Larry Hardesty, library director at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, has been chosen Alumnus of the Year for 2002 by the Alumni Association of the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Library and Information Studies. During his tenure as ACRL president (1999–2000), he initiated the Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. Hardesty was named ACRL Academic/Research Librarian of the Year in 2001 and is serving as chair of the 2003 ACRL National Conference.

Derrie Roark Perez has been elected president-elect of the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries. She has served as interim dean of the University of South Florida (USF) Library System since 1999. She is also a faculty member in the USF School of Library and Information Science.

Carolyn Sheehy, Clare and Lucy Oesterle director of library services at North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, was named the 11th recipient of the Harold and Eva White First Citizen of the College award. In 1992, Sheehy became the third person in the country, and the first in Illinois, to hold an endowed library directorship at a small college. Her other accomplishments include twice cochairing North Central’s strategic planning process and editing two books in the Greenwood Press Library Management College: Managing Business Collections in Libraries and Managing Performing Arts Collections in Academic and Public Libraries.

**Appointments**

Kathy Arsenault has been appointed dean of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library at the University of South Florida-St. Petersburg. Arsenault was named library director after serving as acting director since 1999. She had been director of the library’s special collections department since joining the university in 1982.

Ronald L. Larsen has been named dean of the University of Pittsburgh’s School of Information Sciences.

Phyllis Ruscella is the new director of the University of South Florida-Tampa. As director, Ruscella oversees the access services and reference departments and the Library Media Center. Her previous position was as the associate university librarian for public services at Georgia State University.

Richard H. Swain has been appointed director of library services at West Chester (Pennsylvania) University. Swain has been a member of the West Chester library faculty since 1994, serving first as humanities reference/bibliographic instruction librarian and then as electronic resources librarian. He has extensive local, regional, and national experience in library automation and resource sharing. Swain’s positions include reference librarian at Northern Michigan University, head of public services and acting director at Cleveland State University, and head of reference at the University of Maine-Orono.

Winston Tabb, associate librarian at the Library of Congress since 1995, has been named dean of university libraries and director of the Sheridan Libraries at Johns Hopkins University. Tabb has served on a number of national and international professional library associations, including the Association of Research Libraries, the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, and the Soros Foundation—which makes grants for library advancement in the countries of the former Soviet Union.

Leslie Andersen has been appointed visual and performing arts librarian at California State University-Long Beach.

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Michael A. Arseneau is now catalog librarian/special formats and database management librarian at the University of New Orleans' Earl K. Long Library.

Alan Asher has joined Rod Library at the University of Northern Iowa as art and music librarian and bibliographer.

Nancy Babb has been appointed senior assistant librarian in the Law Library at the University of Buffalo.

Timothy Bryant is now reference librarian and bibliographer at the University of Northern Iowa's Rod Library.

Helen Faye Christenberry has been appointed English studies librarian at the University of Washington Libraries-Seattle.

Carrie E. Donovan is the new Miller Nichols library instruction reference librarian at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Libraries.

Xu Fang (Grace) has joined the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries as social sciences reference/instruction librarian.

Marlayna Gates has accepted the position of director of access services at the Social Sciences and Humanities Library at the University of California-San Diego.

Russell Hall is the new assistant librarian at Pennsylvania State New Kensington Library.

Brooke E. Henderson has been named art librarian at Wellesley College.

Wendy Hîghby is the new acquisitions/serials librarian at the University of Northern Colorado's James A. Michener Library.

Rebecca Imamoto has joined the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries as reference/instruction librarian.

John C. Kelly has been named the digital initiatives librarian at the University of New Orleans' Earl K. Long Library.

Madge Klais is now a member of the University of Wisconsin-Madison's School Library Media Program in the School of Library and Information Studies.

Sean Knowlton has been appointed humanities reference/instruction librarian at the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries.

Jeongmin Lee has been named business reference librarian at the Earl K. Long Library at the University of New Orleans.

Hongbin Liu is now electronic resources librarian at the University of New Orleans' Earl K. Long Library.

Marilyn Mercado has been appointed dean of library services at the University of Northern Iowa's Rod Library.

Janet E. Murphy is now the access services/interlibrary loan librarian at the University of New Orleans' Earl K. Long Library.

