

Nancy Davenport, director of acquisitions at the Library of Congress, has been appointed president of the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). Davenport has served for 26 years in the Library of Congress. Before her current position, she was head of the Congressional Research Service (CRS) Inquiry Section, CRS coordinator of member and committee relations, and director of special programs. From 1990 to 1997, she directed a training program for librarians in the new democratic states of Central and Eastern Europe that was sponsored by Congress and carried out by the Library of Congress. She is active in professional library associations including ALA, LAMA, IFLA, the Federal Librarians Roundtable, and the Library of Congress Professional Association.

J. Stephen Downie, assistant professor at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS) at the University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, has been named 2004-05 GSLIS Centennial Scholar.

Louise S. Robbins, director of the University of Wisconsin-Madison's School of Library and Information Studies, won the first Eliza Atkins Gleason Award for the best book in library history published between 2000 and 2003 for *The dismissal of Miss Ruth Brown: Civil rights, censorship, and the American library* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2000). The book tells the story of the 1950 dismissal of Brown, whose 30-year career at the Bartlesville, Oklahoma, Public Library ended amid charges of her circulating subversive materials. In actuality, Brown's offense was working toward racial equality in Bartlesville, including going with two African American teachers to a local drugstore with a restaurant and asking to be served.

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Ethelene Whitmire, assistant professor of the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, has been awarded a Ford Foundation postdoctoral fellowship for the 2004-05 academic year. Whitmire will spend a year at UCLA studying the use of the academic library as a "third place" (after home and classroom) by some African American and Latino undergraduates.

Appointments

Christina D. Baum is now dean of library services at Lamar University. Prior to this appointment, she was director of library services at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls for 14 years; dean of Learning Resources at State University of New York, Orange County Community College; and director



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of the library at the University of Kentucky, Maysville Community College.

Nicole Covone has been appointed head librarian at Johnson & Wales University's Florida campus. Her previous position was as reference librarian at Johnson & Wales.

David S. Ferriero is now Andrew W. Mellon director and chief executive of the Research Libraries at the New York Public Library. Prior to this appointment, Ferriero was the Rita DiGiullonardo Holloway university librarian and vice provost for library affairs at Duke University. Ferriero had served 31 years in the MIT Libraries before joining Duke, starting as a shelver in the Humanities Library and later being appointed associate director for public services and acting codirector. Ferriero spearheaded the Teaching Technology to Teachers program in which staff from

the Duke Libraries mentored 100 teachers in 23 Durham public schools. He is a member of the Council on Library and Information Resources/American Association of Publishers Joint Working Group on Scholarly Communication, and is on the editorial advisory board of Early English Books Online. He is also on the Board of Directors for the Center for Research Libraries and the Research Libraries Group.

Doug Kaylor has been named director of the Learning Resources Center at Sinclair Community College.



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Kaylor was head of reference and instruction at Wright State University (WSU) before this appointment, where he was awarded the President's Award for Excellence in Innovation in 2001. He previously worked in the Fordham Health Science Library at WSU, Kettering Medical Center, Wright-Patterson AFB Technical Library, Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, and at the Hodges Library at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. From 1999 to 2001, Kaylor was chair of the OhioLINK User Services Committee. He is past chair of the Ohio Council for Library and Information Services and is a member of ALA and the Academic Library Association of Ohio.

Loretta Parham has been appointed director/chief executive officer of the Woodruff Library at the Atlanta University Center. Parham had served as the university librarian and director of the Harvey Library at Hampton University in Virginia since 1998. She has held a number of positions of increasing responsibility in library services, higher education, and nonprofit organizations. Her experience includes serving as deputy director of the Carnegie Library in Pittsburgh, district chief of the Chicago Public Library (CPL), and related positions at CPL for more than 14 years, where she managed the services and personnel for 20 branch agencies. Parham has served as chair for several professional boards and committees, including the Board of Direc-

tors of SOLINET, chair and founder of the Historically Black College and University Library Alliance, and a member of the Appalachian College Association Central Library Council.

