Susan A. Matson, assistant professor and assistant cataloging librarian, has been named the 1998 recipient of the Library Affairs Outstanding Faculty Award. She joined the Library Affairs faculty in 1978 as assistant serials librarian. She earned a Ph.D. in Linguistics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1972 and her MLS in 1977.

Appointments

Millicent “Penny” Abell has been named acting interim university librarian of the University of California (UC) Berkeley Libraries after having been named university librarian emerita upon retirement from the Yale University Library in January 1995. Prior to her appointment at Yale, Abell served for eight years as university librarian at UC San Diego and in administrative positions at the State University of New York at Buffalo and the University of Washington. She has been active in national library activities: a founding member of the Commission on Preservation and Access and the Digital Preservation Consortium, president of ACRL, chair of the Center for Research Libraries, and an executive committee member of the Research Libraries Group. Abell has served as a consultant advising university administrators and librarians at numerous institutions, including Columbia, Harvard, Toronto, Michigan, Northwestern, New York University, and the New York Public Library.

Adrian W. Alexander was appointed executive director of the Big 12 Plus Library Consortium. Alexander was director of strategic development at the Faxon Company, Inc., a serials management services company. He also served as head of the Faxon Institute, a continuing education and research arm of the company. He has spent almost 13 years in the serials industry in a variety of sales, marketing, and strategic planning roles. At Faxon his primary focus has been in the academic library market. Alexander has an MLS and a Certificate of Advanced Study in library administration from the University of North Texas, where he also worked as a reference librarian/bibliographer and head of administrative services. He is an active member of the ALA and serves on the editorial board of Serials Review. The Big 12 Plus is a regional consortium of research libraries in the greater Midwest with common interests in programs related to information access, document delivery, distance learning, new information technologies, and cooperative collection development.

Richard M. Cochran has been named dean of Library and Instructional Services at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan. He was most recently dean of the library at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, New Jersey, and previously served as library director at three colleges in Vermont and Ohio. While in New Jersey, Cochran served as president of the Central Jersey Regional Library Cooperative, president of the Council of New Jersey College and University Library Directors, and was a member of the Board of the New Jersey Library Association. He earned a B.A. from the University

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Peter S. Graham will become university librarian at Syracuse University, effective September 1. He is currently the associate university librarian for Technical and Networked Information Services at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey—a position he has held since 1987. In 1995, Graham established university-wide online access to major citation and full-text databases. From 1989 to 1992, Graham served as associate vice president for information services at Rutgers. In this position he created a unified University Computing Services by combining and reorganizing previously separate academic and administrative computing groups. Graham received an MLS from Indiana University, a bachelor of philosophy degree in English Renaissance literature from Oxford University, and a master of arts degree with honors in English Renaissance literature from Columbia University. Graham is a member of the advisory board of Book Arts Press at the University of Virginia; a member of the governing bodies of the Bibliographical Society of America and the ALA; and a member and chair of the governing board of the Center for Electronic Texts in the Humanities, a joint organization of Princeton and Rutgers universities.

Shirley Leung has been appointed university librarian at Hong Kong Baptist University. Leung has been at the University of California, Irvine, for 14 years, where she served as assistant university librarian for technical services, associate university librarian for research and instructional services, and, most recently, interim university librarian. From 1992–93, she was selected to be an American Council on Education Fellow and served as an intern in the Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost at Arizona State University. Leung received a B.A. in History from Lake Erie College, an MLS from the State University of New York at Albany, and an M.A. in Political Science from the State University of New York at Binghamton. Active in a wide range of campus and professional organizations, she currently co-chairs the Invited Papers Subcommittee for the 9th ACRL National Conference.

Greg Pronevitz has been appointed the first regional administrator for the Northeast Massachusetts Regional Library System in North Andover. Pronevitz previously directed the Library Technologies Department at OHIONET for eight years. His professional experience also includes positions at the Ohio State University Libraries, Chemical Abstracts Service, and the Center for Research Libraries. He holds a master’s degree from the State University of New York at Albany School of Library and Information Science and has a bachelor’s in Russian language and literature. Pronevitz was an active member of the Academic Library Association of Ohio, where he was a past-president and board member. He has held committee positions with the ALA, Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies, and Interlibrary Cooperation and Networking Section.

Stephen R. Shorb has been appointed library director for the Manchester Community-Technical College in Manchester, Connecticut. He was previously head of learning resources at the Higher Colleges of Technology located at Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates. He began his library career as reference librarian at Southwest State University in Minnesota and has worked as a computer marketing manager for IBM and Hewlett-Packard. His undergraduate degree and MLS are both from the University of Iowa.

