Appointments

Barbara J. (Barb) Mann is now head librarian at Georgia Regents University’s Reese Library.

Cara Barker has accepted the faculty position of research and instruction/subject liaison librarian at Western Carolina University Library.

Maoria J. Kirker is now instructional services and assessment librarian in the Gateway Library at the George Mason University Libraries.

Tricia Mackenzie has been named head of Resource Description and Metadata Services in the Technical Services Group at the George Mason University Libraries.

George D. Oberle III has been appointed history librarian in the Research Services Department at the George Mason University Libraries.

Allison Ringness has been appointed digital initiatives librarian at Kansas State University Libraries in Manhattan, Kansas.

Amy L. Sullivan has been appointed preservation librarian at the George Mason University Libraries.

Shannon K. Supple has joined the University of California-Berkeley Libraries as the head of Reference and Research Services for the Bancroft Library.

John W. Warren has been appointed to head of Mason Publishing Group at the George Mason University Libraries.

Retirements

Joan Giesecke has retired from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL). For the past two year she has served as special assistant to the chancellor and the dean emeritus at UNL, where she coordinated campus-wide accreditation efforts. Giesecke joined UNL in 1987 and was dean of libraries from 1996 to 2012. Prior to this, she was the associate dean. Giesecke has held positions at George Mason University and Prince George’s County Memorial Library System in Hyattsville, Maryland. Giesecke’s research interests include accreditation, academic integrity, leadership and management skills, and she published extensively in these areas. During her time as dean, she oversaw the $12.6 million renovation of the main library, oversaw the addition of a high-density storage facility on campus, and promoted the establishment of the institutional repository. The libraries endowment tripled under her leadership. She has held a variety of professional positions and continues to serve on the ALA Committee on Accreditation.

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