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NEWSLETTER

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Joe Kearney passes the reins to Dave Eichmann, new director of SLIS.

Whew! It has been a whirlwind year in the School of Library and Information Science. I'll be finishing an invigorating two-year appointment as Interim Director on July 1 to resume my position in the Computer Science Department. My office window overlooks the Main Library, and you can be sure that the School will remain in my mind, heart, and peripheral vision for a long time to come.

New director

I'm delighted that **Dave Eichmann** agreed to become the new Director of the School. Dave is very familiar with the library and information science communities and is well-recognized on campus. He has an excellent record of teaching and scholarship in information retrieval and extraction. Among Dave's recent challenges was the teaching of a record 2400+ first-semester students in the Online@lowa course last fall semester. To the best of my knowledge, this gives Dave the distinction of teaching the largest single class in

University of Iowa history – good preparation for an administrative post. I'm happy to be leaving the School in such good and experienced hands.

A goodbye

This has been a year of hellos and goodbyes. I'll begin my brief synopsis of happenings at the School by starting at the end of the year with the big goodbye.

After 32 years of extraordinary dedication and service, Ethel Bloesch is retiring from the School. For those of you who missed her retirement party, it was a blast — a wonderful celebration of Ethel's enormous contributions. Now you might think that one would wind down to the last day of a rich and productive career in a mood of reflection and contemplation. Well it looks to me like Ethel is winding up instead of winding down. Her vitality and creativity amaze me. I take it as a personal challenge to maintain the level of vigor and passion that Ethel exhibits every day throughout the rest of my career. It has been an enormous pleasure to work with Ethel the last two years. She will be greatly missed by all.

New faculty

As Ethel and I dance out the door, we are enormously pleased to greet two excellent new additions to the faculty: Dr. Rebecca Platzner and Dr. Marc Light. Rebecca Platzner joins us from the School of Communication, Information & Library Studies at Rutgers University, where she recently completed her Ph.D. Her interests lie in children's and youth literature and services. We were all very impressed by Rebecca's presentation based on her dissertation research on the value of story in the lives of young adults. She handled a delicate subject with sensitivity, compassion, and depth of understanding.

Marc Light comes to lowa from the MITRE Corporation where he is principal scientist in the Department of Intelligent Information Access. He will be jointly appointed in the Department of Linguistics and SLIS. Marc's research focuses on combining statistical modeling, natural language processing, and information retrieval to answer questions from large document collections. He brings a wealth of experience working in some of the top laboratories in computational linguistics in the world.

Accreditation activities

Much of our attention this year was dedicated to our ALA accreditation review. This June, Dave Eichmann and I will meet with the Committee on Accreditation to learn the final outcome of the review. While it is premature to discuss the details, we all felt that the Review Panel wrote a careful, conscientious, and fair report. The review was a collaborative effort involving important contributions from members of the administration, the faculty, a large number of students, the Advisory Panel, employers of our graduates, and alumni. Thanks to all of you who participated. The Review Team was very impressed by the strength of the community in which the School is situated.

News from the School

Christine Pawley received the Benjamin F. Shambaugh Award for the book judged to be the most significant book on lowa History published last year for her book Reading on the Middle Border: The Culture of Print in Late Nineteenth-Century Osage, Iowa. We're extremely proud of this recognition of Christine's scholarship. This summer Christine is conducting research on the Door-Kewaunee Regional Library Demonstration during

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TWO NEW PROFESSORS JOIN FACULTY

We are delighted to announce the appointments of Dr. Rebecca Platzner and Dr. Marc Light to the faculty, with the rank of Assistant Professor, effective August 20, 2002.

Rebecca Platzner



Rebecca Platzner will teach primarily in the area of children's and youth literature and services. She recently completed her Ph.D. from the School of Communication, Informa-

tion & Library Studies at Rutgers University, where she taught Materials for Children and Materials for Young Adults. Her research has focused on the value of story in the lives of young adults, particularly in relation to topics that are generally considered difficult in nature. Her dissertation is entitled: The Rhetoric of Telling in Young Adult Literature about Incest. Dr. Platzner has published works in a variety of disciplinary venues, including ALAN Review, Women & Language, The Katherine Sharp Review, and Knowledge Quest.

