



Abby Brack

Roberta Shaffer and David Mao begin their new responsibilities on Jan. 3.

Shaffer Named Associate Librarian; Mao Appointed Head of Law Library

Librarian of Congress James H. Billington last week announced the appointments of Roberta I. Shaffer as associate librarian for Library Services and David S. Mao as law librarian of Congress.

The appointments take effect Jan. 3. Shaffer will succeed Deanna Marcum, who has served as associate librarian for eight years and who plans to retire at the end of December.

Shaffer has held the post of law librarian of Congress since August 2009 and previously served in Library Services as the executive director of the Federal Library and Information Center Committee.

“Ms. Shaffer brings a breadth of expe-

rience in the Library of Congress and in the broader library community, which will serve us well as we continue to provide a unique set of services to the Congress and to the American people,” Billington said.

As associate librarian, Shaffer will be responsible for managing the Library’s acquisitions, cataloging, public-service program, preservation activities, services to the blind and physically handicapped, and the network and bibliographic standards for America’s national library.

“I am very energized by this opportunity to return to Library Services in a leadership role,” Shaffer said. “I am leaving the Law Library in the excellent hands of David Mao. This is a time of incredible

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Employees Accept Buyouts, Early Retirement

By Mark Hartsell

Nearly 200 Library of Congress employees accepted early retirements and buyouts under a program the Library offered this summer that took effect last week.

The Library in August announced it would make the Voluntary Early Retirement Authority and Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment programs available to employees in the event of reductions in its fiscal year 2012 budget.

A total of 186 employees from seven service units applied for the programs, received approval and ultimately decided to leave the Library. Others applied and received approval but later decided to remain.

More than half of those who departed came from Library Services, the largest service unit: Ninety-six employees from Library Services accepted a buyout or early retirement, as did 44 from the Copyright Office, 22 from the Congressional Research Service, 12 from the Office of Support Operations, six from the Office of Strategic Initiatives, four from the Law Library and two from the Office of the Librarian.

All separations took effect Nov. 3, and for weeks beforehand employees gathered in offices around the Library to say farewell to longtime colleagues who had decided either to retire or move on to other opportunities.

On the morning of Nov. 3, departing employees queued up in the main lobby and adjacent hallways of the sixth floor of the Madison Building, waiting to sign

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NOTICES

Help a Child These Holidays

The Fraternal Order of Police, Library Division, wishes you and yours happy holidays.

The order is seeking donations of new and unwrapped toys for its annual Christmas toy drive for needy children, which runs through Dec. 16. Drop-off boxes will be located at all the main entrances of each building.

DAY OF DEALS!!

Wednesday, Nov. 16

In the Morning (staff only)

Receive a 30 percent staff discount off regular prices from 8 a.m. to noon in the Library Shop in the Jefferson Building. Save on books, mugs, holiday cards, T-shirts, hoodies, bookmarks, journals and more!

Door-Buster (from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.): This year's Christmas ornament will be an additional 20 percent off.

In the Afternoon (bring your friends)

Continue shopping with huge savings at the Publishing Office Sale-a-Thon, with better-than-Amazon prices on books and 2012 calendars from 1 to 3 p.m. in Madison Hall of the Madison Building.

Get new books signed by the authors and enjoy deep discounts on note cards, posters, prints and more!

No Gazette Issue on Nov. 25

The Gazette will not publish on Nov. 25 because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Brief notices of events occurring the week of Nov. 28 should be submitted by Wednesday, Nov. 16, for publication in the calendar of the Nov. 18 edition.

How Are We Doing? Let Us Know

We're surveying Library staff to find out how we can make the Gazette a better staff news outlet. Please take a moment to complete the 10-minute survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LOCGazette>. Nov. 16 is the final day to fill out the survey.

If you don't have access to a computer, a paper version of the survey is available in LM 105. All responses are completely confidential, and your opinions will help us build a better Gazette.

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Staff is invited to use the Forum pages for lively and thoughtful debate relevant to Library issues. However, just as other newspaper editors exercise discretion over which letters to publish and how to edit them, so do we. In deciding whether or how much to publish, we consider content (including misstatements of fact, libel, innuendo, ridicule of individuals or the institution, personal attacks, and redundancy) and length (the limit is 300 words).

Letters must be signed by the author, whose place of work and telephone extension should be included so we can verify authorship. Letter writers should understand that when they sign their letters and release them to us for publication they are relinquishing privacy. If a letter calls for management response, for example, an explanation of a policy or actions or clarification of fact, we will ask for management response.—Ed.

Gazette Deadlines

The deadline for editorial copy for the Dec. 2 Gazette is Wednesday, Nov. 23.

E-mail editorial copy and letters to the editor to mhartsell@loc.gov.

To promote events through the Library's online calendar (www.loc.gov/loc/events) and the Gazette Calendar, e-mail event and contact information to calendar@loc.gov by 9 a.m. Monday of the week of publication.

Boxed announcements should be submitted electronically (text files) by 9 a.m. Monday the week of publication to mhartsell@loc.gov.

