

Rajwant S. Chilana, associate professor of library administration and South Asian Studies at the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign, has been honored with a fellowship by the Society for Information Science, India (sis-india.net.rms.com) for his outstanding contributions to the development of library and information science. During the last 30 years, Chilana has served as librarian and faculty member for university and public libraries in Canada, India, and the United States. He is actively involved in various national and international organizations, including ACRL's Asian, African, and Middle Eastern Section. He has published extensively, including five books, 35 research papers, and more than 25 book reviews.

Among the new members elected to the Board of the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) are: **Mark Dimunation**, assistant director for special collections and rare book and special collections division chief, Library of Congress and **Wendy Pradt Lougee**, university librarian, University of Minnesota. **Deanna B. Marcum** has retired from the Board after serving CLIR as its former president and, since her appointment to the Library of Congress in 2003, as a Board member.

The directors of the Association of Research Libraries adopted a resolution honoring the contributions of former SPARC Executive Director **Rick Johnson**. Johnson resigned as executive director of SPARC, effective July 1, after seven years of service. He is the founding president and chief operating officer of BioOne, an innovative aggregation of high-impact bioscience research journals.

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Eleanor Mitchell, head of the UCLA College Library, has been named Librarian of the Year by the Librarians Association of the University of California, Los Angeles. Mitchell has been head of the College Library, which is UCLA's main undergraduate library, since 1995. One of her particular areas of emphasis has been identifying and meeting the unique information and research needs of undergraduate students. To this end, she has supervised the implementation of electronic reserves; expanded means of reference assistance, including e-mail, telephone and real-time, Web-based chat; and guided the library's information literacy efforts from an initiative launched in 2001 to a full-fledged, ongoing program. Under her leadership, the program conducted studies to assess the information-seeking abilities of UCLA undergraduate students and held focus groups with faculty to learn their views about students' needs in this area.

James A. Nelson, state librarian and commissioner of the Kentucky department for libraries and archives, has been elected SOLINET Board chair for 2005–06. Nelson has been a member of the Board since 2002 and served as secretary in 2003; he has also served on SOLINET's Bylaws and Governance Committee. **Carol Pitts Diedrichs**, dean of libraries at the University of Kentucky, and **William Miller**, director of libraries at Florida Atlantic University, were elected to the SOLINET Board of Directors. **Barbara Dewey**, dean of libraries at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, and **John Ulmschneider**, university librarian at Virginia Commonwealth University, were elected as SOLINET delegates to OCLC Members Council.

Sarah Shreeves, visiting assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and project coordinator for the IDEALS (Illinois Digital Environment for Access to Learn-

ing and Scholarship) Institutional Repository initiative, a multiyear effort to preserve and provide access to the digital scholarship of faculty and students, has been appointed to a three-year term on the program planning committee for the semi-annual Forum Programs of the Digital Library Federation (DLF). DLF is a consortium of libraries and related agencies that are pioneering the use of electronic-information technologies to extend collections and services. The Forums, attended by librarians and technologists from the 30 plus DLF institutions, provide an opportunity for attendees to share and discuss cutting-edge digital library activities and issues.

Appointments

Jane Burke has been appointed vice president of ProQuest Information and Learning and general manager of Serials Solutions, a Seattle-based business acquired by the company in July 2004. Prior to joining ProQuest, Burke co-founded and served as president/CEO of Endeavor Information Systems until its sale to Reed Elsevier. Under her direction, the information retrieval company grew to \$25 million in sales. She now serves on the Board of Governors for the Northwestern University Library and on the Board of Directors for the Dominican University Graduate School of Library and Information Science.

Frank D'Andraia has been named dean and director of the university libraries at the University of Albany. D'Andraia had been dean of library services at the University of Montana-Missoula since January 2000. He previously held positions at other libraries, including the University of North Dakota, the University of California-Riverside, and the University of Louisiana-Lafayette. He is a member of ACRL and has contributed to such publications as the *Journal of Library Administration* and *Resource Sharing and Information Networks*.

Joyce Garnett was reappointed university librarian at the University of Western Ontario (UWO). Garnett has been in the position since 1998. Garnett is active in many professional associations, including membership on the Board of the Directors of the Association of Research Libraries. She is also currently serving as president of the Canadian Association of Research Libraries, treasurer of the Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL), and is working with OCUL's Scholars Portal project. Before joining the UWO, Garnett was executive director of University Advancement, associate librarian with tenure, and director of the library at Laurentian University. Prior to employment at Laurentian, she was associate librarian at McGill University.

Elsie Pritchard has been named new dean of library services at the Camden-Carroll Library at Morehead State University. Prior to this position she was assistant director of libraries for technical services and automation. She currently serves on the board of the Kentucky Library Association and is also a member of ALA, ALCTS, the Kentucky SOLINET Users Group, and the Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians.