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the Cold War period. A new collaborative project with Jim Elmborg on Carnegie Libraries in Iowa is described elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Jim Elmborg expanded his successful collaboration with the University Libraries on experience-based learning. This year three student interns worked with the Library's User Education Program teaching patrons how to access, handle, and interpret information. The student participants and Jim will be giving a presentation on their experience at the ALA meeting in Atlanta this June. Next year, the program will be extended to include a student placed at UNI, and negotiations are in progress to establish linkages with other institutions around the state.

Marc Light



Marc Light comes to The University of Iowa from the MITRE Corporation in Bedford, Massachusetts, where he is principal scientist in the Department of Intelligent

Information Access. His research has focused on combining statistical modeling, natural language processing, and information retrieval. He has applied and extended techniques from these three fields in an attempt to build a system that can extract answers from large document collections. He is also involved in projects that enable computer understanding of human language. At Iowa he will hold a joint appointment in Linguistics and Library and Information Science. He completed M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in . Computer Science at the University of Rochester and has previous research experience at the Universities of Tübingen and Stuttgart.

Padmini Srinivasan is having a productive year visiting the National Library of Medicine Lister Hill Research Center as part of her appointment as a Faculty Scholar. This year she and Dave Eichmann coauthored a book chapter on Topic Detection and Tracking and an article on adaptive filtering of newswire stories for the Journal of Information Retrieval. We all look forward to her return to the School next January.

Lastly, I want to thank the Advisory Panel, faculty, staff, students, and librarians throughout the state for your support over the past two years. I appreciate the opportunity to have been part of your community and look foward to interacting with the School and members of the library community in new ways in the coming years.

—Joe Kearney joe-kearney@uiowa.edu

THE LIBRARY AS PLACE

"Carnegie Libraries in Iowa Project" (CLIP) is a new research project headed by Professors Jim Elmborg and Christine Pawley, working in collaboration with Dr. Shana Stuart and SLIS students.

A century ago, over one hundred Iowa cities and villages wrote proposals for Carnegie Library buildings which the Carnegie Corporation then funded in partnership with the communities themselves. Generations of Iowans learned to make use of the Carnegie buildings, which often bore a distinct architectural resemblance to each other. The library's spatial features in concert with the managerial, technical and gendered nature shaped both the library functions and users' experiences. One hundred years later, many of the original Carnegie libraries are still in use as libraries, while some have been converted for commercial or other public purposes, and replaced by newer structures that reflect changes in public library ideals and practices. Yet irrespective of the fate of individual buildings, Carnegie libraries as a group remain symbolic of the importance of 'place" and of the public library in Iowa's communities.

The initial stage of CLIP will create a visual and written inventory of Iowa's Carnegie libraries, store the results in a searchable database, and make the database publicly available. Subsequent phases will focus on analyzing the data from sociological, historical, geographic, aesthetic and technical perspectives, and on sharing the analysis and data with the public both in Iowa and nationally by means of web-based presentations, publishing articles in popular and scholarly journals, and perhaps an exhibition.

—Christine Pawley christine-pawley@uiowa.edu

FORMER FACULTY - WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The School of Library and Information Science opened its doors in 1967. To celebrate the School's 35th birthday, we asked all former tenured and tenure-track faculty to tell us what they're doing now. Here are their messages, beginning with a greeting from Louane Newsome. The rest follow chronologically by their last year of service at Iowa. We thank them for their great contribution to the vitality of the School. We recognize also the contribution made by our visiting and adjunct faculty over the course of these 35 years.

