Barbara G. Preece is now director of the Loyola/Notre Dame Library Board of Trustees. Preece has been the dean of the library at California State University-San Marcos since 2009. From 2000 to 2009, Preece was the executive director of the Boston Library Consortium, Inc. Prior to that she served in various capacities at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale and began her professional career at the Shawnee Library System in Carterville, Illinois. Preece serves currently as chair of OCLC's Americas Regional Council and as chair of the National Information Standards Organization Board.

Martha A. Rinn, associate professor and university librarian, has been appointed to an endowed professorship at Texas Lutheran University. Rinn received a five-year appointment to the Luther W. and Ruth E. Sappenfield Chair in Library Science. The \$2,000 per year endowment will allow Rinn to continue leading and guiding library and information services on campus.

Appointments

Henry G. Fulmer is now director of the South Caroliniana Library at the University of South Carolina (USC). A three-time USC graduate and 30-year USC Libraries employee, Fulmer began his new duties January 2. Fulmer has been curator of manuscripts at South Caroliniana Library since 1992. He has seen the addition and acquisition of numerous materials, including the papers of General William C. Westmoreland and, most recently, Mary Boykin Chesnut's Civil War photograph albums. Fulmer is active in a number of professional organizations, including the South Carolina Archival Association. He currently serves as treasurer on the Board of Governors of the South Carolina Academy of Authors.



Henry G. Fulmer

Mary Reichel will step down as dean of libraries at Appalachian State University, effective July 1, 2013, and will return to the library faculty. Reichel has served as the library administrator at Appalachian since 1992. In 2000, she was named the Carol Grotnes Belk Distinguished Professor for Library and Information Studies. From 2001 until 2002, Reichel served as president of ACRL. One highlight of her administrative work was the completion of the \$40 million Carol Grotnes Belk Library and Information Commons, which opened in 2005.

Jidong Yang has been appointed the new head of the East Asia Library at Stanford University, effective May 2013. Yang is currently the head of the Asia Library at the University of Michigan. Prior to his role at the University of Michigan, Yang served as the Chinese Studies librarian at the University of Pennsylvania. Yang has published extensively in the fields of both Chinese history and East Asian librarianship.

Christy Allen has been appointed assistant director for discovery services at the Furman University Libraries.

Ruth Baker is now learning commons librarian at Georgia Southern University's Zach S. Henderson Library, in Statesboro, Georgia.

Sarah Barbrow has been named special projects librarian at the University of Michigan Library.

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Nora Belzowski has joined the faculty at Valparaiso University's Christopher Center Library Services as research services librarian.

Jennifer Snoek-Brown is now a faculty librarian at Mt. Hood Community College, where she also coordinates the Library Instruction program.

Brianna Buljung has joined the Nimitz Library at the United States Naval Academy as reference-bibliographer for engineering and computer science.

Suzhen Chen was promoted to librarian 2 for acquisitions and metadata services at Case Western Reserve University.

Stephanie Church was promoted to librarian 2 for acquisitions and metadata services at Case Western Reserve University.

William Cuthbertson has joined the instructional services department as an instructional services librarian at the University of Northern Colorado's University Libraries.

Bethany Davis has been appointed digital processing coordinator librarian, Preservation and Conservation, at the University of Iowa Libraries.

Georgie Donovan was named associate dean of libraries at Appalachian State University.

David Dudek has joined the Nimitz Library at the United States Naval Academy as head of access services.

Andrea Falcone has been named head of instructional services at the University of Northern Colorado's University Libraries.

Patrick Feeley was hired as analyst programmer 2 for scholarly resources and special collections at Case Western Reserve University.

Nikolaus Fogle has joined Falvey Memorial Library at Villanova University as the philosophy librarian and Philosophy, Theology, and Humanities liaison team leader.

Meaghan Fukunaga has been named video content management specialist at the University of Michigan Library.

V. Heidi Hass has been appointed director of research services at the Morgan Library and Museum in New York City.

Katie Henningsen is the new archivist/ digital collections coordinator at the University of Puget Sound's Collins Memorial Library. **Alys Jordan** is now head of the research, instruction, and outreach services department at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Elmer E. Rasmuson Library.

Sofia Becerra-Licha has accepted the newly established position of college archivist at the Berklee College of Music.

Jonathan Manton is the new sound archives librarian in the Archive of Recorded Sound at Stanford University.

Mieko Mazza has joined the Stanford University East Asia Library as a Japanese technical services librarian.

Jane Monson has been named digital initiatives librarian at the University of Northern Colorado's University Libraries.

Dennis Moser has joined the staff at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Elmer E. Rasmuson Library as department head of the Alaska and Polar Regions Collections and Archives.

Rebecca L. Mugridge has been appointed associate director for technical services and library systems for the University at Albany Libraries.

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Sara O'Donnell has been named user experience reference librarian and Web master at the University of Northern Colorado's University Libraries.

Molly Dahl Poremski has been appointed international languages and literatures librarian at the University at Buffalo-SUNY Libraries.

