Susan Brynteson, May Morris director of libraries at the University of Delaware, has been elected to a lifetime membership in the Corporation of Yaddo. Founded in 1900 by Katrina and Spencer Trask as a place to sustain artists and promote their work to new audiences, Yaddo is governed by 91 members, from which group it draws its Board of Directors. Brynteson has been chief librarian at the University of Delaware since 1980. Volunteering her time for many years as Yaddo’s librarian and special advisor, Brynteson was elected as a member of the Corporation of Yaddo in 1995 and to the Yaddo Board of Directors in 1998. Under her care, Yaddo’s extensive archives of 20th-century literary and artistic correspondence, objects, manuscripts, sound recordings, and works of art were donated, through a major gift of the Morris and Alma Schapiro Fund, to the New York Public Library, where they have been cataloged and are being organized for a major exhibition to take place in 2008.

Marisa L. Conte, Wayne State Library and Information Science (LIS) Program graduate, was selected by the National Library of Medicine (NLM) as an associate fellow. The program is a one-year postgraduate training fellowship at the NLM in Bethesda, Maryland, with an optional second year program component. The program is designed to prepare librarians for future leadership roles in health sciences libraries and in health services research. The associate fellows are introduced to technologies and skills used in managing information at a national library.

L. Susan (Suzi) Hayes, director of the Parkland Library in Parkland, Florida, has been selected as the Wayne State University Library and Information Science Program’s 2006 Distinguished Alumna of the Year. Over the years she has served as a project manager at Nova Southeastern University, associate director for automation at the Broward County Library, and as a librarian at Encore Computer Corporation, all in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Hayes has been active in the Special Libraries Association (SLA), serving as SLA president from 1998 to 1999, Florida chapter president, and as chair and secretary of several divisions. She is a member of Toastmasters International and the Information Futures Institute and is an adjunct faculty member in the School of Library and Information Science at the University of Florida.

Kathryn P. Johnson, Wayne State University Library and Information Science Program graduate student, was named to participate in the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce. Funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and ARL member libraries, the Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce seeks to attract students from underrepresented groups to careers in academic and research libraries. The Initiative consists of three components over a two-year timeframe: a stipend award of up to $10,000; an ongoing mentoring relationship; and leadership development training held in conjunction with ALA’s Midwinter Meeting. Johnson is a member of the IMLS “Recruiting and Educating Librarians for the 21st Century” grant cohort at Wayne State, which is targeted to recruit and train librarians in the field of “digital librarianship.”

Connie Capers Thorson, professor emerita at the University of New Mexico, has recently returned from lecturing as a Fulbright Scholar at the Belarusian State University of Culture in Minsk, Belarus. Thorson lectured on library management and library
literacy as well as on some specific aspects of American culture—literature and culture of the American southwest, higher education in American culture, and American and English language usage.

**Appointments**

Ewa Barczyk has been named director of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) Libraries, having previously served as interim director for three years. Since arriving at UWM Libraries in 1985, she has held several positions, including associate director, assistant director both for collection management and for public services, and head of interlibrary loan. Before that, she worked as adult reference librarian at the Shorewood (WI) Public Library (1983–85), and in the libraries of Yale University (1978–83). Barczyk’s professional affiliations include ACRL, Wisconsin Library Association, Wisconsin Association of Academic Libraries, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership, and Polish Institute of Arts and Science.

Shannon Van Kirk has been named director of the library at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Oregon.

Brooke Billman has been appointed education and outreach librarian at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa Libraries.

Larry Boyer has been named director of academic library services at East Carolina University.

Jeremy Brett has joined the archives staff at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Libraries as assistant university archivist (records manager).

Tom Britnacher has been appointed the new GIS specialist in the American Geographical Society Library at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Libraries.

Rachel Garza Carreón has been appointed recruitment and outreach librarian, human resources, at the University of Iowa—Iowa City.

Michael S. Crispin has been appointed sound recordings librarian at the University of Washington-Seattle’s Music Library and Music Learning Center.

Shevon Desai is now social sciences/humanities librarian at the University of Michigan.

Ana Dubnjakovic has been appointed music librarian at University of Louisville’s Dwight Anderson Music Library.

Ann Dutton Ewbank has joined Fletcher Library at Arizona State University’s West campus as liaison librarian to the College of Teacher Education and Leadership.

Ralph B. Gabbard has been appointed director of public programs at Fletcher Library on the West campus of Arizona State University.

Janet Hack has been appointed reference librarian at the University of Maryland—Baltimore County.

Rachel I. Howard has been appointed digital initiatives librarian at the University of Louisville Libraries.

Jonathan Koffel has been appointed education and outreach librarian at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa Libraries.

Diane Kolosionek has been appointed reference and instruction librarian at Cleveland State University Library.

Kimberly Kraus has been named administrative services librarian at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

Lynn D. Lampert is now chair of the reference and instructional services department at California State University-Northridge.

Allison P. Leaming joined Fletcher Library at Arizona State University’s West campus.
Sara Marrin has joined the L. Douglas Wilder Library at Virginia Union University as catalog librarian.

Robert H. McDonald has been named project manager for the Chronopolis Project at the San Diego Supercomputer Center.

Joyce Miller, reference and instruction librarian at Adirondack Community College, has been promoted to professor.

Edward Miner, international studies bibliographer, has been appointed director of the African Studies Program at the University of Iowa-Iowa City.

Paul Newman has been named intellectual property rights specialist at the University of Michigan.

Lisa Peet joined the staff of the Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Columbia University as a library specialist I.

Kenneth Raskin joined the acquisitions accounting staff as a library specialist II at Columbia University.

Christopher Rennie is now digital conversion production manager at the University of Michigan.

Latisha M. Reynolds has been appointed reference librarian in the University of Louisville Libraries.

Robert A. Smith has been appointed assistant head of systems at the Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering and Technology.

Michael A. Thornton has been appointed to a reference/media services residency position in the University of Louisville Libraries.

Linda Walton has been appointed associate university librarian/director, Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa-Iowa City.

Eric E. Ward has been named marketing coordinator/reference librarian at the Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering and Technology.

LaTanya West has been appointed circulation systems librarian at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

Mary White has been appointed education and outreach librarian at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa Libraries.

Zhongqin Yang has been appointed assistant serials and electronic resources librarian at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

### Retirements

Rachel Doggett, curator, has retired from the Folger Shakespeare Library after nearly 40 years of service. Doggett began working at the Folger in 1967 as an acquisitions assistant and was appointed the Andrew W. Mellon curator of books and exhibitions in 1990. For the next 16 years, she shaped an exhibition program characterized by careful research, scholarly exhibition text, respect for the collection, and award-winning catalogs. Ten Folger exhibition catalogs have won fifteen awards since 1997, with modest resources and minimum staffing. Doggett made her mark with her first major exhibition—New World of Wonders—which in 1992 commemorated the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus’s arrival in America—and, will conclude her work at the library in preparation for another anniversary exhibition, “Shakespeare in American Life,” which will celebrate the Folger’s 75th year.

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