Jane Block, architecture and art librarian at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), has been appointed as an associate to the Center for Advanced Study (CAS) at the UIUC for the spring semester 2002. In an annual competition, associates are selected from distinguished tenured faculty to pursue individual scholarly projects and interact with the CAS community for one semester. Block is the first member of the library faculty to receive this honor. During her tenure as a CAS associate, Block hopes to redefine the Neo-Impressionist movement of the late 19th century by focusing on a significant body of portraits created in France and Belgium.

Appointments

Karen A. Butter has been appointed university librarian and assistant vice chancellor for Library Services and Instructional Technology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Butter joined UCSF in 1992 as the director of Information Resources and Services for the library and Center for Knowledge Management. She became deputy director in 1993 and has served as acting university librarian since December 1997. Before coming to UCSF, Butter was the deputy director of the William H. Welch Medical Library at Johns Hopkins University. She has been the driving force in the development of the library’s new Center for Instructional Technology, which serves as a coordinated campuswide resource for faculty involved in developing Web-based curriculum. In addition, Butter is participating in research initiatives related to tobacco control efforts and is leading a major resource-sharing initiative for the California Digital Library. She is also planning library services for a second UCSF campus site currently under construction.

Chris Filstrup was appointed dean and director of libraries at SUNY-Stony Brook last August. He had been in charge of collections and technical services at North Carolina State University. Prior to that position, he worked at George Washington University, Library of Congress, and New York Public Library, where he began his career as a Middle East specialist. Filstrup has published articles on cooperative collection development and non-Roman script displays in online catalogs, and books on China and beads.

Holly Ackerman was appointed Andrew W. Mellon Post-doctoral Fellow in Latin American Research Librarianship at Duke University.

Beth Bernhardt has joined the faculty of Jackson Library at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro as an electronic journals/information delivery librarian.

Ruth Bryan has accepted a two year appointment as Archivist/Manuscript Cataloger in the Rare Book, Manuscript and Special Collections Library at Duke University.

Robert Burger has been appointed associate university librarian for services at the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign.

Kathy Kaldenberg is now librarian for the Florida Metropolitan University’s Tampa Campus.

Gloria L. Tibbs is now the Miller Nichols Library Information Commons specialist at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.
Fran Wilkinson has been appointed deputy dean for Library Services at University of New Mexico General Library.

Retirements

Kay Berger, after almost 29 years with the library and cataloging department at the University of California (UC), Berkeley, retired on January 2, 2001. Berger began her career in the UC Berkeley Library as a serials cataloger in the Serials Cataloging Division and later became the assistant head of the division. Eventually, Berger took on an assignment in the area of social sciences and humanities original cataloging, which she continued until her retirement. She also served many years as RLIN liaison to the library. She had a long-standing interest in automation and its potential for helping improve technical services operations in the library. Most recently, she was involved in the extensive planning and load of the Library of Congress Name Authority File into GLADIS. Her outside activities included the Chinese Librarian Association, where she was a founding member and one of the first two editors of the association's bilingual newsletter.

Thomas (Tom) W. Shaughnessy, university librarian for the University of Minnesota (UM)-Twin Cities Campus Libraries since 1989, recently announced his retirement effective September 30, 2001. Shaughnessy was director of libraries at the University of Missouri Columbia and held positions at Rutgers University and the University of Houston. Under Shaughnessy's leadership, the Elmer L. Andersen Library and its underground caverns for storage of materials from the libraries of the university and from other libraries in Minnesota was completed. He was instrumental in the creation of the Committee for Institutional Cooperation (CIC) Virtual Electronic Library, a project that allows students and faculty on all of the Big Ten campuses to have readily available access to the collections of all member libraries. Among his other accomplishments at UM were the creation of a Friends of the Library support group, a residency program to attract minority librarians to the university and to work in research libraries, and innovative service programs to support distance learners and provide bibliographic instruction via the Web. In 1996, he won the Hugh M. Atkinson Award, given by four divisions of ALA, ACRL, ALCTS, LAMA, and LITA.