A special message from one of our founders:

Louane L. Newsome (taught at Iowa 1957-73)

I may be the only ex-faculty member who was one of the group that planned the original School of Library Science. For several years I had been teaching basic library science courses in the College of Education when President Willard L. Boyd and Dean Howard Jones, of the College of Education, persuaded the Board of Regents to seek funds from the Legislature for the establishment of a library school. It was a glorious day in 1967 when Professor Frederick Wezeman, from the University of Minnesota Library School, took up his responsibilities as new director and opened the first classes with Professors Andrew Hansen, Clyde Greve, myself and others. My teaching concentrated on courses to prepare school media specialists.

Today I am still interested in materials for children and young people and attend a monthly session on books, videos, etc., for young people.

I live in my own apartment in the Oaknoll Retirement Residence and find it to be a comfortable, congenial facility. I am now 95 years old and thus find it a bit difficult to get about other than within the Oaknoll building. I play bridge, attend the Oaknoll programs, read and watch all Hawkeye games of both the women and the men. My days are never dull or boring because life still holds much of interest for me.

I am proud of our graduates and take pleasure in the fine professional positions which they hold. Over the last years many library schools have been phased out of existence, but ours continues to fill a vital educational need. My pride in our current administrators, faculty and students is great.

Go Hawks!!!

Clyde Greve (taught at Iowa 1963-1968)

Don Empson (taught at Iowa 1967-1970)

After leaving Iowa City, I worked several years at the Minnesota Historical Society. Around 1976, I established my own business repairing antique clocks and watches. A few years later I began investing in real estate paper, which proved to be quite profitable, and in 1988 I more or less retired — a decision that was reinforced by an intractable lifelong case of Crohn's Disease. Today, at age 60, I live in Stillwater, MN, where I have been writing local history and devising a new library classification system based on aromas.

Don Langworthy (taught at Iowa 1968-1970)

Before I left Iowa I had taken a position as librarian of a new community college in the Twin Cities metro area—Inver Hills Community College. I only intended to stay there for two or three years, in keeping with my past employment history, but ended up spending the rest of my career there. I retired last July. I have many interests, among them reading eclectically, tree farming, landscape gardening, writing, and theater.

Andrew Hansen (taught at Iowa 1967-1971)

As a fugitive from full-time retirement, I work a few regularly scheduled hours each month at the Wilmette Public Library, as well as substituting in both the Wilmette and Glenview libraries. It is now eight years since I retired after nearly 23 years at ALA. Community involvement includes an appointment to the Wilmette Transportation Commission, along with Rotary and church activities.

Leah Hiland (taught at Iowa 1969-72 and then at the University of Northern Iowa until her retirement)

Cliff Lange (taught at Iowa 1971-73)

I have been the director of the Carlsbad (California) City Library since June of 1982. Carlsbad is a beautiful, oceanside city of 84,000 residents. We opened a new main library of 64,000 square feet in September of 1999. The building includes a 221-seat auditorium and a 2,000-square-foot art gallery. It has been a wonderful twenty years here.

Bill Asp (taught at Iowa 1970-75)

I was director of the Minnesota state library agency from 1975 until 1996. Since then I have been director of Dakota County Library, serving 335,000 people in the fast-growing southern suburbs of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Dakota County Library employs seven graduates of the UI Library School!

Virginia Witucke (taught at Iowa 1973-76)

I am retired, and spend most of my time traveling, volunteering, and reading. I got one more degree before I packed it in, a Master of Adult and Continuing Education. My last ten working years were spent as an off-campus librarian for Central Michigan University, which involved a lot of telephone reference and instruction, and travel (no wonder I stayed ten years!) to our sites around the country.

Mildred Laughlin (taught at Iowa 1973-79 and then at the University of Oklahoma where she established an annual children's book festival. She died September 19, 1994)

Bob Swisher (taught at Iowa 1975-79 and is now at the University of Oklahoma)

Fred Wezeman (was director of SLIS from 1966 until his retirement in 1980. He died November 2, 1981)

Terry Weech (taught at Iowa 1976-80 and is now at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

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Pauletta Bracy (taught at Iowa 1979-81 and is now at North Carolina Central University)

Jeanne Osborn (taught at Iowa 1971-82)

After I retired I stayed in Iowa City over ten years — till 1995. Among other things, I worked on genealogy, mostly at the Iowa Historical Society Library. Then I got tired of mowing the yard all summer, raking leaves all fall, and shoveling snow all winter, so I moved to the John Knox Village Retirement Center in Lee's Summit, MO. I keep myself feeling useful as a volunteer medical escort.