Gerald "Jay" Schafer has been named the permanent director of libraries at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst (UMA), having served as interim director since January 2004. Schafer joined the UMA library system in 2000, serving as coordinator of collection development. In 2001, he worked with the library director and various budget and acquisitions officials to respond to budget cutbacks. In 2002, he was promoted to associate director for content acquisition and access. Prior to joining UM, Schafer was director of library and information services at the Hatch Library at Bay Path College in Longmeadow, Massachusetts (1997–2000) and assistant director for research services at Auraria Library at the University of Colorado-Denver (1984–97).



Stephen R. Shorb

Stephen R. Shorb is now dean of the University of Nebraska-Omaha Library. Shorb was previously associate director at University of Florida and has served as director at the American University of Sharjah and the Higher Colleges of Technology, both in the United Arab Emirates.

Malisa Anderson has been appointed business librarian for the Goizueta Business Library at Emory University.

Joanne Archer is now project archivist for the University of Maryland Libraries.

Gary Atwood has joined the staff of Babson Library at Springfield College as reference librarian.

Alan R. Bailey has been appointed curriculum specialist librarian at East Carolina University.

Avril Cunningham has been appointed library instruction coordinator in the Cal Poly Pomona University Library.

Nancy Cunningham has joined the University of South Florida as the associate director of reference and instruction for the Tampa Library.

Jonathan Darby is now reference librarian/government documents coordinator in the Gorgas Information Center at the University of Alabama.

Emily B. Gore has been appointed systems librarian for East Carolina University.

Geoff Greenberg has been appointed technical services/reference librarian for the Roosevelt University Library (downtown campus).

Nora Hillyer is now information science, technology and engineering/reference librarian at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Yolanda Hood has been named assistant professor of library science and reference librarian at Valdosta State University.

Betsy L. Humphreys is now deputy director of the National Library of Medicine.

Jeff Kosokoff has joined Simmons Library as collection development librarian.

Harry Lull is now associate dean of public services for Mississippi State University.

Constance Mayer has been appointed head of the Michelle Smith Performing Arts Library at the University of Maryland-College Park.

Nara L. Newcomer is now assistant music librarian for the Music Library at East Carolina University.

Bill Opperman is the new physics/astronomy librarian in the Science and Engineering Library at Ohio State University.

Danette Pachtner has been appointed to the position of librarian for film, video, and digital media in the Duke University Libraries.

Susan E. Parker is now deputy university librarian at the University California-Los Angeles Library.

Carmelita Pickett has been appointed African American Studies Librarian and Assistant Curator for the General Libraries of Emory University.

Apryl Price has been appointed instructor of library science and reference librarian at Valdosta State University.

Mark Sanders is the new student outreach reference librarian at East Carolina University.

Susan Watstein is now associate university librarian for research and instructional services at the University California-Los Angeles Library.

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Gwen L. Williams has been named reference librarian at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Deaths

Thelma Tate, coordinator of global outreach services and liaison for persons with disabilities for the Rutgers University Libraries, has died. Tate worked as a reference librarian in the Chicago public libraries before accepting a position at Rutgers University's Douglass Library in 1970. At various points Tate served as the library's liaison to the American studies, African studies, classics, education, English, history, psychology, religion, romance languages, sociology, and speech departments. She served as coordinator of reference services at the Douglass Library for many years. Tate was very active in national and international library organizations, serving as chair of ALA's Library Instruction Round Table and as chair of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) Round Table on Continuing Professional Education. As a frequent invited exhibitor at ALA's Annual Diversity Fair, she most recently showcased the Rutgers University Libraries/SCILS resident/internship position. Tate was internationally recognized as the leading expert on the many uses of mobile libraries in developing countries. She compiled and edited well-acclaimed bibliographies on mobile libraries across the globe and personally traveled to assess the effectiveness of camel-born mobile libraries in Kenya and donkey-driven library carts in Zimbabwe. In recognition of her long, varied, and distinguished service to Rutgers University, and to the international field of librarianship, Tate was awarded the Rutgers University Human Dignity Award in April 2002.

Pamela L. Wonsek, 55, died May 3 after a brief illness. She was deputy chief librarian at the Hunter College Libraries, City University of New York. She joined the Hunter Li-

brary faculty in 1987 and served in a variety of positions until her appointment as deputy chief librarian in 1998. Prior to joining Hunter, Wonsek worked at Mercy College Libraries (1980-87), the University of Missouri-St. Louis (1978-79), and Harvard University (1977-78). *zc*

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practical consumer information. The only potential drawback is that there seems to be more information for the researcher than for other readers. Many consumers might be intimidated by the amount of specialized information within the site.

The Web site is an extremely valuable resource for the researcher who needs to stay current on geriatric research and funding opportunities.

The NIA Web site is highly recommended for the medical researcher, health care professional, and fearless consumer.—*Colleen Lougen, Mount Saint Mary College, lougen@msmc.edu zc*

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