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- Encourage innovation
- Promote respect among all members
- Support professional growth
- Create leadership initiatives
- Advocate for libraries to citizens and government

From this outline, responsibilities will be developed and assigned/assumed. In addition, Dr. Chow led the Board through an exercise to evaluate the effectiveness and functionality of the Board itself. From this focus group activity, the President has appointed a committee to research and submit proposals for improvement of Board operations for discussion at the April quarterly meeting.

## PEOPLE NEWS

### FLORIDA

The University of Central Florida (UCF) Libraries is pleased to announce the arrival of **Dr. Yolanda Hood**, who joined the Libraries faculty as Head of the Curriculum Materials Center (CMC) in August 2013.



Dr. Hood received her MLS degree from North Carolina Central University, Durham. She earned a Ph.D. in English at the University of Missouri, Columbia, MO. Her pre-library experience includes teaching English and Special Ed to 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> graders in the North Carolina public school system, and African American Literature at University of North Carolina – Asheville. She also served as guest curator for the New England Quilt Museum, Lowell, MA, and for the Vermont Quilt Festival in Northfield, as well as a folklorist in Missouri. Her professional library career began as a Reference Librarian at Valdosta State University and, most recently, as Youth Librarian at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

Dr. Hoodis published in several refereed journals and has made many presentations regionally and nationally, written several successful grants, and was named one of the American Library Association (ALA) 2009 Emerging Leaders. She is also a member of the Young Adult Library Services Association, a division of ALA, and ALAN (Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English).

Dr. Hood is the first permanent department head for the CMC since 2009 when Dr. Penny Beile left the CMC to work in the John C. Hitt Library. Dr. Jason Martin and Rachel Mulvihill served as interim department heads until Hood's arrival in August.

### GEORGIA

**Jessica Lee** has joined the faculty of Valdosta State University Odum Library, Valdosta, GA as an Assistant Professor of Library Science and Electronic Resources/Serials Librarian. Ms. Lee received her Master of Science in Library and Information Studies from Florida State University in 2011.

### MISSISSIPPI

#### Jackson-George Regional Library System

The Jackson-George Regional Library System Board of Trustees has named Lori Ward Smith as Director beginning November 1st. She was promoted from the Pascagoula Public Library where she served as branch manager for the past three years. She will take the position that was held by Carol Hewlett who recently retired with 15 years of service with the system.

"I am incredibly happy to be selected as library system director," said Ms. Smith. "I feel fortunate to be able to work with such a capable group of people who are totally committed to public service. I look forward to working with all the libraries and communities we serve."

While living in Pascagoula as a child, Ms. Smith received her first library card at the Pascagoula Public Library. She previously served as director of the Pickens County Cooperative Library System in Carrollton, Alabama. She is a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi and was awarded her Master of Library Service degree at the University of Alabama.

For more information about the Jackson-George Regional Library System, visit online at [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).



**Sheeji Kathuria** has been named the Assistant Professor (Social Science Reference Librarian) at Mississippi State University's Mitchell Memorial Library.

Ms. Kathuria earned a master's degree in library and information science at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of Georgia.

She was a reference and instruction librarian at the University of Alabama in Huntsville's M. Louis Salmon Library and previously served as a reference librarian at Georgia Perimeter College in Alpharetta, Ga.

Ms. Kathuria served as chair of the hospitality committee for the International Festival of North Alabama. She is a member of the American Library Association and the Alabama Library Association. Kathuria served on the membership committee for the Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries and currently serves on the membership and mentoring committee for Asian and Pacific American Librarian Association.

In 2012, her work was published in a guide for newcomer integration and learning in technical support communities for Open Source Software at an annual conference on computer supported cooperative work. She also helped author "Race, Gender, and the Wage Gap: Comparing Faculty Salaries in Predominately White and Historically Black colleges and Universities" in *Gender & Society*.

At MSU, she will be part of a 12-member team responsible for the Reference and Campus Outreach Services to MSU students, staff and faculty.

**Neil Guilbeau** has been named Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Mississippiana, Rare Books and University Archives at Mississippi State University's Mitchell Memorial Library.

Mr. Guilbeau was previously employed as assistant archivist in Archives and Special Collections at Nicholls State University's Ellender Memorial Library in Thibodaux, La. He received the Nicholls State University Distinguished Faculty Award in 2009.

He earned a master's degree in library and information science from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge with a concentration in archives management. Mr. Guilbeau graduated McNeese State University, Lake Charles with a bachelor's degree in history and the University of Louisiana, Lafayette with a bachelor's degree in social science.

His work has been published numerous times including an extensive oral history collection "Veterans of Southeast Louisiana" while at Ellender Memorial Library. Mr. Guilbeau published over 100 interviews with veterans aged 25-100 of World War II to Iraq and Afghanistan. The project included video and photographs pertaining to their military service.