Jim Kusack (taught at Iowa 1979-82)

After leaving Iowa, I returned to Indiana University to complete my dissertation. That done, I settled at Southern Connecticut State University in 1985. I've had a great time here teaching core courses, management, and the academic libraries class. My wife and I and our great spotted cat live in Hamden, just north of New Haven.

Agnes Stahlschmidt (taught at Iowa 1979-84)

I did libraries for a few years, but I missed teaching so I went back into the classroom and have been teaching for twelve years at the primary level. For the past three years, I've been teaching 3rd grade at Bonillas Basic Curriculum Magnet School. Parviz and I still do a lot of traveling. Last summer, we were in Portugal and southern Spain. This year, it will be Prague and Denmark for a month.

Pat Coady (taught at Iowa 1981-86)

For the past twelve years, I have been director of the Dearborn (Michigan) Public Library. Both Carole and I have family in Michigan, including a grandson. Currently, I am involved in the work of a major city-wide organizational redevelopment. In the library, we are working toward creating relationships with all our community groups.

Terry Brooks (taught at Iowa 1982-86)

I'm completing my 16th year at the University of Washington. Grant is now 19 and attends the University of Western Washington. Alexandra is 13, going on 18! Jane works downtown at a law library. I'm still teaching information technology, but now to undergrads

as well as MLIS students. My online vita, which includes a recent photo, is at http://faculty.washington.edu/tabrooks/vita/vita.html.

Gerald Hodges (taught at Iowa 1985-89)

I am the Associate Executive Director for Communications and Marketing at the American Library Association in Chicago. I live three blocks from Wrigley Field, which seems just right, since many of you may remember my Cubs mania

Kathleen M. Tessmer (taught at Iowa 1982-91)

I am retiring AGAIN in June, this time from my 'post-retirement' job as library media specialist at Sauk Trail Elementary School in Middleton, Wisconsin. I was recently honored by the University of Wisconsin-Madison, College of Education as "A Distinguished Teacher of Teachers," in recognition of long-term support of the School's field-experience programs.

Julie Tallman (taught at Iowa 1990-93 and is now at the University of Georgia)

Esther G. Bierbaum (taught at Iowa 1983-95)

I retired six years ago and returned home to St. Petersburg, Florida, suffering through blazing summers, and fondly remembering freezing to death through twelve-and-a-half Iowa winters. The 2nd edition of Museum Librarianship was published by McFarland in 2000. I served a term as chair of the Museums, Arts and Humanities Division of SLA; was Clerk of Session for three years; and have otherwise found plenty of ways to fill a daily to-do list. In October 2000 I traveled to Madrid to deliver a paper on U.S. museum libraries before a gathering of some 250 Spanish museum librarians. Oh, yes-and I visit grandchildren and other spots of interest, and return to Iowa City from time to time.

Jim Rice (taught at Iowa 1982-97)

I am retired and living in Iowa City where I do volunteer work with Iowa City Hospice and the Crisis Center. I also have a part time job at Barnes and Noble, but I have plenty of time for puttering and recreation.

Carl Orgren (taught at Iowa 1970-99; was director 1980-96)

If the speed with which the past three years have disappeared is any indica-

tion. I think early retirement was a good choice. During that time we have had two large family reunions - one on Key Largo, and one at my father's birthplace, Colorado Springs. I have traveled with my children to visit family, twice to Sweden, and once to Germany. I have taught three courses in the School. Day-to-day activities, though, are most rewarding, and include cooking, woodworking, tending an orchid collection started as a result of a gift at my retirement, and spending time with family. Two of my three granddaughters live within blocks, and we have the opportunity to babysit with them regularly, a most delightful element of our lives. Recently I revisited my Michigan roots through the purchase of a Corvette (Z06 for you gearheads). I think of it as my motorcycle with a roof.

