Amy Blair is the new editor of the *Journal of Agricultural & Food Information*, a quarterly forum for the communication of research, innovative practice, and all aspects of agricultural and food information. Blair is the coordinator of library outreach services and the agriculture/plant sciences librarian at Michigan State University.

Christopher Brown-Syed, assistant professor at the Library & Information Science Program at Wayne State University (WSU), is assuming editorship of the biannual *Library & Archival Security*, which provides information to those concerned with security planning, policies, procedures, and strategies for libraries and archives.

Library Mosaics and the Council on Library Media Technicians have awarded AnnaMarie Erickson and Linda Owen the 1998 awards for Outstanding Supporter of Support Staff and Outstanding Support Staff, respectively. Erickson is the automation director for the Chicago Public Library System. Owen works in the Technical Services/Cataloging Department of the University of California, Riverside.

Betty Turock, a professor of library and information science at Rutgers, has won the 1998 Equality Award from the ALA in honor of her career-long contributions in promoting the equality of men and women in the library profession and beyond. Turock is a member of the faculty of Rutgers' School of Communication, Information and Library Studies (SCILS), where she teaches courses on information policy and the management of library and information services and systems. David Carr, chair of the department of library and information studies and director of the master of library service program at SCILS, said, "Her leadership has made a continuing difference in the themes of inclusion and representation in the information professions. We see it here, in our new students, and we can expect it to continue for many more years. It's a rare and lasting legacy."

Marcia Tuttle, who retired from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) as head of the Davis serials de-

partment on May 1, 1997, had a scholarship fund established in her honor by Swets & Zeitlinger, Inc. The \$1,000 scholarship will assist students interested in serials librarianship at the UNC-OH's School of Information and Library Science (SILS). "I was very surprised and



Marcia Tuttle

touched when Swets & Zeitlinger told me they wanted to name a scholarship after me," said Tuttle. "They asked for my permission—I practically burst into tears!" In 1983 Tuttle wrote the landmark textbook, *Introduction to Serials Management*. From 1985–1995 she coedited *Advances in Serials Management*, a series that she originated to monitor and publicize trends in serials. As chair of the ALA's Subcommittee on Serials Pricing, Tuttle began publishing the online *Newsletter on Serials Pricing Issues* in 1989. In 1985 Tuttle was the first recipient of the Bowker/Ulrich's Serials Librarianship Award for excellence in serials work.

Appointments

Adrian W. Alexander was named the first executive director of the Big 12 Plus Library Consortium. Alexander has spent almost 13 years in the serials industry in a variety of sales, marketing, and strategic planning roles. Most recently he was director of strategic development at the Faxon Company, Inc., a serials management services company. The Big 12 Plus,

to be located at the Linda Hall Library in Kansas City, Missouri, is a regional consortium of research libraries located in the greater Midwest with common interests in programs related to information access, document delivery, distance learning, new information technologies, and cooperative collection development. Alexander holds an MLS and a Certificate of Advanced Study in library administration from the University of North Texas, where he also worked as a reference librarian/bibliographer and as head of administrative services. He is an active member of the ALA and serves on the editorial board of Serials Review.

Gillian McCombs, assistant director for technical services and systems at the Uni-

versity of Albany, State University of New York, will become Southern Methodist University's (SMU) director of Central University Libraries on June 1, 1998. Mc-Combs, a native of Yorkshire, England, earned a B.A. in French and European



Gillian McCombs

literature from the University of Warwick, England in 1968. The following year she earned her M.A. in librarianship from Leeds School of Librarianship in Leeds, England. In May of 1995, she earned a master's degree in public administration from Rockefeller College at the University at Albany, SUNY. She has published extensively and has held positions in England and at Dumbarton Oaks and other libraries in Washington, D.C.

Irene Tichenor was appointed director of Library and Information Resources at SUNY College at Old Westbury, where she is responsible for library functions and academic computing. Previously she was the head librarian of the Brooklyn Historical Society for nine years and acting director for one year. Tichenor served two terms on the Board of Trustees of the New York Metropolitan Reference and Research Library Agency.

Jean M. Alexander has been appointed head of Hunt Library Information Center at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Cindy Badilla has been appointed assistant librarian in the residency program at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Charly Bauer has joined OhioLINK as assistant director of Library Systems-Multi-Media Databases.

Don Beagle has been appointed assistant director and head of the Information Commons at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Dana Belcher has been appointed periodicals librarian at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma.

Janice Bickham has been appointed assistant reference and Instructional Media Center librarian at the Drain-Jordan Library at West Virginia State College in Institute, West Virginia.

Laura Dale Bischof has been appointed reference services librarian in MINITEX at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Karla Block has been appointed librarian project manager/training coordinator at the Bio-Medical Library, University of Minnesota Libraries.

Renee Bougard has joined the Medical Sciences Library at Texas A&M University as manager of user support services.

Tamar Breslauer has been appointed reference services librarian in MINITEX at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Martha Brogan has been named director of Collection Development and university bibliographer at Indiana University Libraries, Bloomington.

Glenn Bunton is the new systems librarian for Internet Technologies at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

Paul Cammarata has been appointed assistant reference librarian at the Thomas Cooper Library of the University of South Carolina at Columbia.