Beth Namei has accepted the position of instruction librarian at the University of New Orleans' Earl K. Long Library.

Michael Norman has joined the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign as head of serials cataloging.

Elena O'Malley has been named head of library computer and Internet services at Emerson College.

Anne Ostendarp has been named archivist at Franklin Pierce College.

Suzan R. Parker has been appointed reference and instruction/social science librarian at the University of Washington Libraries, at the Cascadia Community College and University of Washington, Bothell Collocated Campus.

Barbara Ring has been named acquisitions/serials librarian at the San Diego campus of Alliant International University.

Amy Schindler has joined the University at Albany, SUNY, Libraries as a curator of manuscripts.

Jim Schnur is now assistant university librarian at the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library at the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg.

Eva Sorrell has been appointed electronic resources cataloger at the University of California, Irvine Libraries.

Joseph Straw has been appointed assistant reference librarian at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Patricia A. Watkins has been appointed business and information service and resources librarian in the International Business Information Centre at the Thunderbird American Graduate School of International Business in Arizona.

Joseph Zumalt has been appointed assistant agricultural librarian and assistant professor of library administration at the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign.

Retirements

Dianne McAfee Hopkins has retired after 15 years of service to the School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Among colleagues in the school library community, she is known for her research into intel-
lectual freedom challenges in schools and the Library Power Evaluation as well as for her leadership in state and national associations. Her work on the SUS curriculum committee through the period of reaccreditation is especially noteworthy. In 1992, Hopkins won the Distinguished Service Award from the American Association of School Librarians (AASL). In 1999 she was named to the Intellectual Freedom Honor Roll by ALA’s Office for Intellectual Freedom, and in 2001 she was named winner of the Wisconsin and the National AASL/SIRS Intellectual Freedom Awards for her research and advocacy on intellectual freedom issues.

Sandy Pfahler, associate director of the University of Wisconsin-General Library System, has retired after 32 years of service.

Deaths

Theresa Gillett, 96, who was chief cataloger at the University of New Mexico until her retirement, has died. After retiring, Gillett became active in Friends of the Albuquerque Public Library and was historian, archivist, librarian, and member of First Congregational United Church of Christ.

Gertrude Becker Herman, 86, died on October 24, 2001, after a distinguished career of service to children’s librarianship. She was the children’s literature and services specialist on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Library and Information Studies from 1968 until her retirement in 1985. She also served as children’s librarian at the New York Public Library and as the librarian of the Fieldston School in Riverdale, New York. Herman’s research on French popular literature of the 19th century for children, “Les Images d’Epinal,” was notable. She had a particular interest in illustration in children’s books and was a regular contributor to Horn Book magazine. Her knowledge of children’s books made her an effective member of juries and selection committees for national awards, including American Book Awards (Children’s Books), Notable Children’s Books, the Caldecott Award, and the Wilder Award. She also served on the executive board of the Cooperative Children’s Book Center (CCBC) and was a founding member of the Friends of the CCBC.

Arnulfo Trejo, founder and first president (1971-74) of REFORMA—the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking—has died. Trejo was elected to an honorary membership in ALA in 2001 for his outstanding contributions of lasting importance to libraries and librarianship. In 1992 he created the Foster-Trejo Foundation for Hispanic Library Education. At the University of Arizona Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Trejo established the Graduate Library Institute for Spanish-Speaking Americans to recruit and train bilingual/bicultural librarians to serve the growing Spanish-speaking community in the United States. Trejo wrote and edited many books and articles, including Quien es Quien: A Who’s Who of Spanish/Latino Librarians in the United States; Bibliografia Chicana: A Guide to Information Services; and Seminario on Library and Information Services for the Spanish-Speaking. Trejo received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Kent State University School of Library Science; the Distinguished Service Award from the University of Arizona School of Information Resources and Library Science; and the REFORMA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Sylvia Walsh, librarian of the Mathematical Sciences Library on Rutgers University’s Busch campus, has died. Walsh worked at the Rutgers University Libraries for more than 30 years, serving as library faculty secretary (1981-83) and as a member of academic promotion/reappointment committees. She contributed to two American Mathematical Society surveys of mathematics research libraries. Walsh also authored a brief study of “The Frescoes of Tavant,” comparing the frescoes of Tavant to others in the Loire valley of France.