Elizabeth Byrne, head librarian of the Environmental Design Library at the University of California at Berkeley, received the Holway Jones Award from the Council on Planning Librarians (CPL) in honor of her contributions to the Council, to the field of planning librarianship, and to the planning field at large. Byrne is past-president of CPL, prepared its organizational policies and procedures manual, and currently serves on the Editorial Advisory Board for the CPL Bibliographies in the Journal of Planning Literature.

Lourdes T. David, head librarian at the University of the Philippines College of Science in Manila, has been awarded the UMI Library Technology Award recognizing librarians who have made significant contributions in developing innovative information systems and services that directly benefit patrons. David is the first librarian outside of the U.S. to receive this award. She is also coordinator for the Department of Science and Technology Engineering and Science Education project for networking academic libraries. One of her major achievements involved automating eight public and private libraries. Part of that effort included obtaining funds from UNESCO to construct a fiber optic data network that linked two college libraries across campus.

Jacqueline Donaldson Doyle, director of continuing medical education and learning resources at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Phoenix, has been elected president-elect of the Medical Library Association (MLA) for 1997–98. An active member in MLA, Doyle chaired the 1996 MLA National Program Committee, the Continuing Education Committee, and the Task Force on the Role of the Librarian in Information Management. Elected to three-year terms on MLA's Board of Directors were Bernie Todd Smith, director of the library and the Circuit Librarian Program at Werner Health Sciences Library, Rochester General Hospital, and Diane Schwartz, executive director of the Primary Care Resource Center at the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, State University of New York at Buffalo.

Carla Conrad Freeman, director of the Scholes Library of Ceramics at Alfred University, has received the 1997 Worldwide Books Publication Award for her book The Visual Resources Directory: Art Slide and Photograph Collections in the United States and Canada. The award recognizes outstanding publications in librarianship and the arts each year. Freeman received a State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship in 1993.

Jennifer Ottervik, head of the Music Library at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, has been named winner of the 1997 Walter Gerboth Award by the Music Library Association. The award is given annually to a music librarian in the first five years of his or her career who is engaged in research likely to lead to publication. Ottervik's research topic, "The Use of Jazz in Opera," will result in the production of a bibliography of operas that use jazz elements.

Thomas W. Shaughnessy, university librarian at the University of Minnesota, has been elected to the OCLC Board of Trustees. He will serve a four-year term. Shaughnessy is past-chair of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges Board on Library Resources and Services. He received the 1996 Hugh C. Atkinson Award honoring outstanding achievement in academic librarianship that is given jointly by ACRL, ALCTS, LITA, and LAMA.

Dana C. Rooks, dean of libraries at the University of Houston, has been named Librarian
of the Year by the Texas Library Association (TLA). Rooks was honored for her “contribu­
tions to the library profession statewide, especi­
ally her work promoting and directing the TexShare academic library consortium.” TLA
also praised Rooks's strong leadership quali­
ties, her willingness to mentor other librarians,
and her wealth of knowledge about libraries
and librarianship.

Appointments

Karen Hackleman Dahlen has been named
director of the Health Sciences Libraries at the
University of Wisconsin-Madison. She most re­
cently worked at the University of Illinois at
Chicago where she held a joint appointment in
medical education and health information man­
age ment, and actively participated in several
grant projects. Before that she served an in­
ternship at the Welch Medical Library at Johns
Hopkins University and a leadership appren­
ticeship at Vanderbilt University Medical Cen­
ter.

Marianne I. Gaunt has been appointed uni­
versity librarian at Rutgers University. She had
served as acting university librarian since Feb­
ruary 1996. Before that, Gaunt served in a num­
ber of capacities at Rut­
gers including associate
university librarian for
research and under­
graduate services, online
services coordinator, cir­
culation librarian, and di­
rector of Alexander Li­
brary. A member of the
ACRL 8th National Conference Executive Com­
mittee, Gaunt currently serves on the govern­
ing board of the Center for Electronic Texts in
the Humanities, a joint program of Rutgers and
Princeton Universities.

Mohammed A. S. Khan has been named head
librarian/librarian specialist at South Florida
State Hospital Medical Library in Pembroke
Pines. Khan has worked as a library consultant
for California Technical University and the U.S.
Department of Public Health Services in New
York. He also worked as
head librarian of the En­
gineering Research Li­
brary at the Automobile
Club of Southern Califor­
dia; senior information
specialist at the Kuwait
Institute for Scientific Re­
search; lecturer/librarian
at the King Abdulaziz
University in Jeddah,
Saudi Arabia; and expert
librarian at the University of Sulaimaniyah in
Iraq. A member of several professional organi­
zations including ALA, Khan is currently pur­
suing his Ph.D. in information systems from
Nova Southeastern University in Florida.

Clifford A. Lynch, director of library automa­
tion at the University of California (UC) Office
of the President, has been appointed execu­
tive director of the Coalition for Networked In­
formation (CNI). Lynch has been at UC since
1979, and is internationally known for his de­
velopment of Melvyl, an information system that
serves all the UC campuses. He has played a
key role in developing information standards,
especially Z39.50, which addresses the need
for interoperability among information retrieval
systems. Lynch has served on the Board of Di­
rectors of the National Information Standards
Organization (NISO) and currently is a mem­
ber of NISO’s Standards Development Commit­
te. Immediate past-president of the American
Society for Information Science (ASIS) and a
fellow of the American Association for the Ad­
vancement of Science, Lynch has received sev­
eral awards including ALA’s LITA/Gaylord
Award, an ASIS Dissertation Award, and the
American Society for Engineering Education’s
Homer Bernhardt Award.

