**Sheri Downer**, interim dean of Auburn University Libraries, has been elected chair of the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries (NAAL). NAAL coordinates a statewide program to strengthen and share library resources supporting graduate education and research.

**P. Toby Graham**, director of the Digital Library of Georgia (based at the University of Georgia), will receive the 2004 Alabama Author Award for Nonfiction for *A Right to Read: Segregation and Civil Rights in Alabama’s Public Libraries 1900–1965*, the first book to examine public library segregation in the South. The book stems from Graham's dissertation at the University of Alabama, which won four other awards, including the Association of Library and Information Science Education's Eugene Garfield Dissertation Award and the Phyllis Dain Library History Dissertation Award, given by ALA's Library History Round Table. Graham used primary source material, including records of public library boards, to examine public library segregation from its origins in the late 19th century through its end during the 1960s civil rights movement. Prior to Graham's appointment to the Digital Library of Georgia in 2003, he was head of special collections at the University of Southern Mississippi.

**Andrew K. Pace**, head of the North Carolina State University (NCSU) systems department, was recently appointed to the leadership team responsible for the overall planning and coordination of the NISO (National Information Standards Organization) MetaSearch Initiative. The initiative involves database and e-resource content, usability, and metadata concerns. The goal is to enable information seekers to search easily and simultaneously across a large number of the library e-resources they need and, at the end of the search process, to present them both highly understandable and useful search results.

**Les Pourcia**, retired director of libraries at the University of Memphis, received the first TRACES Award from UM's Association of Retirees (UMAR) for a life of outstanding (and continuing) service and scholarship.

**Appointments**

**Judy Consales** has been appointed director of UCLA's Louise Darling Biomedical Library, where she has served as interim director since 2002 and as deputy director since 1999. Her experience in medical libraries spans 27 years and includes work as a hospital medical librarian and a trainer and account representative for information providers. In addition, Consales headed the reference department at the New York Academy of Medicine for four years and has worked in several capacities for the Pacific Southwest Regional Medical Library at UCLA. She was one of five individuals nationally selected for the National Library of Medicine/American Association of Health Sciences Libraries Leadership Fellows Program this year. She is a member of the Medical Library Association.

**Alexandra Bernet** has been appointed project archivist in the Rare Books and Manuscript Library at Columbia University.

**Marissa R. Cachero** is now the reference, instruction, and liaison librarian at the George Mason University-Arlington Campus Library.

**Paola Ceccarini** is now an instruction and reference librarian at George Washington University's Gelman Library System.

**Hyeyoon Cho** is now a music cataloger librarian at Southern Methodist University's Central University Libraries.

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Debra Denslaw has joined the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis as a reference librarian. Susan Foster-Harper is now health sciences reference librarian at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. Harold Gee has been named research librarian for business at the University of California-Irvine. Sylvia Goldberg has been appointed electronic resources acquisitions librarian at the University of California-Irvine. Katherine Harvey is now cataloging maintenance librarian at the University of California-Irvine. Bridget Lerette has been appointed project archivist at Columbia University's Avery Architectural and Fine Arts Library. Winifred Fordham Metz has been appointed media resources librarian at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Bridget H. Miller has been named head of the serials unit at the George Mason University Libraries. Heija B. Ryoo has been appointed Korean cataloger for the East Asia Library at the University of Washington Libraries. Michael O. Terry is now the science reference/liaison librarian at George Mason University's Fenwick Library. Dongqing Xie has been named digital technologies librarian at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Ann Zawistoski has been appointed reference and instruction librarian at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota.

Retirements

Margaret Mooney, government publications department head and coordinator/managing editor of INFOMINE, has retired from the University of California-Riverside (UCR) Libraries after 26 years of service. Before joining UCR, she translated ethnomusicology materials from French, Chinese, and Japanese into English at UCLA. Mooney developed a dBase program to convert GPO's depository item numbers (on index cards) and UCR's selection to a machine readable file. In 1992, Mooney created USDOCS, an automated documents processing program, and later used USDOCS to created UCR's public access catalog for government information titles. In 1994, she created INFOMINE, a Web-based library of government information sources. Mooney received the ALA Government Documents Round Table Bernadine Hoduski Founders Award in 2003.

Larry R. Oberg, university librarian at Willamette University's Mark O. Hatfield Library and editor of Moveable Type, has retired after 11 years of service to the university.

Deaths

Mark M. Gormley, 79, former ACRL executive secretary (1961–62), has died. Gormley was appointed assistant director of libraries at Colorado A&M (now Colorado State University) from 1956 to 1961. After serving 12 months as ACRL executive secretary, he was appointed director of libraries at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He later became director of libraries at Wayne State University (1970–71), director of libraries at the University of Missouri-St. Louis (1971–75), head of the East Cleveland Public Library (1975–76), and library director of Dyke College (now David Myers College in Cleveland) from 1977 to 1980. He published and consulted extensively, served on numerous ACRL boards and committees, and was president of the Colorado Library Association (1959–60). In 1998, Gormley received the Ernest J. Spaights award for distinguished service from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

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