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Barb Bergman, Educational Resources Librarian, presented "Future so bright? Trends in video circulation policies" at the annual conference of the Consortium of College and University Media Centers, October 28-November 1, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Kellian Clink, Reference Librarian, Memorial Library, presented a session on campus climate for LGBT students at the Best Practices Forum Friday, Oct. 22. The session was the outcome of a research project facilitated by Diversity in the Curriculum workshops, President's Initiative Fund for Diversity.

Shelly Grace, Reference Librarian, attended the Somali Language and Literacy conference in St. Paul on Oct. 2, 2004.

Joan Roca, Dean of Library Services,

- attended the EDUCAUSE Conference from October 19-21, 2004 in Denver and focused on sessions addressing library support and technology issues.
- attended the OCLC Members Council meeting in Dublin, OH on October 23-26. As a regional representative for MINITEX on this international library cooperative he represents libraries in Minnesota, South Dakota, and North Dakota and coordinates the interest group: Global, Government, and Special Libraries.

Jessica Schomberg, Cataloging Librarian; Lynne Weber, Access Services Librarian, and graduate assistant **Megan Merseth**, attended the Midwest Conference Music Library Association conference in St. Louis, Missouri, October 7-9. Lynne conducted the meeting of the Membership Committee, of which she was the chair.

Daardi Sizemore, Archives and Special Collections Librarian

- attended the Minnesota Digital Library Annual meeting held on October 25 at the Minnesota Historical Society in St. Paul. At the event she moderated a session on "Getting Comfortable with Collections Online."
- attended the Midwest Archives Conference Fall Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa on October 28-30, 2004. She was a panelist on a session entitled "So We've Been Counted. So What? Making Sense of the A*CENSUS."

Lynne Weber, Access Services Librarian,

- submitted an enhanced version of a research project, "Wayzata Elementary String Program: an Oral History," to Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The submission will be added to the institutional archives which include other material relating to the Suzuki method of music education.
- attended the Critical Communications workshop held at MSU on October 15, 2004.

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The 4th Annual South Central Minnesota Genealogy Expo was held on Saturday October 23, 2004. This event is co-sponsored by MSU Library Services and the Blue Earth County Historical Society. This year 94 people attended from 15 different Minnesota counties. Eleven organizations shared information about their services/collections. Some organizations include: Blue Earth County Historical Society, Nicollet County Historical Society, Minnesota Historical Society, Sons of Norway – Mankato Chapter, and the LDS Church.

There were 19 sessions throughout the day including Cemetery Research 101, Researching German Ancestors, Getting Started in Genealogy, and much more. Kellian Clink, Reference Librarian assisted with three Internet-related classes and assisted with the Open Lab. Joanne Griebel, Reference Librarian taught two sessions, Maps, Atlases, and Gazetteers and Beyond Vital Records. Daardi Sizemore, Archives and Special Collections Librarian did a session on Oral History and led a tour of the MSU Library with an emphasis on the Lass Center.

Daardi Sizemore, Archives and Special Collections Librarian is the co-organizer of the event with much support from staff member Anne Stenzel, Archives Technician.