Linda Solow Blotner, head of the Allen Library at the University of Hartford, is the new editor of *Notes*, the Music Library Association's quarterly journal.

Jo Burgess, assistant librarian and head of Conservation Services at Indiana University in Bloomington, and Karen Rege, musicologist and librarian at the Delaware College of Art and Design, were awarded the 2000 Dena Epstein Award for Archival and Library Research in American Music.

The following were elected the Board of Music Library Association: James P. Cassaro (head of the Theodore M. Finney Music Library at the University of Pittsburgh) is vice president/president elect; Lynn Gullickson (music technical services librarian at Northwestern University) is recording secretary; and Allie Wise Goudy (music librarian at Western Illinois University), Leslie Troutman (music user services coordinator at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), and Philip R. Vandermeer (music librarian at the University of Maryland) are new membersat-large.

Steven Herb, head of Pennsylvania State's Education and Behavioral Sciences Library since 1992, has been named this year's Most Innovative Teacher by the Schreyer Institute for Innovation in Learning and the Undergraduate Student Government Academic Assembly. Herb was nominated for his course "Stories and Storytelling: How Hu-



Steven Herb

mans Become People." He coauthored *The Nittany Lion: An Illustrated Tale*, a history of the Penn State mascot. Herb was recently named executive director of the Pennsylvania Center for the Book. He has been active in the Association for Library Service to Children,

serving as president (1996–97), and ALA's Intellectual Freedom Committee (chair since 1997). Herb also serves on the Board of Directors of the Freedom to Read Foundation.

Althea H. Jenkins, executive director of ACRL since 1991, has been awarded Florida State University's School of Information Studies 2000 Distinguished Alumni award. Since assuming the top leadership position at ACRL,

the association's programs have expanded to include information literacy; a stronger emphasis has been placed on continuous learning for academic librarians; and institutes covering timely topics have been developed. The national conference programs have expanded and Web-based pro-



Althea Jenkins

gramming is on the horizon. Jenkins' career in librarianship includes positions as director of Library Services at the University of South Florida, Sarasota/New College Campus; library director at Miami-Dade Community College-Wolfson and Kendall campuses; and school librarian for Indian River County in Vero Beach, Florida. Jenkins will be honored at the Florida State's Annual Convocation and Homecoming ceremony on October 14, 2000.

Hannelore B. Rader, university librarian at the University of Louisville, received the Literati 2000 Award for Excellence for her Outstanding Paper "The Learning Environment—Then, Now and, Later: 30 Years of Teaching Information Skills," published in Reference Services Review. MCB University

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Hannelore Rader

Press, a British publisher of more than 150 scholarly journals covering such diverse topics as accounting, banking, business, education, engineering, logistics, marketing, management, science and technology, honored the outstanding article in each

journal on April 14, 2000, in London, England, by presenting 95 authors with a special award.

Jeanette C. Smith of New Mexico State University (NMSU) has been awarded the first Edmund Lester Pearson Library Humor Award from the Molesworth Institute. She received the award—which consists of a miscellaneous assortment of ephemera published by the Molesworth Institute and a contribution to a library development fund at the NMSU Library—for her article "One Book Over the Line," which appeared in the April 1999 issue of *Citations*—the newsletter of the NMSU Library.

G. Dale Vargason Jr. and **John M. Bewley** are winners of this year's Walter Gerboth Award, offered annually to members of the Music Library Association, in their first five years of their professional library careers, to assist research-in-progress in music or music librarianship.

Appointments

Joseph J. Branin is now director of libraries at Ohio State University in Columbus. He was dean and director of University Libraries at SUNY Stony Brook from 1996 to 1999. From 1986 to 1996, he served as associate university librarian for collections and services at the University of Minnesota. Prior to that position, he served as humanities librarian at the University of Georgia Libraries and branch librarian at Kent State University. Branin is an active member of several professional organizations, including ACRL. He is a book re-

viewer, speaker, consultant, and he writes about information science related topics in professional journals.

Paul McCarthy has been appointed director of libraries and information technology at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. McCarthy joined WLN as president and CEO in 1995. In January 1999, following the merger of WLN and OCLC, he was named executive director of OCLC/WLN Pacific Northwest Service Center. Before joining WLN he spent 30 years at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, including seven years as director of libraries. In this new position, McCarthy will be responsible for both libraries and campus computing.