Jean Donham (taught at Iowa 1993-99)

I am College Librarian and Associate Professor at Cornell College in Mount Vernon. I have recently published a book entitled *Inquiry Based Learning*, co-authored with Carol Kuhlthau, Kay Bishop and Dianne Oberg.

Sharon (Shay) Baker (taught at Iowa 1987-2000)

Greetings to all. I am now CEO of DesignWorks2000, a small graphic design firm in Columbus, Ohio. I am taking art classes on the side at the Columbus College of Art and Design and at Ohio State University. I still consult on marketing and design issues for public and school libraries. Karen Nyholm Wallace and I published last fall the second edition of *The Responsive* Public Library Collection (Libraries Unlimited, 2001). As a volunteer, I organize and manage the collection of materials for adults at the Ronald McDonald House and am a member of the Westerville Public Library friends group. My e-mail address is designworks_2000@yahoo.com.

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A Retirement Celebration Almost as Memorable as Ethel Bloesch Herself



Carl Orgren and Jean Donham, planners of the event, welcomed the guests.



Esther Bierbaum was a surprise guest from St. Petersburg, FL.

Ethel Reacts

Jane is right. I was overwhelmed by the fabulous party. All Carl had told me in advance was the date and the place to come. I never could have imagined such a warm and rollicking evening, surrounded by so many well-wishers. Thanks to all of you who came or sent wonderful messages.

When I joined the School of Library Science in February 1970, I had no way of knowing what the coming years would bring. Now, in looking back, I consider these 32 years to be a special gift. Meeting and working with so many wonderful people has greatly enriched my life. Keeping in touch with former students who have found rewarding careers has been especially gratifying.

As I close this chapter in my life, I thank you for your expressions of support in the past and your good wishes for the future.

—Ethel Bloesch ethel-bloesch@uiowa.edu



Ninety-five colleagues, friends, and students gathered in the Wayne Richey Ballroom of the Iowa Memorial Union on Friday, May 10, to pay tribute to Ethel Bloesch for 32 years of dedicated service to the School of Library and Information Science. Ethel was as close to being overwhelmed as we have seen her by what she felt was excessive praise, but she maintained her composure throughout and capped off the evening with a brilliant and warm impromptu speech. That the praise she received was in fact well earned was evident in the proud faces of all. Ethel has played a leading role in shaping the School ever since she joined the School as Assistant to the Director in February of 1970. Her ability to combine devotion to high academic and professional

standards with her remarkably personal attention to each member of the SLIS community enabled her to set the tone for the School's development and success. As an administrator devoted to the needs of the School, Ethel developed and maintained strong ties with the Iowa library community, national LIS organizations, and University of Iowa administrators, librarians, and faculty. She also found the time to mentor hundreds of students, helping many to find a niche that they may not otherwise have envisioned achieving.

Her invaluable service to the School and to the profession is greatly appreciated, not only by those present at the occasion, but also to uncounted other alumni and friends of the University. Along with her service, Ethel's well-known love for music was also evident at the party, as her son Peter arranged a lovely musical tribute, sung by Marie Von Behren and accompanied by Ethel's husband Richard. The songs included a fractured version of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "I Can't Say No," which became "I Can't Quit Work." Although the question was raised by her brother Paul as to whether or not she would "fail" her retirement, we hope she will find occasion to say no, at least enough to finally have some well-deserved time just for herself.

—Jane Bradbury jane-bradbury@uiowa.edu



Feili Tu flew in from San Jose, CA, for the party, joined here by Ethel Bloesch and Jean Donham.





ALUMNI NEWS

1973

JIM MULLINS is assistant director for administration of libraries at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.

