Robert Curtis, head of the Maxwell Music Library at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana, Bonnie Jo Dopp, curator of Special Collections in Performing Arts for the Performing Arts Library at the University of Maryland in College Park, and Ned Quist, head librarian of the Arthur Friedheim Library at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland, have been elected members-at-large for the Music Library Association.

Leonard Kniffel, editor of the ALA publication American Libraries, was named the recipient of the 1998 Distinguished Alumnus Award for Wayne State University’s Library and Information Science Program. Prior to assuming the editor’s duties in 1996, he served as American Libraries’ acting editor, managing editor, and associate editor. Before joining American Libraries, Kniffel worked in the main branch and the Downtown Business and Foreign Language Collection of the Detroit Public Library, where he had experience in literary and community programming. He is a cofounder of the Poetry Resource Center of Michigan and edited its monthly Newsletter and Calendar. Kniffel has also taught workshops and courses on writing at the University of Michigan, Oakland University, and Wayne State. In the 1970s he founded Fallen Angel Press, a small literary publisher.

Deborah Herman-Morgan, assistant head of the Allen Memorial Library at the University of Hartford, Philip Ponella, head of public services for the Sibley Music Library at Eastman School of Music, and Kristina Shanton, a librarian at the music library of the University of Illinois, received the Music Library Association’s (MLA) Walter Gerboth Award. The Gerboth Award is presented to members of the MLA who are in the first five years of their professional library careers to assist research-in-progress in music or music librarianship.

Appointments

Robert L. “Jay” Jordan has been named president and chief executive officer of OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc. in Dublin, Ohio. He is the fourth president in OCLC’s 31-year history, succeeding K. Wayne Smith, who is stepping down after nearly ten years. Jordan previously served as president of new business development for the Information Handling Services (IHS) Group, an international publisher of electronic information databases, in Englewood, Colorado. Jordan has held several key positions during his 23-year career with IHS Group: vice president of U.S. sales; executive vice president of sales and marketing worldwide; president of IHS Engineering; and most recently, president of new business development and president of software, standards and print products. Jordan has served as a director of the Association for Information and Image Management and is currently director of the Information Technology Industry Council, the Information Industry Association, and the Colorado Center for the Book. He has also been active with the Standards Engineering Society, the Standards Publishing Advisory Board, and the 1991 White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. Jordan graduated with a bachelor’s in English Literature from Colgate University in 1966. He served as an officer in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1969.

Gloriana St. Clair has been appointed university librarian at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She joins CMU from Penn State University, where she served as interim dean of the university libraries. She also served as interim associate
dean for planning and administrative services for the Paterno/Pattee Library and was associate dean for information access services from 1990–96. St. Clair was also the assistant director at Oregon State University and head of acquisitions at Texas A&M University. Currently she is editor of the *Journal of Academic Librarianship*; previously she served as editor of *College and Research Libraries*, ACRL’s research journal. She was also a member of the Publications Committee and the board of *C&RL News*. She currently serves on the ACRL Budget and Finance Committee and was a member of the Ad Hoc Task Force on Redefining Scholarship. She is the secretary/treasurer of ALA’s Library Research Round Table. She was a board member of the Pennsylvania Academic Libraries Connection Initiative. St. Clair is the author of many articles and editorials.

Amira Aaron has been appointed director of academic services at The Faxon Company, Inc. in Westwood, Massachusetts.

David Adams has been appointed head of library systems at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

Rick Anderson has been appointed acquisitions librarian for the Walter Clinton Jackson Library at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Drew Beisswenger is the new music cataloger at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

Dea Borneman has been appointed an assistant professor in the Acquisitions and Collection Development Department of Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

Beverly Byl has been named director of university libraries development at Indiana University Libraries in Bloomington.

Christina E. Carter is now head of the reference department in the Zimmerman Library at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

Susan Curtis has been named head of the science and main reference departments at the University of Georgia Libraries in Athens.

Paul R. Dempsey has been appointed head of reference, Loop Campus Library, at the DePaul University Libraries in Chicago.

Charles Egleston has been appointed cataloger of medieval and renaissance manuscripts at the Pierpont Morgan Library in New York City.

Diane Garner has been appointed social sciences librarian in the Harvard College Library.

Robert James has been appointed circulation librarian for the Walter Clinton Jack-

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**ACRL’s Doctoral Dissertation Award**

Jeanine M. Williamson, a doctoral student in the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (UNCCH) School of Information and Library Science, has been awarded the 1998 ACRL/ISI Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship for her dissertation titled “Examining Literary Studies Articles for the Possibility of Sentence Extraction: Term Occurrences and Sentence Functions.”

Bill Potter, chair of the award committee, said, “Williamson’s research promises to provide dramatic improvements in connecting students and scholars in the humanities with the documents they need for their work. Ms. Williamson has demonstrated an outstanding scholarly record to date, and we are pleased to support her continuing efforts.”

