Elaine Didier, director of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Museum since 2005, was presented with the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Michigan School of Information. This award recognizes and honors alumni who have at least 25 years of professional service in the information professions and have made outstanding contributions to the field. Didier's professional career prior to the Gerald R. Ford Museum and Library includes 22 years at the University of Michigan in various capacities, including associate dean of the Rackham School of Graduate Studies, interim director of Academic Outreach, and director of Information Resources at the business school. Her service on professional associations includes the ACRL Board of Directors, past presidency of the Michigan Library Association, and a three-year term on the Library of Michigan Board of Trustees. She was the first woman elected president of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club in 1993.

## **Appointments**

Rosemary Huff Arneson has been named librarian for the University of Mary Washington. Arneson has served as university librarian for Carmichael Library at the University of Montevallo in Montevallo, Alabama, since 1999. In addition, she served as chair of the university's Web advisory committee and encouraged the library's use of Web 2.0 technologies, such as Facebook, Flickr, and the instant messaging platform Meebo. Arneson has given numerous presentations addressing the use of technology in the library and in the classroom and has contributed to several regional publications, including the *Encyclopedia of Alabama*. Arne-

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son has been involved in regional and national professional association work, recently serving as president of the Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries, and as chair of the Resource Sharing Committee of the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries since 2008.

**Courtney L. Young** has been appointed head librarian at Penn State-Greater Allegheny.

**Stacey Carton** has been appointed manager of the Fordham Multimedia Lab in the Mabel Smith Douglass Library, in the Rutgers University Libraries in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

**Gregory Davis** has been named assistant director for information technology in the University Library at Iowa State University.

**Natalia Fernandez** is the new Oregon multicultural librarian for Oregon State University Libraries.

**Christine E. King** has been named associate dean for reference and instruction at the University Library at Iowa State University.

**Martha Kruy** has been named reference librarian with primary responsibilities in information literacy at Norwalk Community College in Norwalk, Connecticut.

**Michelle Oswell** has been appointed music/performing arts librarian at the Rutgers University Libraries in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Victoria Lynn Packard has been named coordinator of instructional services and distance learning at Texas A&M University in Kingsville.

**Tibor Purger** has been appointed director of Integrated Information Systems at the Rutgers University Libraries in Piscataway, New Jersey.

**Joyce Tokuda** is now learning resources librarian at Kapiolani Community College Library.

**Susan Weber** is now librarian in the reference department at Kapiolani Community College Library.

**Joleen Westerdale** is now instructional services librarian at the Old Dominion University Libraries

## Retirements

Mary Marko, reference and collection development librarian at Kapiolani Community College Library in Honolulu, Hawaii, has retired after 34 years of service to Kapiolani's Lama Library.

## Deaths

Howard Dess, 81, retired physical science resource librarian at the Rutgers University Libraries in New Brunswick, New Jersey, died July 5, 2010. Dess worked as a librarian in the Rutgers University Libraries for 25 years. He oversaw the Rutgers' Chemistry and Physics branch libraries and served as chair of the Rutgers' New Brunswick Libraries Collections Group, the Scholarly Communications Committee, and the Strategic Plan subcommittee on scholarly communication. He also served as a member of the University Senate and as an active member of ACRL. He was a prolific author of scholarly and professional articles, book reviews, and conference presentations. In the April 2003 issue of C&RL News, Dess coauthored (with Myoung Wilson) "The bewildering new world of scholarly communication: Helping faculty understand the issues."

Locke Morrisey, head of collections, reference, and research at the University of San Francisco (USF) Gleeson Library, has died. Morrisey was deeply committed to the library profession, publishing and holding leadership positions at the local and national levels; serving as a mentor to San Jose State University library school students with internships at USF; and was a much-beloved and respected figure at his institution and in the academic library community. He served on the ACRL Board of Directors as ALA Councilor from 2007 to 2010. "As a member of Council, Locke was a strong

voice for academic and research libraries," noted ACRL Executive Director Mary Ellen Davis. "He was a very engaged member of the ACRL



Locke Morrisey

Board who helped the Board consider multiple perspectives. Locke brought his enthusiasm and passions to the profession and enriched us all." "Locke will be missed for his laughter, tenacity, commitment, and intellect," added 2010–11 ACRL Presi-

dent Lisa Hinchliffe. "And, most of all, for the friendship he offered to everyone." Morrisey also served ACRL as a member of the Racial and Ethnic Diversity Committee, Dr. E. J. Josey Spectrum Scholar Mentor Committee, Chapters Council, Excellence in Academic Libraries Award Nominations Committee, and sections, including CLS, IS, and ULS. He is remembered at USF for his thoughtful guidance to students and colleagues, and the tireless example he set as a teacher, researcher, and mentor; and across the academic library community for his humor, intelligence, and commitment to the profession. 72

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