MARY WEGNER was named state librarian of Iowa last October.

1974

CAROL FINCH is coordinator of children and teen services for the Phoenix (AZ) Public Library.

1975

STEVE GROVE is medical librarian at Metro General Hospital in Cleveland, OH.

ANN MORGAN is engineering librarian at California State Polytechnic University in Pomona, CA.

1976

JANICE BACINO is medical librarian at St. Peter's Hospital in Helena, MT.

1977

SUSAN CATTERALL, researcher at Leonard, Street and Deinard in Minneapolis, MN, is Special Libraries Association, Legal Division, liaison to the American Bar Association.

1982

SHEILA OSTERHOUDT CARLBLOM is director of library services at Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN.

1983

DIANE E. JOHNSON is an assistant professor in communication (tenuretrack) at Truman State University, Kirksville, MO.

1984

CINDY KUNDE has been appointed media specialist at Hills Elementary School, Iowa City Community Schools.

1985

DAVID LASOCKI has been promoted in rank from associate librarian to librarian at Indiana University, where he is head of reference services in the Cook Music Library.

1986

GARY A. BOTOS, collection development librarian at Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids, was elected president of the Kirkwood Faculty Association for 2001-2002.

1988

LINNEA CALDEEN is the director of the learning resource center at the Art Institute of Phoenix, in Phoenix, AZ.

THERESA JEHLIK is coordinator of training and staff development at the Omaha (NE) Public Library.

1992

WENDY ROBERTSON is now electronic resources technical services librarian at the UI Libraries.

1993

MARJORIE SHAW is cataloger at the La Vista (NE) Public Library.

1994

SARA GLENN is reference librarian in the Curriculum Resources Lab of the UI College of Education.

STUART HINDS is local history reference librarian at the Johnson County Library, Overland Park, KS.

1995

ELLYSA STERN CAHOY is information literacy librarian at Penn State University, University Park, PA.

DALE HEATH is assistant head of adult services at the Mount Prospect (IL) Public Library.

1996

STEPHANIE BENTS is adult services librarian at the Pikes Peak Library District, Colorado Springs, CO.

JULIE LARSON has been named coordinator of media and instructional technology for the Iowa City Community Schools.

LISA MARTINCIK is head of the Information Arcade at UI Libraries.

1997

BARB BERGMAN is media librarian at Minnesota State University, Mankato.

REBECCA TEASDALE is now customer service administrator for the Central Library at the Multnomah County Library, Portland, OR.

1998

THERESA HEPKER is now a cataloger at Utah State University, Logan, UT. She joins two other SLIS grads, CHERYL ADAMS (1996) and KURT MEYER (1989) in the cataloging department at Utah State. Thus, Iowa grads constitute 50% of that department, located some 1176 miles from their alma mater.

REBECCA LUTKENHAUS is documents and maps librarian and bibliographer at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

BARB ROBB is reference/ILL librarian at Iowa Wesleyan College, Mt. Pleasant.

KAREN WOOD is head of reference at Chatham College, Pittsburgh, PA.

1999

WILLIAM BOATMAN is reference/ instruction librarian at the University of Houston, Clear Lake, TX.

REBECCA FORD is now advancement manager for university libraries at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

SUSAN HENRICKS was named director of the Carnegie-Stout Public Library in Dubuque.

NATASHA KAHN is a librarian in municipal information service at the Pasadena (CA) Public Library.

TRICIA KANE was promoted to head of extension services at the Rock Island (IL) Public Library.

2000

MARK ARNESON is reference/ government documents librarian at the State Library of South Dakota in Pierre.

ALYSIA PEICH is reference and electronic resources librarian at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design, Minneapolis, MN.

ERICKA RABER is instruction librarian, TWIST program, at UI Libraries.

IN MEMORIAM

DONA FAE PARK ('71) of Iowa City, IA, died January 31, 2002.

Mark your calendar now

The 34th Annual Festival of Books for Young People will be held Saturday, October 26.

