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# NEWS & VIEWS

## **SERVING IN IRAQ**

Tim Limkeman, Director of Library Services at the Seth Wilson Library, Ozark Christian College, Joplin, MO is currently serving with the 203rd Engineering Battalion in Iraq. Tim was called up in March of this year and has been in Iraq since May with a tentative return date of May 2004. Your prayers and notes of encouragement would be appreciated. Tim Limkeman, HSC Co Maint, 203d Engr Cbt Bn (Hvy) (1AD), Unit #92981, APO AE 09324-2981. Mark Sloneker, Assistant Director/Cataloger is Acting Director in Tim's absence.

*Submitted by Kathy Bowers, Reference Assistant, Seth Wilson Library, Ozark Christian College.*

## **PROMOTION RECEIVED**

After serving for a year as Interim Library Director, Jo Ann Rhodes has been named as "permanent" Library Director at Columbia International University. Previous to being Interim Director, Jo Ann worked at CIU as a cataloger and archivist for 18 years.

## **DEGREES RECEIVED**

Mark Sloneker, Assistant Director of Library Services at Ozark Christian College's Seth Wilson Library, earned his Master of Arts in Information Science & Learning Technologies from the University of Missouri-Columbia on December 22, 2002.

Robin Hartman, Assoc. Librarian (Systems & Tech Services) Darling Library - Hope International University, completed the MLIS degree in May 2003 through the School of Library & Information Science of San Jose State University. She was honored to be chosen by the faculty to speak at the commencement ceremony <http://witloof.sjsu.edu/graduation/graduation03.htm>.

## **HONORARY LUNCHEON**

In November, a formal luncheon was held to celebrate Technical Services Librarian Lori Johnson's 25 years of service to Moody Bible Institute. In December, 2003, a special luncheon will be held to celebrate the retirement of Reference Librarian Walter Osborn after 31 years of service. Wally will continue on a part-time basis.

In 2004, the Department Manager of the library, Roger A. van Oosten, will celebrate 10 years of service at MBI and 25 years of library work.

## **NEW LIBRARY NEWSLETTER**

Regent University Library Link is the name of a new online library newsletter being issued by the library. The newsletter is created using Rocket Science © software. The issues are going out electronically to email subscribers and the issues also are posted on the library web pages. If you would like to view this new newsletter, please go to: [http://www.regent.edu/general/library/about\\_the\\_library/news\\_publications/](http://www.regent.edu/general/library/about_the_library/news_publications/)

*Submitted by Sandra Yaegle, Reference Librarian, Regent University Library, Virginia Beach, Virginia.*

## **NEW PERSONNEL**

The William G. Squires Library is pleased to announce the addition of two new professional librarians to its staff. Mr. Andy Taylor has assumed duties as Information Systems Librarian and Mr. Louis Morgan is the new librarian for Library Instruction. Mr. Taylor is a graduate of Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee and worked in the computer support area of the library while earning his graduate degree in library science from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville (UTK). Mr. Morgan, also recently completed his library degree from UTK, is a Lee University

graduate who was previously the archivist at the Dixon Pentecostal Research Center which is housed in the same building as the Squires Library. Both men bring unique strengths to the team. *Submitted by Donald Smeeton, Squires Library, Lee University/Church of God Theological Seminary.*

Liberty University is pleased to announce Sara Pengsard's appointment as Resource Management Librarian. Sara is a recent graduate of the School of Information Science and Learning Technologies at the University of Missouri Columbia.

## **NEW POSITIONS**

In July 2003, Jasmine Vaughan, formerly of Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, accepted the new position of Instructional Services Librarian at Olivet Nazarene University's Benner Library. Vaughan's responsibilities include coordinating instruction sessions and information literacy as well as managing the government documents collection.

Ron Bunger is moving from Technical Services Librarian at Cumberland College in Kentucky to Branch Library Director, Psychological Studies Institute in Chattanooga, Tenn., in January 2004.