Ruth Parlin has been appointed director of Library Services for Green Mountain College in Poultney, Vermont. Parlin served

as reference librarian and head of reference services at Green Mountain before being named interim director in July 1999. Her previous experience includes service as head of reference at the University of Miami Law School library (1992–94), reference/electronic



Ruth Parlin

services librarian at the University of Arkansas Law School library (1991–92), and reference librarian at New England School of Law library (1988–90). She was a member of the American Association of Law Libraries (1988–94) and is a member of ACRL and ALA, serving on the Social Responsibilities Round Table.

Louis A. Rachow, library director of the International Theatre Institute of the United States since 1988, continues to hold this position upon the November 1999 consolidation of the Institute with the Theatre Communications Group in New York.

Wilson M. "Bil" Stahl has been named head librarian at Western Carolina University, effective August 1. Stahl is currently university director of information technology at University of North Carolina (UNC)-Charlotte, and also has been serving as act-



ing associate vice chancellor for library and information services since July 1999. He previously worked at UNC-Charlotte as director of information technology planning. and held a special assignment of develop-Wilson M. "Bil" Stahl ment of an information technology plan

for the university. Prior to joining the UNC-Charlotte library staff as associate library director in 1983, he was vice president and head of design for Pro Libra Associates Inc., and held several positions in the library at Stockton State College (now the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey).

Susan Ardis has been appointed head of the Science Libraries Division at the University of Texas at Austin

Mark Bartlett is now head of technical services at the Ross-Blakley Law Library at Arizona State University in Tempe.

Daniel K. Blewett has been appointed collection development coordinator and reference librarian at Loyola University Chicago.

William E. Brown Jr. is now coordinator for Research and Instruction at the Bancroft Library at the University of California at Berkelev.

Bertram (Chip) Bruce has been named professor of Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Sheila Bryant was hired as reference librarian at Michigan State University.

Tom Carter has been appointed dean of academic resources at St. Mary's College in Moraga, California.

Cynthia D. Clark has been named director of technical services for the Research Libraries at the New York Public Library.

Daniel Coffev is now literatures and languages librarian at Iowa State University in Ames.

Patricia Kosco Cossard has been appointed team manager for Arts and Humanities at the University of Maryland in College Park.

Kevin Deemer has been appointed reference librarian at Pennsylvania State University Shenango.

Natalie Delker has been appointed reference/instruction librarian at the University of Washington, Bothell.

Laura Dickson is now Government Documents librarian at Michigan State Uni-

Joseph Fennewald has been named head librarian at Pennsylvania State Hazleton.

Jan Figa is now mathematics librarian at Michigan State University.

Nancy Fleck has been appointed head of Technical Services at Michigan State University.

Heidi Frank has joined Michigan State University as an electronic resources catalog librarian.

Ellen Griffin has been appointed historical collections cataloger at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Curtis Hanson has been named academic librarian/assistant archivist in the Chester Fritz Library at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks.

Karen Hein has been appointed reference and electronic services librarian at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Anne Houston is now head librarian at Mallinckrodt Library at Loyola University Chicago.

Wen-ying Lu is now bibliographic enhancement catalog librarian for Michigan State University.

Cecile Maciulus has joined Loyola University Chicago as a reference librarian.

Daniel Mack has been appointed humanities librarian at Pennsylvania State University.

Melissa McAfee has been appointed head of the Preservation Department at Indiana University.

Michael J. McLane is now executive director of the Central New York Library Resources Council in Syracuse.

Lesley Moyo is Pennsylvania State University Libraries' new gateway librarian.

Robert Noel is now head of the Swain Hall Library at Indiana University.

Michele Ostrow is now access services librarian in the Undergraduate Library Services Division at the University of Texas at Austin.

Gwen Owens has been appointed head of the Blommer Science Library at Georgetown University.

Henry Pisciotta is the new arts and architecture librarian and assistant head of the Arts and Humanities Library at Pennsylvania State University.

Jason Polko has been named reference librarian/bibliographer in the Chester Fritz Library at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks.

Christie Resha is now manager of Library and E-Commerce Interfacing for EBSCO.

