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Columns

Title Changes

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metadata services. I'm new to scholarship but very open to collaborating with my colleagues, so if anyone is looking for a writing partner, let me know.

[Note: Please report promotions, awards, new degrees, new positions, and other significant professional milestones. You may submit items about yourself or other members to Kurt Blythe at kcblythe@email.unc.edu. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the person mentioned in the news item before they are printed. Please include your e-mail address or phone number.]

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Access & Discovery Librarian
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Moving onward and upward makes the world go 'round!

As of May 20, **Treasa Bane** is an Electronic Resources Management Librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Heidi Card, MA, MLIS writes:

Sandy Folsom reports:

I am retiring after 35 years at Central Michigan University Libraries. During this time, I've done serials and general cataloging, reference, instruction and collection development. I've also cataloged multiple formats in the Clarke Historical Library and created metadata for the institutional repository. Prior to coming to CMU, I was serials cataloger at Old Dominion University.

I started as Duquesne University's Access & Discovery Librarian last September after 10 years of doing communication and social media for the University of Pittsburgh's library system. I've come full circle, in a way, as my MLIS internship in 2007 was in technical services. It was a huge career change for me now, but I know I'm where I should be. I love problem-solving and helping with access issues. NASIG is the first ER-related professional group I joined – and this year's conference was in my city. Very convenient, although I did miss out on some of the social aspects of the conference as I had to get home to my dogs every evening. I enjoyed meeting other ERMs and found the mentoring program so helpful in connecting me with fellow NASIG-ers – it was great to talk to others dealing with the same issues I was learning about and working on. I was also really interested to find how different libraries set up their collection and

I've been a member of NASIG since 1987. I've attended all but two of the conferences. My first NASIG conference, in 1987, was at Denison University in Granville, Ohio. I drove down to Ohio with my late colleague John Riddick who was then president of NASIG. We travelled in a large university van that was stuffed full of member packets and other conference related material. NASIG was something of a shoestring operation in those days.

Since that conference, NASIG has been my "home" professional organization. Over time, its scope has broadened just as my responsibilities have broadened so it's been a very good fit for me. I've been happy to be active in the organization, making presentations and serving on numerous committees. Most of all, I've enjoyed and benefitted from the

professional relationships I've made via my membership in NASIG.

I was gratified to be able to attend the recent conference in Pittsburgh. As always, it was a great conference. It also gave me the chance to say some good-byes in person. To anyone I missed and to all the other colleagues from over the years, good-bye, good luck, and thank you.

Melissa Johnson accepted the position of Assistant Director of Reference and Education Services at Augusta University's Reese Library. In addition, a chapter she co-wrote, "Breaking New Ground: Librarians as Partners in a SoTL Fellowship," was published in *The Grounded Instruction Librarian*, a book released in July by the ACRL.

Melissa Johnson, MLIS, MA
Assistant Director of Reference & Education Services
University Libraries, Reese Library
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Vici Siler writes:

I took over as Electronic Resources Librarian at Elon on June 1 after Dianne Ford's retirement. I joined NASIG in time for conference because I wanted to meet other e-resources librarians and hear about all the great work they are doing.

Vicki Siler
Electronic Resources Librarian
Belk Library, Elon University

Lastly, but not least:

My name is **Bonnie Thornton** and I've recently moved into the position of Electronic & Continuing Resources Librarian at Mississippi State University.

Bonnie Thornton
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