Margy Kramer, library director at Hocking Technical College, has been named the 1998 recipient of the Jay Ladd Distinguished Service Award. The award is given by the Academic Library Association of Ohio (ALAO) annually and recognizes a long-time ALAO member who has promoted academic libraries and librarianship, not only on his or her own campus but throughout the state, and who has provided leadership in ALAO. The award is named in memory of Jay Ladd, a former Ohio State University librarian, who was instrumental in forming ALAO. Kramer received the award in honor of her contributions to the organization and for her efforts in promoting two-year college libraries throughout Ohio.

Appointments

Samuel Demas has been appointed college librarian at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. Before joining Carleton, Demas spent 20 years heading the Collection and Preservation division at Cornell University, specializing in scientific research. His article “The Internet and Collection Development: Mainstreaming Selection of Internet Resources,” with co-writers Peter McDonald and Greg Lawrence, won the 1995 Blackwell North America Scholarship Award, as well as an award from the ALA. His immediate plans at Carleton include expanding the selection of academic journals and better serving specific departments.

Gerald “Jerry” R. Lowell has been appointed Kenneth and Dorothy Hill university librarian at the University of California (UC), Berkeley. Lowell was university librarian and associate vice chancellor of Academic Information Technology at UC San Diego. Prior to his five years at UC San Diego, Lowell was associate university librarian and director for Technical Services at Yale University Library (1986–93), and chief of Cataloging Distribution for the Library of Congress (1984–86). He also served as vice-president and managing director for North America at Faxon, and head of the Serials Division Title II-C Serials Project for the University of Washington Libraries.

James W. Marcum is the new chief librarian at the College of Staten Island, CUNY. Marcum previously served as director of Library Services at the University of Texas, Permian Basin in Odessa, and Centenary College of Louisiana in Shreveport. Marcum’s background includes serving as a tenured professor of history at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee.

Michael J. McLane has been appointed director of the Library at Salisbury State University in Salisbury, Maryland. He was most recently director of Libraries and Learning Resources at SUNY at Oswego, and previously served as director of the library at Herkimer County Community College and as associate librarian at LeMoyne College, both in New York State. He has been active in professional organizations including ALA and ACRL, and has served as president of the Boards of the Central New York Library Resources Council, the North Country (New York) Reference and Research Resources Council, and the Onondaga County Public Library Advisory Council.

Thomas Peischl has been named assistant vice chancellor for Information Services and chief information officer at the University of Wisconsin, Parkside. Peischl was most recently dean of Academic Information Services at the University of Northern Michigan. His prior positions include dean of Li-
Thomas Peischl

Vera J. Weisskopf has been appointed director of the James Earl Carter Library at Georgia Southwestern State University (GSW) in Americus. She came to GSW from Washington University in St. Louis, where she served as head of Access/Circulation Services since 1991. Weisskopf is a member of several professional organizations including ALA and the Georgia Library Association.

Connie Bakker has been appointed associate dean for Information and Instructional Services at North Seattle Community College.

Patrick Baumann is now the audiovisual and electronic media librarian at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma.

Judith Brink has joined the Harvard Business School as the collection development officer.

Shi Deng has been appointed catalog librarian at the University of Alabama Libraries, Tuscaloosa.

Sherry Durren has joined Wake Forest University as reference librarian/science bibliographer.

Betty Evans has been appointed reference librarian at Southwest Missouri State University.

Gail Heimer has been appointed electronic services librarian at the University of Alabama Libraries, Tuscaloosa.

David Hellman has been appointed reference librarian/business subject specialist at Santa Clara University in California.

Bruce Henson is now a reference librarian and information consultant at Georgia Institute of Technology.

Gary W. Ives has been appointed associate director for Information Resources at the Medical Sciences Library of Texas A&M University.

Marv Kaminsky is now reference and instruction librarian at Jackson State Community College in Tennessee.

Marilyn Kercher is the new bibliographic database support specialist at the Harvard Business School.

