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A FEW WORDS FROM THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN

As you will see in this issue of the newsletter, there are several new faces at the Libraries. There are also some familiar library administrators in new positions. The Libraries have completed a reorganization of administrative positions that will better align us to address new challenges in meeting research and instructional needs of the contemporary research library, and to achieve the goals of our strategic plan.

As with our peer institutions, we recognize the need to develop responsive services that address the way undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty now work, reconfigure library space to better support research and learning, and focus attention on both planning and assessment to ensure that our initiatives are synchronized with university goals and measured effectively. As a result, we have recruited two new librarians to fill one vacant and one new position, and given new responsibilities to three familiar library administrators.

Valeda Dent has joined the Rutgers University Libraries as Associate University Librarian for Research and Instructional Services. We created this new position by merging administrative responsibility for all public services' staff and librarians on the New Brunswick campus with university-wide responsibility for the Libraries' service programs and policies,

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NEW LEADERS AT THE LIBRARIES

The Rutgers University Libraries are pleased to welcome a number of newly appointed administrators and subject-specialist librarians into our library system.

Valeda Dent is the new Associate University Librarian for Research and Instructional Services for the Libraries. She comes to Rutgers from the Hunter College Libraries in New York City where she was Head of Reference and Associate Professor. Her research interests include assessment of information literacy skills, the impact of technology on the library learning environment, and the connection between literacy, rural community libraries and economic development. Valeda has a record of research projects, grant awards, publications, and presentations. Prior to Hunter, she served in the UK as Senior Project Manager for the eLib Programme's MALIBU Project, based at King's College, Oxford, and Southampton University. Valeda holds a Master of Social Work (MSW) and a Master of Science in Information (MSI) from the University of Michigan. She has taught graduate level courses at the University of Michigan's School of Information, and undergraduate information literacy courses at the City University of New York.



Lila Fredenburg is the new Director of Administrative Services for the Libraries. Lila holds a BA with

honours from McGill University in English, an MLS from the University of Illinois, and a JD from the Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University.

Lila was most recently the Associate Director for Planning and Administrative Services at Florida State University. Previous to that, she held positions as Human Resources Librarian at Princeton University, and was the Libraries' Human Resources Officer at Indiana University, where she was also an adjunct faculty member at their School of Library and Information Services. Earlier, she was Director of Human Resources Policy and Development at IMC Global, Inc. and served as their Human Resources Counsel and Labor Relations Officer. Lila also has experience as a corporate attorney. Active for many years in the American Library Association, Lila is currently the chair-elect of the Human Resources Section.



Thomas Izbicki is the new Humanities Librarian and his office is in Alexander Library, in New Brunswick. He is a Medieval and Renaissance scholar who has published in both library and academic venues. He comes to Rutgers from Johns Hopkins University where he worked at the Milton S. Eisenhower Library as a Research Services Librarian. He was a Research Fellow at the Institute of Medieval Canon Law, Berkeley, California and Visiting Distinguished Professor, Department of History,

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including access services, interlibrary loan, reference, instruction, research support, and our web presence.

Lila Fredenburg has joined the Libraries to fill the vacant position of Director of Administrative Services with responsibility for all aspects of personnel and budget, professional development and training, and library statistics for the system.

Jeanne Boyle has assumed the new position of Associate University Librarian for Planning and Organizational Research. She is responsible for ensuring that all planning, program, and policy development activities are integrated with and supported by research, analysis, measurement, and reporting. In this capacity, Jeanne will provide leadership and oversight for the Libraries' long-range planning, assessment and evaluation activities, and copyright concerns.

Françoise Puniello has assumed responsibilities as Associate University Librarian for Facilities Planning and Management. In this capacity, she will have direct responsibility for capital space planning, renovations, and facilities oversight for the University Libraries, and the development and management of library facilities on the New Brunswick campus. She is also responsible for facilities security and emergency planning. Designing library spaces in the current environment is a major challenge for all libraries as we endeavor to develop and maintain facilities that will meet the changing needs of our staff, librarians, and users.