He has served as a member of the Society of American Archivists, Society of Southwest Archivists, and Southern Archivists Conference. Guilbeau has also served on the Louisiana Academic Library Information Network Consortium, Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association, and the Louisiana Library Association.

At MSU, Mr. Guilbeau will manage the Library's special collections and primarily the Mississippiana and Rare Book Collections.

**Kirsten Andrews** has been named Assistant Professor (Electronic Resources Librarian) at Mississippi State University's Mitchell Memorial Library.

Ms. Andrews earned a master's degree in library and information science at Simmons College in Boston and a bachelor of science in political science from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

She was previously employed as a Federal Government Research and Procurement Specialist with EBSCO Publishing in Ipswich, Mass.

At MSU, she is responsible for the library's collection of electronic resources with an emphasis on cataloging, subscription management, licensing, troubleshooting, access management, acquisitions, evaluation, and vendor relations.

**Hillary Richardson** has been named Humanities Librarian at Mississippi State University's Mitchell Memorial Library.

Ms. Richardson earned a master's degree in library and information science from the University of Southern Mississippi. She also holds a master's degree in English from the University of Mississippi, and she graduated Millsaps College with a bachelor's degree in English.

At Mitchell Memorial Library, Ms. Richardson previously served as Instructional Services Librarian and a Library Associate in Electronic Resources. She is a member of the Library's eResources and Emerging Technologies (LEETS) Committee and the Electronic Resources Evaluation Committee (EREC).

She was also an adjunct instructor at Mississippi University for Women in Columbus, Miss., where she taught English composition.

She is a member of the American Library Association and the Mississippi Library Association. While enrolled at USM, she was a member of the Southern Miss Student Archivists Association and the Library and Information Science Student Association. She serves as a judge for Destination Imagination in Mississippi Schools and has volunteered in the library and archives of Mississippi University for Women and the Eudora Welty House.

Last year Ms. Richardson's review of *Colonel William C. Faulkner: Death on the Courthouse Square* was published in the spring edition of *Mississippi Libraries*. Her work, "Revelations from the Literature: How Web-Scale Discovery Has Already Changed Us" was published in a 2013 issue of *Computers in Libraries*.

At MSU, she will be a member of the newly created Research Services Department at Mitchell Memorial Library, combining the reference, instruction, and government documents and services to serve the MSU community's research needs through in-person and virtual reference transactions, instruction, and consultations. She will serve MSU's Humanities departments as their subject librarian to provide services and materials that support academic growth and achievement.

## NORTH CAROLINA

### North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Jennifer Walker** is Cancer Information Librarian at the Health Sciences Library. Walker will provide specialized information services about cancer research and resources to the faculty, students, researchers, and staff from UNC's schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and public health. She will also serve as a resource for the clinicians and patients of UNC Hospitals and the citizens of North Carolina.

Prior to this appointment, she was research assistant professor and liaison to the College of Nursing at East Carolina University. She has also served as clinical informationist intern at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center and manager of the

Medical Library at Sacred Heart Health System in Pensacola, Fla.

She holds an M.S.L.S. with a concentration in health informatics from the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas, and a B.A. in public affairs journalism from The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.



**Josiah Drewry** is the new Social Sciences Librarian. As social sciences librarian, he will join the Davis Library Research and Instructional Services department as the subject librarian for the departments of Sociology and Political Science. He will apply state-of-the-art-technology to reference and research work, innovative outreach, evolving collection development, and dynamic data services.

Prior to this appointment, he served as user experience librarian at the American University in Cairo in Cairo, Egypt, and as librarian for outreach and instruction at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco. He holds a B.A. in psychology and an M.S.L.S. from the School of Information and Library Science at UNC.



**Jennifer Goforth** is Research and Design Services Librarian. Working with a team of librarians at the R.B. House Undergraduate Library, she will help shape the provision of research and technology services geared toward undergraduates. She will lead day-to-day activities of the Undergraduate Library Reference Desk and Design Lab, deliver instruction, and contribute to the development of online instructional materials.

Ms. Goforth most recently was instructor and web librarian at the University Library at Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C. She holds an M.S.L.S. from the School of Information and

Library Science at UNC and a B.A. in Anthropology from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.



The University Library is pleased to announce the appointment of **Joe Williams** as Director of Public Services. He has primary responsibility for developing library policy and implementation affecting all areas of information and access services. Reporting to the Deputy University Librarian, he will supervise and provide direction and support for eight department heads of public service units that include the R.B. House Undergraduate Library, Circulation, Interlibrary Services, and branch libraries. He will identify and develop integrated, strategic public services and will also manage staff, space, financial, and other resources to carry out service initiatives.