Elisabeth Leonard has been appointed reference librarian/business and economics bibliographer at Wake Forest University.

Leslie Madden is now reference librarian and information consultant at Georgia Institute of Technology.

Sara Martin is now systems librarian at the University of Nebraska, Omaha.

Micaela Morales has joined the Harvard Business School as the electronic teaching support specialist.

Maureen Nolan is the new Natural Sciences and Resources librarian at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Claire O'Leary is now the senior reference librarian at Boston College in Chestnut Hill.

Brenda Philip has been appointed reference librarian at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Barbara G. Precece is now director for Systems Services, Library Affairs, at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

Gregory Raschke has been appointed a reference librarian and information consultant at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Travis Ritter has been appointed library network manager at the University of Oregon in Eugene.

Ken Rodriguez has been appointed coordinator of homepage development/reference librarian at Emerson College Library in Boston.

Axel Schmetzke is now assistant professor of reference and instruction at the University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point.

Joseph Schneider has been appointed Government Documents/Public Services librarian at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas.

Susan Starr has been named associate university librarian—Sciences and director—Biomedical Library at the University of California, San Diego.

Daniel Sweeney has been appointed serials cataloger at Wake Forest University.

Kathryn Tegelaar is now the nonprint catalog librarian at Boston College, Chestnut Hill.

Ann W. Upton has been appointed archivist and special collections librarian at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Sharon Walbridge, assistant director for Technical Services at Washington State University, has assumed additional administrative responsibility for resource sharing.
John Webb has been appointed assistant director for Collections and Systems Services at Washington State University.

Daniel Zager has been appointed music librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Retirements

Ed Hill retired after 30 years of service as the Special Collections/Area Research Center librarian at the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse. Hill was instrumental in making the Special Collections/ARC into a highly regarded unit. In areas such as the photographic collection of inland river steamboats, the collection became well known, with requests coming from around the world. Hill also served as a mentor to many students who worked in his department.

Thomas L. Kilpatrick, access services librarian at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale (SIUC), has retired after 34 years of service. Kilpatrick joined the SIUC Library as assistant education and psychology librarian in 1964. In 1972 he was appointed head of the Interlibrary Loan Department and he became head of Access Services in 1992. He served as president of the Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries (1991–92); he served for three years on the Illinois Library Association Executive Board; served on the Interlibrary Loan Committee of ALA’s Reference and Adult Services Division (1988–92) and chaired the subcommittee to review the National Interlibrary Loan Code (1990–94). His most recent publication is Illinois! Illinois! An Annotated Bibliography of Fiction: A Twenty Year Supplement, 1976–1996. In 1995 Kilpatrick received the Library Affairs Outstanding Faculty Member Award, and in 1998 he was named the Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year at the annual conference of the Illinois Library Association.

Sue Matson, assistant cataloging librarian at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, has retired after 20 years of service. She made significant contributions to the Illinois Library Computer Systems Organization (ILCSO) and its member libraries through her membership and leadership on various catalog maintenance committees and substantial training activities. She has conducted many training workshops and focused her efforts on creating training programs for the new DRA system. She served as the library liaison to the linguistics, foreign languages, and speech communications departments. She received the 1998 Library Affairs Outstanding Faculty Member Award.

Deaths

Robert L. Keel, retired circulation and assistant interlibrary loan librarian at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, died on October 12, 1998, in Huntsville, Alabama.

Judith D. Webster, longtime head of Acquisitions and Processing at the University of Tennessee (UT), Knoxville, died of cancer at her home December 14, 1998. Webster enjoyed a national reputation in her specialty of acquisition issues and practices within academic librarianship and had attained the rank of tenured professor. Webster began her career at UT as a nonprofessional employee in 1969 and was appointed as a member of the faculty in 1978, after completing an MLS. She prompted many initiatives during her career, including automation of the library processes for purchasing materials and accounting for them.

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