Lastly, Ka-Neng Au, Business Librarian on the Newark campus, has assumed the position of Acting Director of the Dana Library until recruitment for this position is completed later this Fall.

I hope you join me in welcoming these five leaders to their new posts. They each look forward to working with you.



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Texas Tech University. He is a translator of Latin texts and knows Greek, Italian, French, Spanish and German. His publications are considerable, and a recent article "The Immaculate Conception and



Ecclesiastical Politics from the Council of Basel to the Council of Trent: The Dominicans and their Foes" was published in *Archiv für Reformationsgeschichte*. Dr. Izbicki earned the MLS degree from Indiana University and a Doctorate in Medieval History from Cornell University.

Donna Schulman is the new Director of the Carey Library at the School of Management and Labor Relations. The library is located in the Labor Education Center on the Cook campus. Donna has 21 years of experience as the Director of the Lenz



Library, Cornell School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Division of Extension and Public Service in New York

City. In addition, she also recently served as the Outreach Information Services Librarian for the Catherwood Library of the Cornell ILR School in Ithaca. Donna has an M.S. in Library Science from Columbia and an M.S. in Women's Studies from the City University of New York. She has taught credit courses on Labor and Film, Internet Literacy for Unionists, and Internet Literacy in the Workplace. She is an active leader in the annual Northeast Union Women's Summer School, attended by over 100 local union leaders, and in the Community of Industrial and Labor Relations Librarians. Her publications include: *Union Women - Change Starts Here!*, *Books and Films to Read and Watch and Discuss*, *a Resource Guide*, and *Labor & Collective Bargaining: Best Internet Sites for Strategic Research & Practice*.

Judit Hajnal Ward is the new Director of Center of Alcohol Studies Library located on the Busch campus. She joined Rutgers in 1999 as a visiting professor at the Institute for Hungarian Studies after a rewarding career of teaching foreign languages and communication at the University Medical School of Debrecen,



Hungary. Judit has been a member of the Rutgers University Libraries' Acquisitions Department staff since 2003, where she served as our foreign titles specialist. Among her many contributions, she greatly enhanced the Libraries' foreign acquisitions program and had a major role in the implementation of the new online acquisitions system. Judit has a doctorate in linguistics to go along with her 2006 MLS degree, and she brings a wealth of experience to the Center of Alcohol Studies.

Tao Yang is the new East Asian Librarian and his office will be in Alexander Library, in New Brunswick. Since 2003, Tao has been the Public Services

Librarian of the East Asia Library at Yale University, where he has provided reference service, developed instructional programs, and worked on digital and renovation projects. He is also active in the Council on East Asian Libraries, the national organization of East Asian libraries. Tao graduated from the University of Arizona with a M.A. in Information Resources and Library Science and is a doctorate candidate in anthropology there. Prior to coming to the U.S., he studied history and archaeology at Peking University in China. Tao is looking forward to starting his new position in early October.



Hold the Date!

Tuesday, February 5, 2008 • 5:00 pm
Remigio U. Pane Room • 1st floor
Archibald S. Alexander Library
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Garden State Harvest:
New Jersey's Agricultural Heritage
EXHIBITION OPENING RECEPTION

New Jersey's dynamic agricultural heritage from pre-colonial times to the present will be highlighted in this exhibition. The display will feature diaries, letters, journals, broadsides, trade catalogs, photographs, and museum objects illustrating agriculture's broad impact on our state's history and culture. The guest speaker at the exhibition opening will be Charles Hampton Harrison, author of *Tending the Garden State: Preserving New Jersey's Farming Legacy* (Rivergate Books, 2006).

The exhibition is co-sponsored by the Dean of the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences and the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station.

The exhibition will run
February 5 - April 30, 2008.

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