Janet Martin Welch, director of the Rochester
Regional Library Council for the past 20
years, has been named assistant commissioner
for libraries and state librarian by the New York
State Board of Regents. Welch has professional
experience in school, public, academic, and cor­
porate libraries. Professionally active, she has
held more than two dozen elected or appointed
posts including president of the New York Li­
brary Association (NYLA) (1991–92), chair of
the New York State Regents Advisory Council
on Libraries (1985–86), and delegate to the
White House Conference on Library and Infor-
Patricia Weaver has been appointed head librarian of Woodland Library at the Abington College, one of the newly formed colleges of the Pennsylvania State University. Weaver has spent the last five and a half years as business reference librarian, adjunct faculty, and acting head of reference at Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, where she received her MBA degree in 1995. She is currently vice-president/president-elect of the Delaware Valley Chapter of ACRL and is a member of PALINET’s Finance Committee.

Michael Burgmeier is now head of media resource services at Virginia Commonwealth University’s James Branch Cabell Library.

Karen Clay has joined the University of Manitoba Libraries as agriculture/science/engineering reference librarian.

Constantia Constantinou has been named coordinator of information access and library technology at the Helen T. Arrigoni Library/Technology Center at Iona College.

Willy Cromwell-Kessler is now library and bibliographic services officer at the Research Libraries Group.

Brian Cuthrell is now electronic access archivist at the South Caroliniana Library at the University of South Carolina, Columbia.

Robin Dale has joined the Research Libraries Group as member services officer.

Kathel Dunn has been named head of public services at the New York Academy of Medicine Library.

Susan Elliker has been appointed a reference librarian in the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan Information Transfer Source.

Mary Ann Itoga is now head of the Cataloging Department at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Stephanie Midkiff has been named law reference librarian at the University of Oregon, Eugene.

Scott Muir has been appointed head of systems at the Boston College Libraries in Chestnut Hill.

Angus Nesbit has been appointed law reference librarian at the University of Oregon, Eugene.

Emily Nuernberger has been appointed public services librarian at the Technical College of the Lowcountry in Beaufort, South Carolina.

Sue Parks is now assistant media librarian at the University of North Texas Media Library.

Lorraine Perrotta has joined the Huntington Library in San Marino, California, as acquisitions librarian.

Alan Pochi is now head of cataloging at the Tisch Library at Tufts University.

Diane Richardson has been named reference librarian/urban epidemiology specialist at the New York Academy of Medicine.

Daniel J. Slive has been named coordinator of reader and bibliographic services at the John Carter Brown Library in Providence, Rhode Island.

Liv Valmestad has been appointed reference librarian/bibliographer at the University of Manitoba's Architecture/Fine Arts Library.

Daphne Wang has been named East Asian catalog team leader at the University of Oregon, Eugene.

James C. Woodman has been appointed assistant librarian for reference and technical services at the Boston Athenaeum.

Retirements

Jennie S. Boyarski, director of library services at Paducah Community College Library, retired July 1 after 30 years of service.

Virginia Holtz, director of the Health Sciences Libraries at the University of Wisconsin-Madison since 1971, retired at the end of April. During her tenure, Holtz led the expansion of the libraries’ outreach services in reference and in both basic and continuing education support for hospital and health science libraries across the state. On a national level, she was active in the Association of Academic Health Science

Anita Lowry, head of the University of Iowa (UI) Libraries Information, Research, and Instructional Services Department since 1995, died in July following heart surgery. She was 46. Lowry joined the UI staff in 1993 as head of the newly opened Information Arcade. Before that she worked at Columbia University as deputy head of the Butler Library Reference Department, and was founding director of Columbia’s electronic text service. Sheila Creth, UI’s university librarian, said, “We will continue to benefit from Anita’s many professional accomplishments. Those who know her and enjoyed her .. quick wit and good humor have lost a friend as well as a valued colleague.” (September 1996)

Paul Evan Peters, founding director of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), died on November 18 while walking with his wife on a beach in Florida. He was 48. Peters founded CNI and served as its head since March 1990. Before that he served as systems coordinator at the New York Public Library from 1987 to 1989; assistant university librarian for systems at Columbia University; and as a principal in a variety of research and development projects at the University of Pittsburgh. A former member of the ALA Council, Peters was also former president of ALA’s Library and Information Technology Association, and former chair of the National Information Standards Organization (NISO). CNI Steering Committee chair Richard West said, “We do not yet comprehend how much Paul will be missed. His leadership, insight, and quiet competence have had an impact on all who have benefited from the CNI program.” (January 1997)

Library Directors and the Medical Library Association (MLA) and was named an MLA Janet Doe lecturer. In 1993 the Wisconsin Health Science Library Association named her Librarian of the Year.

Dorothy Kanter, collection access librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Health Sciences Libraries, will retire this summer after 32 years of service. Kanter began work at the libraries as a project assistant while still in library school, then quickly moved into positions of responsibility in acquisitions and serials. She participated in the move to computerized journal records and to computer programs tracking journal usage.

Phyllis Kauffman, history of medicine librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW) Health Sciences Libraries, will retire this summer. Kauffman began working at UW in 1982 and served in cataloging, interlibrary loan, and reference. During her husband’s sabbatical, she worked in a Dutch medical library. She took responsibility for the History of Medicine Collection in 1991.

George Mitchell, libraries development officer at the University of North Texas in Denton, retired in March after more than 28 years of service.

Corinne J. Potter, director of the library at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa, retired at the end of June after 20 years of service. Potter spearheaded the move for construction of the new library building, which opened in March 1996. She has been active in the Iowa Private Academic Libraries Consortium since it organized in 1978 and in the Iowa Association of College and Research Libraries.

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