Featured speakers will be **Emily Arnold McCulley**, illustrator of more than 100
children's books and winner of the Caldecott
Medal for *Mirette on the High Wire*; **Gail Carson Levine**, author of the Newbery
Honor Book, *Ella Enchanted*; and **Gillian Engberg**, assistant editor of *Booklist*.

For more information, call the School toll-free at 1-800-553-IOWA, Ext. 5707, or send a request to slis@uiowa.edu

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FACULTY NEWS

Jim Elmborg gave presentations this spring at the Iowa ACRL conference in Newton and at a workshop at the University of New Brunswick. In June he will do a poster session at ALA and a panel presentation at LOEX-ofthe-West 2002 in Eugene, OR. In July he travels to Utah to give a talk at the Writing Program Administrators National Conference in Park City. He serves on the Advisory Panel for ACRL's Best Practices in Information Literacy initiative. An article "Teaching at the Desk: Toward a Reference Pedagogy" will appear in portal: Libraries and the Academy.

David Eichmann continues his research in information retrieval and extraction. Together with Padmini Srinivasan he authored a book chapter on Topic Detection and Tracking and an article on adaptive filtering of newswire stories for the *Journal of Information Retrieval*. His Online@Iowa course last fall had a record 2400+ students enrolled.

Christine Pawley's book, Reading on the Middle Border: The Culture of Print in Late Nineteenth Century Osage, Iowa (University of Massachusetts Press, 2001) won the 2002 Benjamin F. Shambaugh Award from the State Historical Society of Iowa for the most important book on Iowa history. This year she also published

several articles on her research into reading in the rural Midwest and on LIS education, and has given presentations in Kearney, NE, New Orleans, Philadelphia, and St. Louis, as well as in Iowa City.

Padmini Srinivasan writes that she is happily doing research at the Lister Hill Center of the National Library of Medicine and is enjoying living in the DC area. She is on leave this semester and next as part of her UI Faculty Scholar award. She is working on MeSHmap, a prototype text mining system that exploits the co-occurrence relationships between MeSH terms in MEDLINE.

Appointments of 2001 graduates

DIANE DOWNEY BROWN: media specialist, Muscatine (IA) Community Schools.

JEREMY BROWN: reference librarian, Central College, Pella.

KRISTINE CAWLEY: reference librarian, Rock Island (IL) Public Library.

TORU CHIBA: electronic services librarian, Fairmont State College, Fairmont, WV.

SARAH CLENDINENG: adult services librarian, Albert Lea (MN) Public Library.

JOANNA COREY LOCHNER, head of reference, Jackson-Madison County Library, Jackson, TN.

JULIA DINVILLE: adult services librarian, Bellevue (NE) Public Library.

SUSAN EIMAS: reference librarian, Eastern Loudoun Regional Library, Sterling, VA.

STEPHAN FRISCHKORN: media specialist, Roosevelt Middle School, Cedar Rapids.

ANNE GEHRINGER: visiting information and educational services librarian, Hardin Library for the Health Sciences, UI.

CONNIE GHINAZZI: reference librarian/liaison to natural sciences division, Augustana College, Rock Island, IL.

RYAN GJERDE: bibliographic librarian/visiting assistant professor, Luther College, Decorah.

JULIE HERRON: media specialist, Oregon (IL) Community Schools.

BARBARA LEPIC: teacher, Grant Wood Elementary School, Iowa City.

DENISE LEVENHAGEN: director, J.C. Clegg Public Library, Central City.

WILLIAM MUSSER: academic technology librarian/assistant professor, Luther College, Decorah.

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H J PEDELTY: library assistant IV in circulation, UI Libraries.

MARY ROHLK: K-12 library media specialist and assistant technology director, Battle Creek-Ida Grove (IA) Community Schools.

CANDICE SMITH: library aide, Iowa City Public Library.

CLINT WREDE: cataloging librarian, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC.

MINYU ZHOU: librarian and technology consultant, Kenyon College, Gambier, OH.

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