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From the Chair: I want to thank everyone for a very successful summer meeting this year. We accomplished a good deal. I am happy to announce that we have created the Jacqueline Fessard Johnson INDIGO Distinguished Service Award to recognize the exceptional achievements of INDIGO members. Jackie Johnson herself is the first recipient of this new award, as she served with dedication, distinction, and humor.

Another exciting project is the institution of a formal INDIGO archive. We have begun to take stock of INDIGO records and documents, and have formed an ad hoc committee with the intent of preserving and making available these items (Cindy Dabney)

Purdue Libraries News Construction is progressing on the [Active Learning Center](#) (ALC) which is scheduled to open in 2017. This will consolidate our science libraries into one facility located in the heart of campus. Technical information and webcam photos are [HERE](#).

I participated in Purdue's [Duke Energy Academy](#) preparing a [Libguide](#) on government energy information resources and consulting with students and teachers. The Libraries has purchased from Gale the Smithsonian Institution's Aviation and Flight 1784-1991.

Associate Dean Beth McNeill has left to become Dean of Libraries at Iowa State University. My article "Waste and Duplication in NASA Programs: The Need to Enhance U.S. Space Program Efficiency" was published in *Space Policy* earlier this year and is available [HERE](#).

Colleagues Sue Ward and Patty Glasson published the following [article](#) in *Library Resources and Technical Services* describing efforts to catalog individual Congressional Serial Set documents. I have also coauthored the following article "[It's in the Syllabus: Identifying Information Literacy and Data Information Literacy Opportunities Using a Grounded Theory Approach](#)" in a forthcoming issue of *The Journal of Academic Librarianship* doi:10.1016/j.acalib.2015.05.009 analyzing nutrition science and political science syllabi. I have also contributed several entries to ABC-CLIO's [Russia at War: From the Mongol Conquest to Afghanistan, Chechnya, and Beyond](#) and this publisher's [Encyclopedia of the Wars of the Early American Republic, 1783-1812: A Political, Social, and Military History](#). These writings can be found on Purdue's Epubs [website](#) [BC](#)

Royal Air Force History: Britain's Royal Air Force (RAF) has a remarkable history in its own right and has been allied with the U.S. in most major military operations in recent decades. Their website's [historical section](#) provides information about this organization's historical accomplishments and ongoing operations. Additional historical information can be acquired through their [museums](#). The RAF's [Centre for Airpower Studies](#) is a think tank studying airpower issues which publishes the journal [Air Power Review](#) [BC](#)

USDA's Disaster and Drought Information Portal provides information on how this agency monitors and responds to these problems ([BC](#))