Williamson is currently a reference student assistant at UNCCH and received her MLS from the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa in 1993.

The award, $1,500 and a plaque, is donated by the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) and will be presented at the ACRL Award Reception, Monday, June 29, 1998, at 5 p.m. at the Grand Hyatt Constitution Ballrooms A and B during the ALA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C.
Judy Kelly has been appointed director of virtual library design and director of virtual library development for the University of Georgia Libraries in Athens.

Karen Letarte is the new cataloger at Southwest Missouri State University Libraries in Springfield.

Maija M. Lutz has been appointed librarian of the Tozzer Library at Harvard University.

Mary Ann Mahoney has been appointed chemistry librarian for the University of California Library in Berkeley.

Patrick Newell has been appointed special assistant to the University Librarian for Strategic Projects at the California Digital Library.

John Ober joins the California Digital Library as the assistant director of education and communications.

Melissa J. Oleen has been appointed assistant reference librarian at the Walter Clinton Jackson Library at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Tammy Stewart has been appointed an assistant professor in the Government Documents Department of Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

Ed Summers has accepted the position as electronic resources cataloger at Old Dominion University Library in Norfolk, Virginia.

Hugh T. Terry is now serials librarian at the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

Michelle Turvey has been named a cataloger at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

Jerilyn Veldof has been appointed distance learning and instruction librarian and faculty liaison at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Jane Williams has been appointed director of office planning, research and grants at the University of Maryland Libraries, College Park.

Emmy Mills is retiring from the Walter Clinton Jackson Library at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro after 30 years of service. Mills first worked in Jackson Library as a staff member in the circulation department before taking time off to earn her MLS at the University of Illinois, Urbana. She returned to Jackson Library in 1972 as a special collections librarian.

Martha Ransley, head circulation librarian of the Walter Clinton Jackson Library at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), has retired after 32 years. She began her career as a library assistant in the circulation department, left to complete her MLS degree at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, returned as assistant catalog librarian in 1973, and became assistant circulation librarian later that year. She was head circulation Librarian from 1991 until her retirement. She served as executive officer of the Academic Cabinet at UNCG from 1984–86.

Don E. Wood, director of systems and budget services at the Morris Library at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale (SIUC), has retired after 28 years of services. Wood joined the SIUC Library as serials librarian in 1970. In 1994 he headed the systems department while continuing his duties as head of the serials department and liaison to the mathematics department. In 1997, Wood was named director for systems and budget ser-
Robert B. Croneberger, director of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh since 1986, died in February due to complications following heart bypass surgery. Croneberger had served on the governing council of the ALA from 1984–88, the Intellectual Freedom Committee (1989–91), and Legislation Committee (1994–present). He was a past chair of the ALA Accreditation Committee and the Urban Libraries Council. During the challenge to the Communications Decency Act (CDA) of 1996, Croneberger testified as an expert witness on behalf of the ALA. Bruce Ennis, lead counsel for the ALA and the coalition of organizations that challenged the CDA, said Croneberger’s assistance was truly invaluable. Donations may be made to Beginning with Books, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh; (412) 662-5102.

Frances Povsic, retired head librarian of the Curriculum Resource Center (CRC) at Bowling Green State University (BGSU), has died. During her 17 years in the CRC, Povsic developed collections and services, established the organizational system for the materials, and prepared the detailed plans for expansion of the physical facilities in 1978. Her area of research was children’s and young adult’s literature of eastern European countries and the former Soviet Union. She authored two books: Eastern Europe in Children’s Literature: An Annotated Bibliography of English-Language Books and The Soviet Union in Literature for Children and Young Adults: An Annotated Bibliography of English-Language Books. She was promoted to professor in 1988, and in 1989 she received the Friends’ Staff Award for Meritorious Service to Libraries and Learning Resources at BGSU. Povsic retired in 1990.

June S. Stillman, 68, retired librarian for the University of Central Florida (UCF) Library in Orlando, Florida, died March 10. She graduated with a bachelor’s in library science from Florida State University in 1951. She began her career as a librarian in Williston, Florida, and later at a public school in Fort Lauderdale. She then accepted a position with the Orlando Junior College as a librarian, received an MLS in 1966, and later earned a second master’s in English Literature. She became one of the charter members of the library staff at UCF (formerly Florida Technological University) in 1968. She was an active member for many years in the ALA, Florida Library Association, Southeastern Library Association, and United Faculty of Florida. She was a member of Beta Phi Mu and Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Societies, and received the UCF Excellence in Librarianship Award in 1984, and the Lifetime Service Award in 1996; she retired in December 1996. The June S. Stillman Memorial Scholarship fund has been set up to honor her dedication to learning. Make checks payable to UCF Foundation for the June S. Stillman Memorial Scholarship. Send donations to UCF Library, P.O. Box 162666, Orlando, FL 32816-2666, Attn.: Kimberley Daniels.