## **ACCREDITATION AND NAME CHANGE**

The Hispanic Baptist Theological School in San Antonio, Texas has achieved two major accomplishments during 2003. In January the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board issued us a certificate of authority to grant a degree for the Bachelor of Arts with a major in Biblical/Theological Studies and in September they were granted accreditation by the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges. To

further bless us, the Lord led our denomination to vote affirmatively and accept our new name: Baptist University of the Americas.

*Submitted by Teresa B. Martinez, Interim Library/LRC Director, Hispanic Baptist Theological School.*

#### ARTICLE PUBLISHED

Dorothy N. Bowen, Curriculum and Instruction (Library Science), Eastern Kentucky University, had an article published in the Fall 2003 *Kentucky Libraries*, Vol. 67, No. 4 entitled "The Image of Libraries and Librarians in Children's Literature."

#### GENEALOGY ARTICLES PUBLISHED

Lori Thornton, Asst. Prof., Technology & Serials Librarian, Carson-Newman College had these articles published in a book which came out in May: "Adding Branches to Your Family Tree," in *500 Brickwall Solutions to Genealogy Problems* (Toronto: Moorshead Magazines, 2003), p. 7. "Unexpected Locations," in *500 Brickwall Solutions to Genealogy Problems* (Toronto: Moorshead Magazines, 2003), p. 11., and "Genealogical Research in the Academic Library," *Itawamba Settlers*, vol. 23, no. 3 (Autumn 2003):107-11.

#### NEW CONSORTIUM FORMED

The Seattle Pacific University library has doubled its collection to 22 million items. A recent merger of the Orbis consortium catalog and the Cascade catalog now offers over 22 million monographic items to students and faculty of Seattle Pacific University. The new consortium—the Orbis Cascade Alliance—is composed of twenty-seven college and university libraries in Oregon and Washington. The Alliance is unique (as far as I know) in that it offers a union catalog and courier service to institutions in two states; it includes all publicly supported colleges and universities in the two states as well as 11 private institutions (SPU is one of three in the

state of Washington). Even as the consortium continues to add members, the use of regional materials by Seattle Pacific University demonstrates an upward growth pattern—and is expected to enrich the information retrieval activities of local patrons for years to come.

*Submitted by J. Ray Doerksen, University Librarian, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, Washington.*

#### NEW LIBRARY SYSTEM PRESIDENT

In January, Susan Watkins, Director of Library Services, Nease Library, Eastern Nazarene College, will begin her term as President of SEMLS, the South Eastern Massachusetts (Regional) Library System. SEMLS is one of six multi-type library systems funded through and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The 380 libraries in SEMLS include public, academic, school and special libraries in 86 communities. SEMLS provides databases, continuing education, delivery, cooperative purchasing and programming to eligible libraries and is funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Board of Library Commissioners.

#### NEW LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

At Moody Bible Institute, the library and music library have merged into Education Technology Services (ETS) to become the Crowell Learning Resource Center. About half of the library was shifted this past summer to make a more efficient arrangement for the combined AV and library materials. Computers, music, and other audiovisual materials are now available many more hours per week.

*Submitted by Roger A. van Oosten, Department Manager—Library, Moody Bible Institute*

#### REMODELING

During the summer of 2003, the William G. Squires Library, Lee

University, Cleveland, Tenn., remodeled one wing of its three story building. Since much of interior of the building had remained untouched since the building was new 18 years ago, the decor was very dated. During the remodeling of the Serials Area, new carpet was laid, the walls painted, new end panels installed and comfortable seating was purchased. The result is a area that is more open and more inviting. Now it is the first part of the building to fill up with students. The library engaged the design firm of Hart Freeland Roberts, Inc. of Nashville to oversee the project. (This is same firm that designed the beautiful new downtown Nashville Public Library.)

#### NEW FACILITY

Southern Evangelical Seminary moved from its temporary quarters to a new facility in July, 2003. The new building doubled the space for the library. A generous donation also permitted the addition of several new computers and some Biblical software. The new library was named in honor of SES board member Susan Jamison, an enthusiastic supporter of the library. *Submitted by Ron Jordahl, Director, Jamison Library, Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, SC.*

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