Pamela Snelson has been named college librarian at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Snelson was previously associate librarian at Drew University with responsibilities for automation and public services. A 1975 graduate of Drew, Snelson went on to earn her MLS from Rutgers Uni-
versity in 1976, her MA in political science from Drew in 1980, and her Ph.D. from the Rutgers School of Communication, Information and Library Studies in 1993. Snelson has served on numerous committees of ACRL, chairing the College Libraries section and the editorial board of C&RL News, and was recently elected vice president of the PALINET board of trustees.

Jean Alexander is now head of the Hunt Library Information Center at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Teri Bennis has been appointed reference and instructional services librarian at the H. M. Briggs Library of South Dakota State University in Brookings.

Barbara J. Bergman has been appointed media librarian at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas.

Ann Brownson has been appointed reference librarian and subject bibliographer for education studies at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Scott Burright has joined the Albin O. Kuhn Library and Gallery at the University of Maryland in Baltimore County as digital public services librarian.

Debra Currie has been appointed collection manager for agriculture and environmental sciences at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

Meredith Curtis has been appointed cataloger at the Nunez Community College Library in Chalmette, Louisiana.

**Correction**

We erroneously reported in the June 1998 issue of this column information about Paul R. Dempsey. The entry should have read: **Paula R. Dempsey** has been appointed head of reference, Loop Campus Library, at the DePaul University Libraries in Chicago.

The editors regret the error.

Carol Doyle has been appointed head of Government Documents & Map Libraries in the Henry Madden Library at California State University in Fresno.

Karl Fattig is now the Web development librarian at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

David S. Goble has been appointed head of the Collection Access and Delivery Services Department at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

Nancy Hallock was appointed Spanish/Portuguese Cataloging Team Leader of the Cataloging Services Department in the Widener Library at Harvard.

Peggy E. Hoon has been appointed scholarly communication librarian at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

John Howard has been appointed librarian for information technology in the Harvard College Library.

C. David Jackson has been appointed head of the North Carolina State University Libraries' Special Collections Department in Raleigh.

Anne Larsen is now the associate library building consultant at the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Pamela Ortega has been appointed reference librarian and subject bibliographer for Communication Disorders Sciences, Foreign Languages, and Latin-American Studies at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Marcy Pride is the new collection management/interlibrary loan librarian at the Albin O. Kuhn Library and Gallery at the University of Maryland in Baltimore County.

Lynne Schmelz has been appointed librarian for the sciences in the Harvard College Library.

Kurri Sewich has been appointed reference librarian in the Henry Madden Library at California State University in Fresno.

John Sterbenz has been appointed access services manager and systems librarian at the Kresge Business Administration Library at the University of Michigan Business School in Ann Arbor.

Carol A. Struble has been appointed head of cataloging at Robert Morris College Library in Moon Township, Pennsylvania.

James Teliha has been named access services librarian at Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls.
Vang Vang has been appointed reference librarian in the Henry Madden Library at California State University in Fresno.

Alex Wade has been appointed systems librarian at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Linda Yamamoto is the new head librarian and bibliographer of Mathematical and Computer Sciences Library at Stanford University.

Retirements

Marvin E. Monsma, library director for the Hekman Library, will retire in August after 33 years (28 as library director) of service to Calvin College and Calvin Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, Michigan. In his earlier years at Calvin, Monsma taught undergraduate-level courses in library science, served as a library consultant to Christian schools in Michigan, Illinois, and Indiana, and taught graduate-level library science courses for the University of Michigan and Western Michigan University at their Grand Rapids Extension Centers. He was part of the group that formed the Michigan Library Consortium and served on its Executive Council. Prior to his career as a librarian, Monsma taught English and speech at the secondary level for eight years. He received a B.A. from Calvin College, an M.A. in Education from Michigan State University, and an MLS from the University of Michigan.

Robert Wedgeworth, university librarian at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) Library, has announced his plan to retire in August 1999. Wedgeworth was appointed interim university librarian in September 1992 and was appointed university librarian in November 1993. During his tenure, the library completed development of a comprehensive technology infrastructure and has propelled its Mortenson Center for International Library Programs into the forefront of international foreign exchange programs. Wedgeworth is a graduate of Wabash College and received his MLS from UIUC's School of Library Science in 1961. He was executive director of the ALA (1972-1985) and dean of Columbia University's School of Library Science (1985-1992). He was elected president twice by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (1991-1995, 1995-1997). Wedgeworth has received many awards, including the 1989 Joseph Lippincott Award, the 1997 Melvil Dewey Award (both from the ALA), and the 1991 Distinguished Alumnus Award from the UIUC Graduate School of Library and Information Science.

Deaths

John Maxwell, retired reference librarian at the University of California, Riverside (UCR), died on March 29. He began his career at UCR in 1956, working in the acquisitions department of the Rivera Library and later joining the reference department. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Rochester in 1933 and his MLS from the University of Southern California in 1960. He retired in 1972 after 17 years of service.

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