Jenny Garcia, University of Wyoming assistant librarian, has been approved for membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) at the Distinguished Member level. AHIP is the professional development and career recognition program of the Medical Library Association. An AHIP-credentialed librarian is required to have a master's degree in library and information science, have worked in the health information field for five years (ten years for the Distinguished Member level), and have demonstrated leadership skills in their profession. Academy members must renew their credentials every five years.

Lillian Lewis is now the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Library Alliance program officer. She is responsible for the operation of the HBCU Library Alliance, which was formed after a historic meeting in 2002 of HBCU deans and directors of libraries. In addition, Lewis will coordinate and conduct a two-year project to strengthen leadership within the HBCU library community and more effectively integrate library services into campus programs for teaching and learning. Lewis most recently worked for ALA as deputy executive director jointly of the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies and the Reference and User Services Association.

Clifford Lynch, executive director of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI), has received the Ohio Board of Regents second George V. Voinovich Award for Information Innovation for his contributions in the use of information technology and networked information for the advancement of scholarship, librarianship, and intellectual productivity. The award, created in 2002 by the Ohio Board of

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Regents in recognition of OhioLINK's ten years of service, is named for Ohio's Senator George V. Voinovich. As Ohio governor, Voinovich spearheaded approval of initial major funding for OhioLINK, a consortium of 84 academic libraries and the State Library of Ohio, in 1992. The Voinovich Award recognizes an individual who develops and champions solutions to the problem of connecting people and information effectively and efficiently.

Appointments

Edwin D. Follick has been appointed director of university libraries at South Baylo University. The position has responsibility at the main campus in Anaheim, as well as for the Los Angeles campus library and the Research Center Library. He was appointed director of the business library in 2004 in South Baylo's constituent university and served as adjunct professor of business law teaching health care law and ethics to juniors and seniors completing their bachelor's of science in management degrees.

Robert Cox has been appointed head of special collections and archives at University of Massachusetts-Amherst Libraries.

Steve Dalton has joined the staff of the Boston College Libraries as preservation manager.

Kurt Eldridge is now technical specialist for the Center for New Media Teaching and Learning at Columbia University.

Dave Green is the new associate university librarian for collections and information services at Northeastern Illinois University.

Jonathan Hall has joined Columbia University's Center for New Media Teaching and Learning as an educational technologist.

Michele Hayslett has been appointed data services librarian at the North Carolina State University Libraries.

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D. J. Hoek has been appointed head of the Music Library at Northwestern University Library.

Jeffrey Makala is now assistant librarian in Rare Books and Special Collections in the University of South Carolina's Thomas Cooper Library.

Jenna Miller has been named assistant university librarian in the Marston Science Library at the University of Florida.

Cecilia Mullen has been appointed head of the Integrated Sciences and Engineering Library at University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

Laurie A. Preston is now head of reference in the McGraw-Page Library at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia.

Jesus Alonso Regalado is the new reference librarian and bibliographer for history and Latin American and Caribbean studies at the University at Albany Libraries.

Trish Rosseel has been appointed head of the reference division at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, BC, Canada.

Scott Stangroom has been appointed head of acquisitions at University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

Csaba Szilagyi has joined the staff of the Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Columbia University as curator of the newly acquired Human Rights Watch Archives.

Andy Taylor has joined the staff at Illinois State University as Web services librarian.

Bryan Tronstad has accepted a reference librarian position at the University of Wyoming's Science Library.

Glen Wiley has been appointed serials and electronic resources librarian at the North Carolina State University Libraries.

Retirements

Fred Hamilton retired from Louisiana Tech University in February 2005 after 24 years of service. Hamilton held various positions including: head of bibliographic management,

head of the cataloging department, assistant acquisitions librarian, and inter-library loan librarian. He served in leadership roles in the development of the LOUIS statewide network and has been active in the Louisiana Library Association, the Louisiana Chapter of ACRL, and NASIG.

Marilyn J. Martin, dean of library services at Rowan University, has retired after a 30year career in librarianship. During Martin's nine-year tenure at Rowan, a thriving Friends of the Library was established, several significant archival collections were acquired, and a new integrated system was implemented. Prior to the Rowan appointment, Martin was director of learning resources at Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Her earlier positions included two in Washington state: reference librarian at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma and cataloger at St. Martin's College in Lacey. Martin began her career in an Armed Forces library in Okinawa, Japan. She was active in various organizations at the national, regional, and state levels. She chaired the ACRL Research Committee (1995–97), the CLS Continuing Education Committee (2000), and the Library History Roundtable Research Committee (2000). She was president of the Tri-State College Library Cooperative (2002-03) and a member of the first executive board of the Virtual Academic Library Environment of New Jersey (1999-2002). She also served as an evaluator on Middle States teams (2001-03). A trained historian, Martin received the LHRT Dain Award in 1993 for her dissertation on the history of public libraries in Arkansas founded by women's organizations. She has published in both library and history journals.

Deaths

Alexander MacGregor (Sandy) Gilchrist, 74, head of collection development at the University of South Carolina's Thomas Coo-

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per Library, died January 8 after a long illness. Gilchrist held an MLS from the University of Kentucky and served as a librarian at the University of Kentucky before becoming a reference librarian at the University of South Carolina in 1981.



Alexander MacGregor (Sandy) Gilchrist

Robert W. Severance, 97, retired director of the Air University Library, has died. He began his library career at North Carolina State University Library; was appointed library director at Stetson University; and, in 1940, became director and dean of libraries at Baylor University. He also worked in the Army Library at the Pentagon and the National Library of Medicine and retired as director of the Air University Library in 1973. Severance was a member of several state and national library associations and served as ACRL President from 1952 to 1953. He founded the Federal Librarians Round Table and was a consultant to several libraries in Europe, Asia, and South America.

Elton Bryson Stephens, 93, founder and chairman emeritus of EBSCO Industries, Inc., has died. Stephens' support of Alabama institutions of art and higher education includes

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the establishment of the EBSCO Endowed Chair of Library Service at the University of Alabama School of Library and Information Studies, the first endowed library chair in the United States. Stephens gifted his alma mater Birmingham-Southern College with the Elton B. Stephens Science Center, and he and his wife helped establish the Alys Robinson Stephens Performing Arts Center at the University of Alabama-Birmingham, named for her. In 1944, he and his wife formed a partnership to sell spirt de corps and recreational supplies, including magazine subscriptions, to the U.S. Armed Forces. Today, EBSCO is a collection of more than 30 business units with 5,000 employees active internationally in information services, publisher services, real estate development, and manufacturing. 22

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