Prior to this appointment, he was Head of Access Services and Digital Media Commons for the University Libraries at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He has also served as the Director of the Learning Commons at North Carolina State University. Joe holds an M.S.L.S. from the School of Information and Library Science at UNC and a B.A. in Environmental Studies from Warren Wilson College in Asheville.



The University Library is pleased to welcome **Lisa Gregory** as Digital Projects Librarian for the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center, based in the North Carolina Collection at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Library.

Ms. Gregory will work with cultural heritage institutions and organizations across the state to digitize historic North Carolina materials and publish them online. She will oversee all aspects of digital project work, including digitization of original

materials, assignment of descriptive metadata, and online publication.

The Center is supported by the State Library of North Carolina with funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library and Services and Technology Act, and by the UNC-Chapel Hill University Library.

Prior to this appointment, she served as the digital projects manager as well as the digital projects liaison at the State Library of North Carolina.

She holds an M.S.L.S. from the School of Information and Library Science at UNC, an M.A. in English from the University of New Mexico, and a B.A. in English literature from Samford University in Birmingham, AL.



**Adam Dodd** has been named Head of the Web Developer Group. Adam will implement applications that provide access to resources, services, and information for library users and staff. He will help to define a vision and priorities for information technology, and will provide leadership to the HSL's Web Developer Group.

In this position, Mr. Dodd will be a member of the HSL's management team, bringing a technology perspective and assuring open communication across the library around technology issues.

Since July 2012, he has served as interim head of the Web Developer Group at the Health Sciences Library. He has also been the North Carolina Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) health informatics librarian and the AHEC digital library web/database developer.

Mr. Dodd holds a B.A. in political science from Guilford College in Greensboro, North Carolina, and an M.I.S. with a certificate in clinical information science from the School of Information and Library Science at UNC.



**Dawne Lucas** is the new Special Collections Librarian. Ms. Lucas will lead and manage the Health Sciences Library's special collections program. She will work closely with faculty, library staff, donors, and book dealers to develop special collections in the health sciences and promote historical scholarship using the collections. She will also support and encourage activities of the Bullitt History of Medicine Club and other units at UNC with an interest in the history of the health sciences.

Prior to this appointment, Ms. Lucas served as the head of Technical Services at the Duke University Medical Center Archives, and as a research assistant in the Southern Historical Collection at the UNC Library. She was also a library associate in the Special Collections Research Center at the North Carolina State University Libraries.

She holds an M.S.L.S. from the School of Information and Library Science at UNC, an M.A. in public history from North Carolina State University, and a B.A. in American history and journalism and mass communication from UNC.



The UNC Library is pleased to announce the appointment of **Emily Kader** as Rare Book Research Librarian at the Wilson Special Collections Library.

Ms. Kader will provide on-site and virtual researcher services for the Rare Book Collection. She will consult with researchers to identify relevant resources; help faculty and instructors



incorporate Rare Book Collection resources into classes and workshops; and create research and access tools. She will also assist the curator of rare books with acquisitions, donor relations, exhibitions, and programming.

She received her M.S.L.S. from UNC's School of Information and Library Science in December 2013. As a student, she was a Carolina Academic Library Associate (CALA), a competitive appointment administered jointly by the Library and the School.

Ms. Kader holds a B.A. in language and literature from the University of North Carolina at Asheville; an M.A. in English from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C.; and a Ph.D. in English from Emory University in Atlanta, where she was a teaching assistant, fellow, and visiting assistant professor.



The UNC Library is pleased to announce the appointment of **Elizabeth McCraw** as Special Collections and Humanities Cataloger at the Wilson Special Collections Library.

Ms. McCraw will be responsible for bibliographic control and metadata for rare and specialized published materials. She will also catalog humanities materials in the UNC Library's general collections.

Prior to her appointment, she worked as the special projects cataloger in the Wilson Special Collections Library. She also served as senior retrospective conversion and special projects cataloger in the Lilly Library, the rare book and manuscript library at Indiana University.

Ms. McCraw holds a bachelor of music in musical studies and English literature from the Crane School of Music at the State University of New York at Potsdam, an M.A. in music history from the University of Washington, in Seattle, and an M.L.S. with a specialization in music librarianship from Indiana University.



The University Library is pleased to announce the appointment of **Denise Soufi** as Middle Eastern Cataloger.

Ms. Soufi will perform original and complex adaptive cataloging of Arabic- and Persian-language materials in all formats, including serials and online. She will also handle Arabic-script materials and Francophone North African language materials, and will manage special cataloging projects.

Prior to this appointment, Ms. Soufi served as the Islamic manuscript cataloger in the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections at Princeton University. She has also worked as a freelance copy editor.

