.

We would like to thank Library student employees for their substantial contributions to the Library’s success.
REFERENCE TEAM ADDS MEMBERS

**Jodi Carlson** began work at the UMD Library as a full-time Reference Librarian on January 5. She is responsible for the subject areas of American Indian Studies, Communication, Government Documents, Political Science, and Women’s Studies.

Jodi received her Bachelor of Arts in Social Science from the College of St. Benedict and St. John’s University. After graduation, she taught English for four months in Taipei, Taiwan. She went on to earn her master’s in Library and Information Science from the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

Prior to coming to UMD, Jodi worked at the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center in Memphis, Tennessee, as an Adult Service Librarian. She went on to serve as an Adult Reference Services Librarian at the Neuse Regional Library in Kinston, North Carolina. At the Marshfield Public Library in Marshfield, Wisconsin, she was the Circulation Services Librarian for four years and an Adult Services Librarian for a year. Jodi has held part-time positions at St. Cloud State University and at the College of St. Benedict and St. John’s University, providing reference service and library instruction.

Jodi grew up in Finlayson, Minnesota, sixty miles south of Duluth, and she is very happy to be back, near family, friends, and water. Her hobbies include reading, traveling, and being outdoors (hiking, camping, learning how to kayak, etc.). She continues to help out at her family’s greenhouse business in Finlayson. She also has two cats, Aton and Tux, who have been with her since she lived in North Carolina in 1997.

**Julie Kapke** joined the UMD Library Reference Team in February and is currently working twenty hours per week. She came to UMD from Superior Public Library, where she was the Adult Services Manager for the past six years. Before that, she was a Reference Librarian at the Duluth Public Library for five years.

Julie grew up in Montana and attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, where she received her B.A. in Psychology. She was awarded her M.A. in Library and Information Studies from the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Julie’s hobbies include pinhole photography and road trips, which she likes to combine. She resides in Superior with her husband, Damon.

**Staff News**

**Jane Bottoms**, Senior Office Supervisor, has taken a Human Resources/Accounting position at Hibbing Public Utilities. Jane began working at the UMD Library as a student employee in 1987. She stayed on part time while working full time at Maurice’s, and then became a full-time member of the Library Administration team in 1993. Jane has had major responsibility for human resources and payroll representation, accounts payable, coordination of student employment, and chair of the Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards committee. Jane was awarded a UMD Outstanding Service Award in 2002.

**Reference Librarian Tom Connell** has left the UMD Library to become Chief of Library Services at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in West Palm Beach, Florida. Tom came to the UMD Library in 1999 as a temporary reference librarian but quickly became the Life Sciences Librarian, serving both the School of Medicine and the Department of Biology. One of Tom’s achievements during his tenure here was linking six hundred of the Library’s electronic journals to NLM’s PubMed, allowing library users to access full-text articles from PubMed search results.

**Tom Zogg**, Reference Librarian and pure sciences/geography subject specialist, just completed his 15th year as a reviewer for *Choice* with a review of *Dictionary of British Place Names*. Tom hopes that his upcoming trips to Berlin, Prague, Vienna, and Great Britain will augment the reference service provided to students in European geography courses offered at UMD.
Finals Week Hours (May 8-14)
- Saturday, May 8: 7:30 a.m.-midnight
- Sunday, May 9: 7:30 a.m.-midnight
- Mon.-Thurs., May 10-13: 7:30 a.m.-midnight
- Friday, May 14: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

May Session Hours (May 17-June 4)
- Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
- Friday: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Saturday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Sunday: Noon-5 p.m.

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