
Appointments

Georgie Donovan has been appointed associate dean for collections and content services at The College of William & Mary's (W&M) Swem Library. Donovan has 15 years of professional experience in library management. She comes to W&M from Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina, where she has worked in multiple positions since 2004, most recently as associate dean of libraries since 2004. She also led Appalachian State's successful reaccreditation effort with the SACS Commission on Colleges in 2013. Donovan began work as a library assistant while attending the University of Georgia. After graduation, she spent several years as an educator in El Paso, as well as in Tokyo, Japan, and Copiapó, Chile.

Lorraine Estelle has been appointed COUNTER Project director in succession to Peter Shepherd, who will be retiring this summer. Estelle has worked for Jisc (The UK Joint Information Systems Committee) since 2002 and was chief executive of Jisc Collections from 2006 to 2015. In this capacity she has worked closely with publishers and librarians on all aspects of national procurement and licensing activities. Of particular relevance to COUNTER is her role in setting up the UK Journal Usage Statistics Portal (JUSP), which provides a one-stop shop for the management by U.K. academic libraries of COUNTER usage statistics. In addition to her responsibilities at Jisc, Estelle has been an energetic participant in wider information industry initiatives and organizations. She is currently coeditor of *Insights: the UKSG Journal*. Estelle has been involved in COUNTER since it was

launched in 2002, initially as a member of the international Advisory Board and latter as a member of the Board of Directors.

Howard Fuller has been appointed library director at Whatcom Community College in Bellingham, Washington.

Millicent Gaskell has been named university librarian and director of the Falvey Memorial Library at Villanova University. For the past ten years, Gaskell held a number of leadership roles at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Prior to her tenure at MIT, she served as librarian, senior librarian, and then manager of Information Services during a ten-year career at QVC. Previously, as environmental information specialist at the South Jersey Environmental Information Center, Gaskell built the only public environmental collection and research service in New Jersey. Gaskell earlier served as paralibrarian for Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP.

James Adams joined the Helmerich Collaborative Learning Center at the University of Oklahoma Libraries as an emerging technologies librarian.

Andrea Ball has been appointed care management and population health librarian at the University of Washington Health Sciences Library.

Kristal Boulden has been appointed social sciences and humanities librarian at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

Tara Carlisle has been appointed digital scholarship specialist in the Helmerich Collaborative Learning Center at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

Scott Carlson is now the metadata coordinator in the Fondren Library at Rice University.

Matthew Cook has been named emerging technologies librarian in the Helmerich Collaborative Learning Center at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

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Nicole Dettmar has been appointed health science curriculum design librarian at the University of Washington Health Sciences Library.

Alyssa Deutschler has been appointed online reference services coordinator and information science librarian at the University of Washington Libraries.

Cheryl McCain is now the first year experience librarian at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

Tamara Means has been appointed undergraduate services librarian at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

Amanda Mita has been appointed librarian/archivist in Special Collections at Seton Hall University Libraries.

Shane Roopnarine is now public services librarian at the Universal Orlando Foundation Library at the Rosen College of Hospitality Management.

Amber Seely has been appointed database and metadata management coordinator in the Fondren Library at Rice University.

Mary Ellen Spencer has joined the University of Oklahoma Libraries as the head of Undergraduate Services and Learning Initiatives.

Scott Vieira is now electronic resources librarian in the Fondren Library at Rice University.

Kathy Weimer has been named head of Kelley Center in the Fondren Library at Rice University.

Eric Zemke has been named coordinator of the Helmerich Collaborative Learning Center at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

sity of Nevada-Las Vegas; head of Technical Services at DePauw University; director of the Learning Resource Center at Union College; and cataloger at Drew University. Saunders has been active in various professional organizations at the national and regional level, including ACRL, LLAMA, Catholic Research Resources Alliance, and PALCI. She has also contributed books, journal articles, and book reviews to the professional literature.