Fred Rascoe is now scholarly communication librarian in the Georgia Tech Library's scholarly communication and digital curation department.

Hilary Robbeloth is the new metadata/ collections services librarian at the University of Puget Sound's Collins Memorial Library.

Emily Puckett Rodgers is now special projects librarian at the University of Michigan Library.

Lizzy Rolando has joined the Georgia Tech Library's scholarly communication and digital curation department as research data librarian.

Cheryl Seme was promoted to librarian 1 for digital and learning services at Case Western Reserve University.

Daniela Solomon was hired as research librarian 2 for research services at Case Western Reserve University.

Elizabeth Stellrecht is now clinical librarian and liaison to the School of Dental Medicine at University at Buffalo-SUNY Libraries.

Amy Vilz has been named university archivist at the University at Buffalo-SUNY Libraries.

Retirements

Hope Barton retired from the University of Iowa Libraries November 2, 2012, after 26 years of service. She joined the libraries as a biomedical librarian at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences and moved to the Main Library in 2005. At the time of her retirement, Barton was the associate university librarian for Main Library Services. She worked at the Temple University Dental-Allied Health-Pharmacy Library in Philadelphia for ten years before joining the University of Iowa. Active professionally in the Medical Library Association, her involvement included committee chairmanships, symposia planning, and legislative advocacy for the National Library of Medicine and scholarly communication issues. Barton published and presented on a variety of public and technical services issues.

Rob Sloan Jr., reference and instruction librarian at St. Mary's College of Maryland, retired January 1, 2013, after a career of 32 years.

Carol Tobin, head of the research and instructional services department in Davis Library at the University of North Carolina (UNC)-Chapel Hill, retired July 1, 2012, after

18 years of service. Tobin supervised staff and oversaw reference collection development, budget requests, and the department's organization and services. Tobin held prior positions as head of the reference department in the Thomas Cooper Library at the



Carol Tobin

University of South Carolina (1987–93) and reference librarian in the Firestone Library at Princeton University (1980–87). She served as president of the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) of ALA (2001–02) and as a member of numerous RUSA committees, including the Executive Committee (2002–03). She also chaired the division's reference services in Large Research Libraries Discussion Groups (2004–06) and the Organizational Structure Task Force (2002–03). Tobin served on campus as a member of the UNC Faculty Council (2003–06) and has provided consulting services to reference publishers.

Michael Van Fossen retired November 1, 2012, as international/state documents librarian in Davis Library at the University of North Carolina (UNC)-Chapel Hill. For 23



years, he managed the state and international documents collection and served as the subject librarian for international studies; the curriculum in peace, war, and defense; and political science. He also regularly taught a course on government

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documents and mentored students at UNC's School of Library and Information Science. Van Fossen provided leadership in the North Carolina Library Association, where he served on the executive board of its Government Resources Section, as an associate editor and indexer for *North Carolina Libraries*, and as chair of the journal's 2007 Style Manual Revision Committee.

Deaths

Marilyn Christianson, biological sciences, forestry and wildlife, and mathematics reference librarian at Auburn University (AU) Libraries, died December 20, 2012. Christianson joined the AU Libraries faculty in 2003 after successfully holding librarian positions at LSU and the University of North Texas.

Virginia Lee Close, 91, former head reference librarian at the Dartmouth College Library, has died. She began her tenure at Dartmouth's Baker Library in 1945, first in circulation



Virginia Lee Close

and then in reference services. By the time she retired in 1993, Close had added the titles of bibliographer and editor of the *Dartmouth College Library Bulletin*. In retirement she researched a variety of subjects with Richard Hoefnagel, a pre-eminent geneticist at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Their culminating work was the publication of a book titled *Eleazar Wheelock and the Adventurous Founding of Dartmouth College*.

William "Bill" Thomas DeJohn, 72, director of Minitex at the University of Minnesota for 27 years, died December 31, 2012, after

a short illness. DeJohn retired as director of Minitex after serving in that capacity since 1984. Minitex is a joint program of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education and the University of Minnesota that works to improve library services to Minnesota. Under



Bill DeJohn

DeJohn's leadership, Minitex expanded and improved library services. In addition, DeJohn initiated a cooperative purchasing program for Minnesota libraries that saved millions of dollars. And he was instrumental in securing funding to create the Electronic Library of Minnesota, a service that allows all Minnesota residents to access online licensed content (newspapers and journal articles). DeJohn served as community affairs librarian and later coordinator of loan services at the Missouri State Library in Jefferson City, Missouri. From 1974 to 1977, DeJohn worked as senior consultant, library cooperation, for the Illinois State Library-Library Development Group, in Springfield, Illinois. In 1977, he became director of the Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center at University of Washington Libraries in Seattle. In 1982, he was promoted to lead that library system's resource sharing program. DeJohn's numerous awards include being named Academic Librarian of the Year in 2006 by the Minnesota Library Association, and he won the University of Minnesota President's Award for Outstanding Service in 2007. 20