Kimberly Clarke is the new assistant librarian in the residency program at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Elaine Cline has been appointed librarian of the National Air and Space Museum Branch of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries in Washington, D.C.

Marsha Cornelius has been named catalog librarian at Stetson University in DeLand, Florida.

Charles H. Davis has been appointed senior fellow at Indiana University's School of Library and Information Science.

Francois d'Erneville has been appointed new systems engineer for OhioLINK's 65 research databases.

Frank Elliott has been appointed engineering librarian at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

William Fietzer is the new digital resources and humanities cataloger at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Kristine Fowler has been appointed Mathematics librarian at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Lila Fredenburg has been named libraries human resources officer at Indiana University Libraries, Bloomington.

Beverlee French is the new associate director of Shared Collections and Services for the California Digital Library.

Chuck Hamaker has been appointed the head of technical services at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Debra Holster has been appointed government documents/special collections librarian at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma.

Thomas Horrocks was appointed associate director for special collections and curator of rare books in the Countway Library of Medicine at Harvard University.

Charles A. Julian has been appointed manager of Intellectual Property, Rights, and Permissions at the National Technology Transfer Center of Wheeling Jesuit University in Wheeling, West Virginia.

Sarah Kirsch has been appointed assistant social studies librarian of Morris Library at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois.

Victoria M. Koger has been appointed public services librarian for circulation and periodicals at the Drain-Jordan Library at West Virginia State College in Institute, West Virginia.

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Robert Lasner is a health sciences librarian at the New York Academy of Medicine Library.

Terry Lipscomb is now an archivist in the South Carolina Library at the University of South Carolina at Columbia.

Lori Mardis has been appointed instruction librarian at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma.

Jia Mi has joined the New Brunswick Libraries faculty at Rutgers University as electronic information services librarian.

Daniel Murphy has been appointed head of library systems at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Cherie Navarre has been appointed Virginia Beach Campus librarian at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

Daniel Schwartz is an assistant professor in the serials cataloging department at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Maureen Taylor is now map librarian at the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries.

Beth Tice has been appointed assistant music librarian at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Michael P. Tosko has been named reference/instruction librarian at the Iris Holt McEwen Library at Elon College in Elon, North Carolina.

Amy Underhill is now the reference team coordinator at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Jie Zhang has been appointed education reference librarian at the Grasselli Library and Breen Learning Center of John Carroll University in University Heights, Ohio.

Carol Zinda has been appointed science and engineering librarian at the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Retirements

Robert H. Patterson, director of libraries at the University of Tulsa (UT), will retire on May 31 after 17 years of service. Before joining UT, Patterson held positions at Tulane, the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center at the University of Texas at Austin, and directorships at the University of Wyoming and at Tulsa. In the mid '80s

he served as president of the ACRL/OK chapter and on the Chapters Council. He founded and edited for 15 years the journal *Conservation Administration News*, which reported on the library and archival preservation field. In 1989 he was CLR/UCLA Senior Fellow.



Robert H. Patterson

Deaths

Kimball C. Elkins, who retired as curator from the Harvard Library in 1971, died at the age of 94 on September 14, 1997. Elkins graduated from Harvard College in 1927 and received an A.M. in History in 1933. He joined the Documents Division of the library in 1928 and transferred to the university archives in 1943 as senior assistant. Elkins published a number of articles in the Harvard Library Bulletin and Harvard Alumni Bulletin (now the Harvard Magazine), on such Harvard subjects as the Quaker collection in the library, the use of Harvard-owned maps to help settle the Maine border dispute that resulted in the Webster-Ashburton Treaty, the history of honorary degrees, and birds in Harvard Yard.

Marie Genung, retired reference librarian at the University of California, Riverside (UCR), died on December 28, 1997. Genung began her career at UCR in 1951 to help prepare for the opening of the new general campus of the university. She had a library certification from UC Berkeley, and had worked for five years as a cataloger at Mills College in Oakland, California. She organized the cataloging department of the UCR Library and was the department head until 1963. She had combined responsibilities as a bibliographer, cataloger, and reference librarian for the next ten years, and then worked full-time in Rivera Reference until her retirement in 1986, after 35 years of service.

Robert W. Lovett, retired archivist for the Harvard University Libraries, died on June

14, 1996. Lovett graduated from Harvard with an A.B. in 1935. Lovett's archives and manuscripts career began at the Harvard University Archives in 1937. He served there until 1948 when he accepted a position in charge of the Manuscript and Archives Division of the Harvard Business School Library. For two decades he divided his time between the Business School and the Medical School, where he developed an archive. The last decade of his career he spent at the Business School, from which he retired in August 1979. Lovett was recognized relatively early in his career with election as a Fellow when the Society of American Archivists established that category in 1958. Among his other honors and offices was an award in 1979 by the Southern New England Chapter for the Society for Industrial Archaeology, election in 1960 to honorary membership in the Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Harvard, and in 1984 he received a silver bowl for contributions to the city of Beverly. Lovett was also a prolific writer, and his bibliography of books, articles, and reviews numbers over 100 items.

Mary M. Meehan, university archivist for the Harvard University Library, died October 11, 1997. She helped develop the collections of the Harvard University Archives during the middle decades of this century. She graduated from Radcliffe College in 1934 and in 1946 she came to the Harvard University archives, working on a variety of projects in a number of positions until her retirement in 1975.

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