Charles Skewis has retired as head of the Collections and Resources Services Department at Georgia Southern University's (GSU) Zach S. Henderson Library, after more than 18 years. At the time of his retirement, Skewis completed 36 years of academic librarianship. Prior to joining GSU, Skewis served at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, Baylor University, SUNY-Morrisville College, University of Alabama, and at University of Texas-San Antonio. During his tenure at GSU, Skewis became the founding head of the Collection and Resource Services Department, supervising the collection development and acquisition of monographs and serials, the payment of materials, and the binding and processing of materials and special collections. He was instrumental in establishing and refining the book approval plan and various electronic workflows that led to increased ordering and cataloging efficiencies. He was elected or appointed to numerous library, university, and ad hoc committees, including the Faculty Senate and the Athletic Committee and the Faculty Grievance Committee, chairing the latter committee in 2010.

Retirements

Laverna Saunders has retired from Duquesne University after serving as university librarian for 12 years. Prior professional positions held during her career included dean of the library, instructional, and learning support at Salem State University; assistant university librarian for Technical Services at the Univer-

Deaths

Joseph A. Boisse, 77, university librarian at the University of California-Santa Barbara (UCSB) from 1983 to 1998 and director of libraries at Temple University (1979–83), has died. Boisse retired from UCSB as director of libraries after 15 years of service. During his tenure, Boisse was elected president of ACRL

(1988-89). In 1985, he established one of the first residency programs for minority librarians. He actively supported the acquisition of collections that now provide significant research opportunities in ethnic and multicultural studies, the performing arts, and American religions. He was active in the International Federation of Library Associations and traveled to Paris, Barcelona, and Istanbul. Boisse was active in Association of Research Libraries (ARL), serving on several committees and working groups in addition to chairing the Minority Recruitment Task Force, including the Academic Library Program Advisory Committee (1982-86); ARL Microform Project Cataloguing Program Advisory Committee (ARL representative 1981-86); Collection Development Committee (1984-86); Information Policies Committee (1990-92, 1997-98); Scholarly Communication Committee (1994-96); and Scientific and Technical Information Working Group (1993-96).

Sheila T. Dowd, University of California-Berkeley's (UC-Berkeley) head of collections for 15 years, has died. Dowd began her career in 1948, when she accepted an appointment with the U.S. Army Special Services as a librarian in Heidelberg, Germany. After a two-year stint in Germany, in 1951 the U.S. Information Service hired her to manage a library serving the French public in Marseille. In 1953 she launched her 35-year UC-Berkeley career by taking a job as a social science reference librarian. She soon moved to the map room and government documents department. For two decades, in addition to developing the documents collection (with special responsibilities for France, French territories, and Africa), she developed the general library's principal map collection. Dowd was also one of the cofounders of the Western Association of Map Libraries in 1967. In 1974, when the library merged two units into the Department of Collection Development and Reference Services, Dowd was named its head. There she shaped the library's collections, formulating policy guidelines and preparing and allocating its annual book budget. In addition,

she oversaw 65 librarians providing reference, information, and instructional services for library users. She built a national reputation, holding leadership roles with ACRL and the Research Libraries Group, as well as on the editorial board of the *Journal of Academic Librarianship*. Upon her retirement in 1988, she was awarded the university's highest honor, The Berkeley Citation, for distinguished service.

Earl Wayne Lee, librarian at Pittsburg State University, has died. Lee took his first library job at Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma, in 1986. In 1987 he took a new job as acquisitions librarian at Pittsburg State in Pittsburg, Kansas. He was an active faculty member at Pitt State for more than 25 years, including involvement in the faculty senate, and he eventually reached the rank of university professor. Over the course of his career he wrote many articles on religion and censorship that have appeared in *The Humanist*, *Religious Humanism*, *Freethought Today*, *Truth Seeker*, *The Match! American Libraries*, *You Are Being Lied to*, and *Counterpoise*. He has also written a number of books, including fiction, *Drakulya and Raptured: The Final Daze of the Late*, *Great Planet Earth*, and nonfiction, *Libraries Betrayed*, *Libraries in the Age of Mediocrity*, and his most recent book from Park Street Press, *From the Bodies of the Gods*. Before Lee died, he had just finished writing a new novel, *The Unkindness of Ravens: An Alternative Romance of the Late War*, which will be available in the fall of 2015. ♪

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