Diane d’Almeida received a Fulbright Senior Specialists scholarship to spend six weeks in a library in an Arab country. She is visiting the Mohammad VI library at the Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco, to learn more about the Arab world, literature, and language. She will advise the director of the library, as well as give talks at various other libraries in Morocco.

Marianne I. Gaunt, university librarian at Rutgers University, was elected vice president/president elect of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL). Under Gaunt’s leadership, the Rutgers University Libraries have played a leading role in revising the university’s copyright policies. Gaunt cochaired the university-wide copyright policy review committee, which drafted a policy statement that was approved unanimously by the University Senate in October 2005. Gaunt is the chair of ARL’s Working Group on Fair Use and previously chaired the Scholarly Communication Committee. She is the founding chair of VALE (Virtual Academic Library Environment of New Jersey) and is currently a member of the VALE executive committee. She was president of the board of trustees of PALCI (Pennsylvania Academic Library Consortium, Inc.) and currently serves as a member of the board of trustees of PALINET, a membership organization of libraries, information centers, museums, archives, and other organizations throughout Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. ARL presidents are elected to one-year terms.

Michele Reutty, library director of the Free Public Library in Oakland, New Jersey, has received the 2006 Robert B. Downs Intellectual Freedom Award given by the faculty of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign’s Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS) for her commitment to upholding privacy laws. In May 2006, area police asked Reutty, then library director at the Hasbrouck Heights Public Library in Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey, to supply library circulation records to aid in an investigation. Complying with state statutes, Reutty told police she couldn’t supply the records without a subpoena. After they returned with one, she provided the information as requested. Soon after, however, local officials expressed their shock and disappointment, accusing Reutty of putting the library’s interests ahead of a police investigation. Reutty faced disciplinary action from the library’s board, in part because she consulted a lawyer who was familiar with the statutes regarding state libraries and not the borough lawyer as is required by borough law. After months of disagreement, Reutty resigned on October 2, 2006.

Appointments

John J. Burke has been appointed director of the Gardner-Harvey Library on the Middletown regional campus of Miami University.

Steven J. Bell has been appointed associate university librarian for research and instructional services at Temple University Libraries.

Martha L. Brogan is now associate university librarian for collection development and management at the University of Pennsylvania Library.

Diane Butler is now assistant university librarian for information technology at Rice University’s Fondren Library.
John Chenault has been appointed reference librarian of the Kornhauser Health Sciences Library at the University of Louisville.

Mary L. Chute has been appointed to a second terms as deputy director for library services at the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Leah McGinnis Dunn is now director of undergraduate and branch libraries at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Carol Elsen is now collection manager and reference librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Rebecca Graham has accepted the position of associate librarian of Harvard College for Administrative Services, effective July 1.

Margaret Adams Groesbeck has been promoted to head of public services at Amherst College.

Kelly Hafermann has joined the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Library as the education reference and instruction librarian.

Terri Holtze is now head of Web Services for the University of Louisville Libraries.

Kathy Magarrell has been appointed head of reference and library instruction at the University of Iowa Libraries in Iowa City.

Patrick Mullin is now associate university librarian for technical services and systems at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Kyle Naff is the business and distance education reference and instruction librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Theresa Nawalaniec has been appointed sciences and engineering librarian at Cleveland State University Library.

Lisa Norberg has been appointed director of public services at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Anne Ostendarp has been appointed project archivist at Amherst College.

Sue L. Raymond has been appointed hospital librarian for the University of Louisville Libraries.

Edward J. Rock has been appointed languages and general education librarian for the R. M. Cooper Library at Clemson University.

Corey Seeman has been named director of the Kresge Business Administration Library at the Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan.

Diane Strauss is now associate university librarian for collections services at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Retirements

Vickey Topp, reference and instruction librarian, has retired from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Duane E. Webster has announced that he will retire from his position as executive director of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) no later than May 2008. By announcing his retirement plans now, Webster provides the ARL board of directors with ample time for a search and a seamless transition of leadership. Webster has led ARL for two decades, following his appointment
in 1988 as interim executive director and then in 1989 as executive director. Under Webster’s leadership, ARL emerged as a significant agent for change in the world of research libraries and in scholarly communication. Webster also provided the energy and resourcefulness required to reposition the ARL agenda twice. He first led ARL through a strategic planning process in 1988, which called for a much-expanded agenda for the Association, engaging ten key challenges facing the future development of research libraries. The second strategic planning process through which Webster led ARL was the 2004 call for a refocusing of association efforts on three strategic directions: scholarly communication; public policies affecting research libraries; and the role of research libraries in research, teaching, and learning.

Mickey Zemon, executive director of the Emerson College Library since 1983, will retire April 2007. She was awarded emeritus status last year, and she received the Friend of the Faculty award in 2005 and the Alumni Association award in 1996. Zemon was active in the ACRL College Library Section, serving as chair (2000–01), member-at-large (1998–2000), secretary (1997–98), and chair of the committee on research for college librarians (1993–96). She was also active in the Boston library community, serving two terms on the NELINET Board of Directors (2000–06) and as chair of the Boston Regional Library System Advisory Board (2004–05), chair of the Fenway Library Consortium (1996–98), and president of Fenway Libraries Online (1992–93). She authored 20 articles in the library literature (1982–2005) and served on nine NEASC reaccreditation teams (1992–2004), the editorial board of College and Undergraduate Libraries (2000–04), the ACRL New Publications Advisory Board (1998–2002), and the ACRL CLIP Notes Publication Committee (1997–99). At Emerson, Zemon was cochair of the Emerson College Reaccreditation and Self-Study (2001–02), chair of the Search Committee for the Dean of the School of the Arts (1997), and chair of the college’s Strategic Planning Committee (1992–93). Zemon was librarian at Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science (1981–83).

Deaths

Margaret Ann Otto, 69, librarian of Dartmouth College, has died. Otto became the first woman to head the library in 1979 and the library made a number of advances under her leadership, including establishing a strong customer service ethic among the staff and creating one of the first online library catalogs in the country. A number of major library building projects were completed during her tenure, and she is remembered for the growth of collection and access tools at Dartmouth. Prior to joining Dartmouth, Otto was assistant science librarian and later associate director of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Libraries (1964–79). She was a longtime member of ALA, having served on many committees. She also served on the Executive Board of the Association of Research Libraries Group, was a member of the Board of Governors for the Research Libraries, and served on a number of important working groups and committees for that organization. ("Internet Reviews" continued from page 109)

There is a wealth of information here, and Alexander Street Press has done a good job of assigning subject terms and providing a user-friendly interface. Users looking for first-person primary resources will find this a valuable resource.—Gene Hyde, Radford University, wehyde@radford.edu

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