Alberta Comer has been named associate dean of the library at Indiana State University.

Christopher Cox has been appointed assistant director at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's McIntyre Library.

Evelyn Frangakis has been appointed the Aaron and Clara Greenhut Rabinowitz chief librarian for preservation in the research libraries of the New York Public Library.

Clayton Garthwait has been named access services librarian at West Chester University.

Suzanne Gray has been appointed library Web services manager at the University of Michigan.

Ann Hallyburton has been appointed reference librarian/health sciences liaison at Western Carolina University's Hunter Library.

Martha Higgins has been hired as social sciences reference librarian at Old Dominion University.

Eloise R. Hitchcock has been named assistant director for personnel and planning of Hunter Library at Western Carolina University.

Bruce Johnston is now access services librarian at Duquesne University's Gumberg Library.

Beth Kerr is now theater/dance librarian for the Fine Arts Library at the University of Texas-Austin.

Molly Susan Mathias has been appointed instruction coordinator for the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Alan Michelson is now head of the Architecture-Urban Planning Library at the University of Washington-Seattle.

Stephanie Nelson has been named electronic resources coordinator at the University of Hawaii, Kapi'olani College.

Patricia Newland has been appointed technical services librarian at West Chester University Library.

June L. Power is now access services/reference librarian at the University of North Carolina-Pembroke.

Marion T. Reid, dean of library services at California State University-San Marcos, has been named interim vice president for external affairs.

Kevin Roddy has been named information literacy librarian at the University of Hawaii, Kapi'olani College.

Michele Shular has been named geology/geography librarian in the Arts and Sciences Libraries of the University of Buffalo-SUNY.

Mari Suzuki has been appointed Japanese language materials librarian at the University of Michigan.

Susan Weber is now the reference and interlibrary loan librarian at the University of Hawaii, Kapi'olani College.

Rebecca Wojahn is now education reference librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's McIntyre Library.

Retirements

Willis E. Bridegam, librarian of Amherst College, has retired after nearly three decades of service. Prior to joining Amherst, Bridegam served for three years as director of libraries at the State University of New York-Binghamton. Before that, he was the associate director of libraries at the University of Rochester Libraries and medical librarian of the Edward G. Miner Library at the University of Rochester School of Medicine. Bridegam has served on a variety of boards and committees, including chairing the ACRL committee that established national standards for college libraries in 2000, serving on the ACRL Outcomes Assessment Task Forces, and chairing the ACRL College Section's Nominating Committee. He has served on the editorial boards of *Choice* and *College and Research Libraries* and has served in leadership roles for the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) and as a founding member of the Oberlin Group, a consortium of library directors of 75 selective liberal arts colleges.

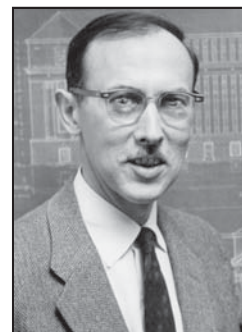
Mary Ruth Townsend, rare book librarian at the University of Michigan (UM), has retired. In 1973, she began her career at UM as a student assistant at the Public Health

Library. After receiving her AMLS, she was appointed assistant librarian, continuing to advance as associate librarian, head, and senior associate librarian. In 1990, Townsend accepted the position of head of the Information and Library Studies Library, where she worked until 2000. She then accepted the position of rare book librarian in the Taubman Medical Library. She was active in professional associations, including the Public Health/Health Administration Section of the Medical Library Association, the Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association, and the South Central Michigan Health Sciences Library Association.

Deaths

Howard Rovelstad, retired director of libraries at the University of Maryland (UM), has died of congestive heart

disease. He joined UM in 1940, and except for his service as first lieutenant in the U.S. Army (1943-46), he was with the university until his retirement on June 30, 1975. He was first the acquisitions librarian, then the reference and loan librarian, and re-



turned after his Army years as director of libraries. He also served as a member of the ALA Council. ■

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