Ms. Soufi holds an M.L.I.S. from Rutgers in New Brunswick, N.J., an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Near Eastern studies from Princeton University, and a B.A. in physics from Cornell University.



#### University of North Carolina Greensboro

**Jennifer Motszko** has been appointed Manuscript Archivist Librarian at the University Libraries at UNC Greensboro. She had worked as Manuscripts Archivist at UNCG since 2008. Jennifer holds Master of Arts in History and Master of Library and Information Science degrees from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, and a B.A. in History from the University of Wisconsin at Madison.



**Karen Grigg** has been appointed Science Librarian at UNCG's University Libraries. Previously, she was Collection Development Services Librarian at Duke Medical Center Library & Archives from 2004-2013.



#### **New North Carolina Library Association President**

G. Dale Cousins is the newly elected President of the North Carolina Library Association, for the 2014-2015 biennium. She retired at the end of December 2013 after 35+ years as a librarian in various capacities with Wake County Public Libraries. Her most recent position was as Senior Library Manager where she concentrated on system communications, media relations, system awards and recognition, and community partnerships.

Ms. Cousins's work with Wake County Public Libraries began in 1971, in the Children's Department of the former downtown Raleigh Main Library. Over the past 35+ years, she worked in various library locations as a Page, Library Assistant, Information & Referral Specialist, Reference Librarian, and Assistant Library Manager. She managed the Cary Public Library in the mid 1980's and was the system Adult Services Coordinator in the early 1990's. In 1993, Dale returned to work at the Cameron Village Regional Library as Regional Manager.

She was named 1999 Wake County Employee of the Year. She coordinated the Library's Centennial Celebration in 2000, publishing a souvenir history of the system and establishing the Public Library Trust Fund with the Triangle Community Foundation. She took a leadership role in the 2005 library renovation of Cameron Village Library, based on similar work with building projects throughout the system.

She has been active in the North Carolina Library Association for decades and was installed as President at the October 2013 conference. She will serve in this role through 2015. She was the 2011 recipient of NCLA's Marilyn L. Miller award for Professional Commitment. She will serve on the Governor's State Library Commission from January 2012-December 2015. In the community, she is Secretary to the Board for the Literacy Council of Wake County and received the Volunteer of the Year Award from that agency in 2011. She is also the current Chair of the Executive Board for Wake County Smart Start and through December, 2014.

A native of Wake County, Dale received her Bachelor's Degree at NC State University and her Master's Degree in Library and Information Science from NC Central University. She has certificates from the UNC-CH School of Government in Developmental Supervision, Facilitative Leadership, and County/Municipal Government. She is a member of both the Raleigh Garden Club and the JC Raulston Arboretum.



#### **In Memorandum**

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is saddened to share news of the death of our recently retired colleague **Lynn Holdzkom**. She passed away July 12, 2013, in Chapel Hill.

Ms. Holdzkom retired in April after 25 years of service at UNC. She began her career here as a student employee while earning her MSLS in 1989 from the UNC School of Information and Library Science. She then moved into archival and technical services positions at UNC, and also spent one year as University Archivist at the University of Washington. Between 1987 and 1996, Lynn processed 468 manuscripts collections, the most of any UNC employee to date. In 2008, she became Head of Technical Services for the Wilson Special Collections Library.

In a retirement interview, Ms. Holdzkom told Library staff that the highlight of her career was being one of the authors of *Describing Archives: A Content Standard* (DACS)

It is in part for this achievement, as well as her many other contributions to the field, that the Society of American Archivists (SAA) named her as one of four new Fellows in 2013. There are currently 175 Fellows of SAA.

In announcing the award, SAA wrote: Ms. Holdzkom played a critical role in the Canadian-U.S. Task Force on Archival Description (CUSTARD) that attempted to develop an archival descriptive standard. When CUSTARD disintegrated, Holdzkom refused to accept defeat, pulling together American colleagues to create *Describing Archives: A Content Standard* (DACS), a set of rules for describing archives, personal papers, and manuscript collections. Ms. Holdzkom worked tirelessly to champion DACS, collaborating on a 2006 SAA Annual Meeting session and a highly important article published in *The American Archivist*, SAA's journal, in 2008.

One recommender wrote: "While DACS was definitely a group effort produced by like-minded individuals, Lynn . . . was the heart and soul of the rules. . . . DACS has had an enormous impact on archival description—not just in the U.S.—and much of that impact is due to Lynn's promulgation and ongoing support of the standard."

Among her colleagues, Lynn was known as a gifted teacher and mentor, who provided support, guidance, and friendship to many throughout her career.

She leaves her husband David, her son and daughter-in-law Nicholas and Elizabeth Holdzkom, members of her extended family, and a large circle of friends, colleagues, and students.



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