Bill Whitson, Government and Social Science Information (GSSI) selector for Linguistics, Development Economics, Labor and Economic History, Demography, Information and Library Science since 1994, retired at the end of February, with more than 31 years of service to the library. He his career as a librarian in the new Moffitt Undergraduate Library, which opened in September 1970, and continued there until Moffitt was disbanded as an undergraduate library in 1993. Whitson was a leader in the two-year lobbying campaign in Sacramento for a salary inequity increase for librarians, and, in 1974 and 1975, was twice elected chair of the Librarians Association of the University of California-Berkeley. A long-time union leader, Whitson was president of the librarians' AFT Local 1795 from 1977–79 and from 1984–86. Whitson was
active professionally during the 1970s and 1980s in the California Clearinghouse on Library Instruction, and the California Library Association (CLA), serving on the CLA Council from 1984 to 1986, and subsequently on the editorial and organization committees. He was also active in CARL, the academic librarians’ chapter, and served as its president in 1995. He was instrumental in establishing CARL’s annual two-day statewide conference and creating the CARL Web site. He was named CARL Member of the Year in 1997.

**Deaths**

Harold H. J. Erickson, 69, librarian of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), from 1965–90, died on November 3, 2000, of complications from diabetes. During his tenure at UNLV, he developed the library to six times its original size, built up an endowment of more than $2 million, and created a Department of Special Collections, which is known for its materials on the gaming industry, before retiring in 1990. After brief stints at the Cincinnati Public Library, and at Syracuse University Library, Erickson became librarian for what was then Nevada Southern University, later to become UNLV.

Donald F. Joyce, dean of library and media service at Austin Peay State University Clarksville, Tennessee, died March 8 after a short illness. Joyce followed the late Charlamae H. Rollins as head of the George Cleveland Hall Branch of the Chicago Public Library (CPL) and as curator of the Vivian G. Harsh Collection of Afro Americana which was first housed at Hall Branch. After completing the plans for moving the Harsh Collection to the Carter G. Woodson Regional Library (circa 1974), Joyce took a leave of absence from CPL to pursue a Ph.D. in Library Science at the University of Chicago. His dissertation was expanded, revised, and published by Greenwood Press in 1983 as *Gatekeepers of Black Culture: Black Owned Book Publishing in the U.S., 1871–1981*. He published several more books with Greenwood during a 17-year relationship. He left CPL in the early 80s to work at the University of Tennessee-Nashville Campus, now a downtown campus of Tennessee State University. Joyce was a long time member of Black Caucus of the American Library Association and was recognized with its Distinguished Service Award in 1994. He was regularly called upon to review books by such publications as the *Nashville Tennessean, The Journal of Academic Librarianship*, and the *Chicago Sun Times*.

Albert Prince (A. P.) Marshall, 86, noted librarian and educator, died March 9, 2001. Marshall began his career in librarianship at Lincoln University, where he served as assistant librarian (1939–41). He went on to work as a librarian at the State Teachers College in Winston Salem, North Carolina (1941–50), and university librarian at Lincoln University, (1950–69). In 1969, he moved to Eastern Michigan University, where he was director of libraries (1969–72), dean of Academic Services (1972–78), and professor (1978–80). A lifelong member of ALA, Marshall was a member of ALA’s Council (1963–76). He was a candidate for ALA President in 1971. He was elected and served (1971–72) as 2nd vice president (an office that was eliminated in 1972–73). Marshall was also a member of the North Carolina Negro Library Association (1941–48), where he served as bulletin editor and member of the Executive Board; the Missouri Library Association, where he served as secretary (1954–56) and president (1961–62); and the Michigan Library Association. Marshall was the author of *Soldiers’ Dream: A Pictorial History of Lincoln University* (1966). He received numerous awards throughout his career, including election to the Alpha Phi Alpha Hall of Fame (1964), the Lincoln University Alumni Achievement Award (1965), and the Missouri Library Association Citation of Merit (1969).