H. James Robin has joined Michigan State University as a systems librarian.

Edward J. Rock has been appointed information services librarian (Humanities/Reference) at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Debbi Schaubman is now head of Government Documents and the Map Library at Michigan State University.

Pongracz J. Sennyey is the new collection development librarian at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina.

Teresa Tickle has been appointed Slavic, East European and Central Asian bibliographer for Michigan State University.

Judith Trump is now government documents reference librarian at the Lauinger Library at Georgetown University.

Catherine Von Elm is now head of Access Services at the Lauinger Library at Georgetown University.

Robert Van Volkenburg has been promoted to director of product marketing, OCLC Library Resources, at the OCLC Online Computer Library Center.

LuLen Walker is now Arts Collection curator at the Lauinger Library at Georgetown University.

Kathleen Weessies will be joining Michigan State University as a map librarian on July 1.

Celestina Wroth has been appointed librarian for History, Religious Studies and History and Philosophy of Science at Indiana University.

Patricia Xia is now head of library systems at Loyola University Chicago.

Dee Yost has been appointed public services librarian at Hastings College in Hastings, Nebraska.

Tanya Zanish-Belcher has been appointed head of the Special Collections Department at Iowa State University in Ames

Nevenka Zdravkovska is now science reference librarian at the Blommer Science Library at Georgetown University.

Retirements

Joseph F. Lindenfeld, director of library services at Shelby State Community College in Memphis, Tennessee, from 1972 to 1989, has retired. He was chair of the ACRL Community and Junior College Libraries Section from 1983 to 1984. His most recent position was computer project librarian at Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center.

Heather Lloyd, after 21 years as head of General Reference and 12 years as head of Special Collections and University Archives, has retired from Oklahoma State University (OSU). Lloyd volunteered or belonged to numerous organizations, including the Oklahoma Library Association, Oklahoma Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries, Oklahoma Conservation Congress, Society of Southwest Archivists, ALA, Oklahoma Historical Society, and the Payne County Historical Society.

Deaths

Eileen D. Cooke, 71, former director of ALA's Washington Office, died April 30 following complications with surgery. Cooke

retired from ALA on December 31, 1993, after 30 years of service. She began her career with ALA as assistant director of the ALA Washington Office in 1964 and assumed the director position in 1972. During her tenure at ALA, Cooke played a major



Eileen D. Cooke

role in the development, renewal, and funding of key library legislation, including the Library Services and Construction Act, the Higher Education Act, the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the Medical Library Assistance Act, the Copyright Revision Act, and the establishment of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science. Prior to ALA. Cooke worked at the Minneapolis Public Library, first as a bookmobile librarian (1957-62) and then as public relations specialist and hospital librarian (1958-63). She took a leave of absence to work as a branch librarian in the Oueensborough (New York) Public Library before returning to Minneapolis. Cooke was the first female president of the Joint Council on Educational Telecommunications and served on the boards of several Washington, D.C.-based organizations. She was a member of the Women's Joint Congressional Committee and the School of Library and Information Science Board of Visitors at Catholic University.

Kenneth J. LaBudde, 80, died in March. He was briefly on the staff of the Milwaukee Public Library before enlisting in the Army during World War II. In 1950 he be-



Kenneth J. LaBudde

came director of libraries at the University of Kansas City. After 35 years, he retired from the University of Missouri-Kansas City and was appointed professor emeritus. He continued to work as a curator of collections. LaBudde was one of

the founders of the Kansas City Metropolitan Library Network, supported networking initiatives across Missouri, served as a leader in the Missouri Library Association, and played a pivotal role in the achievement of academic status for librarians at the University of Missouri. He was a life member of ALA, Organization of American Historians, American Studies Association, the Society of Architectural Historians, the Missouri Library Association, and several alumni associations.

Jack Edward Pontius, 59, communications librarian and head of the Periodicals and Microforms departments at Pennsylvania State University Libraries, died April 5. Pontius was nationally known for expertise in micropublishing and was committed to improving access to information, including the application of information technologies. Among his accomplishments. he developed Mass Media Index, a Webbased index to journals in mass mediaoriginally created for Penn State students and faculty but now used worldwide. He was active in ALA and held a variety of committee positions and chairmanships in the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services and the Library Information and Technology Association.

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