NEWS

Library Acquires Rare Architectural Drawings, Photos

The Library of Congress last week announced the acquisition of the American Institute of Architects and American Architectural Foundation Collection, consisting of rare and significant architectural drawings, photographs and illustrated publications.

The materials will be housed in the Prints and Photographs Division.

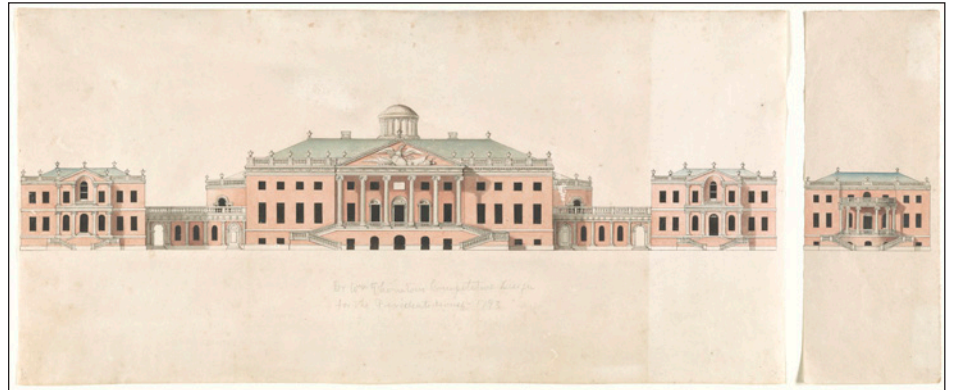
The new acquisition adds an estimated 160,000 drawings, 30,000 photographs and rare illustrated books to the Library's holdings of millions of architectural documents. Included in the acquisition are original works of art, detailed technical materials, information-rich business files, ephemera and sourcebooks.

In recognition of the materials' historical significance and potential value to architectural historians and researchers, the boards of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and the American Architectural Foundation (AAF) approved transfer in 2009 of their organizations' architectural drawings, photos and publications. As part of the transfer agreement, the National Building Museum will serve as the AIA/AAF Collection's exhibition partner.

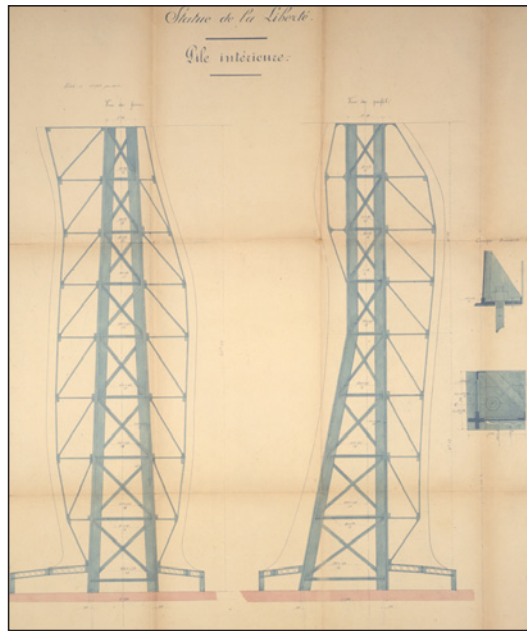
The collection has arrived at the Library of Congress and will gradually become available for public use. The archive of iconic American architect Richard Morris Hunt is being prepared first for service by special appointment. The work of other creators will follow, as specialists continue to prepare this vast collection for access.

The value of the merged collections is dynamically illustrated by the reunion of William Thornton's legendary 1790s "Tortola Scheme" design drawings for the U.S. Capitol – two from the AIA/AAF Collection joining the two already at the Library. The two AIA/AAF "Tortola" drawings will be on view sequentially in the National Building Museum's upcoming exhibition "Unbuilt Washington," which opens Nov. 19.

Likewise, priceless design drawings by Hunt and Gustave Eiffel will join the treasured Statue of Liberty materials



A 1793 "Tortola Scheme" design drawing of the United States Capitol.



A drawing of the framework for the Statue of Liberty by the office of Gustav Eiffel.

already at the Library.

"The AIA/AAF Collection's greatest strengths include its magnificent Beaux-Arts sketches and renderings, its tens of thousands of vintage photographs representing the beginnings of architectural photography in the 19th century, and its rare and often extremely beautiful architectural publications, many collected by Hunt and his family," said C. Ford Peatross, director of the Library's Center for Architecture, Design and Engineering.

The acquisition includes Hunt's more than 15,000 original student and design drawings in the Beaux-Arts tradi-

tion that served as a cornerstone of the architectural profession in America. Hunt was an AIA founder and the architect of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the base of the Statue of Liberty, many of the great Gilded Age mansions of New York and Newport, and the grand Biltmore Estate in North Carolina.

Said Peatross: "It is more than appropriate that these new acquisitions will complement and strengthen the millions of documents in the Prints and Photographs Division, including the Historic American Buildings Survey; the Historic American Engineering Record; the Historic American Landscapes Survey; the archives and drawings of William Thornton, B. Henry Latrobe, Charles Bulfinch, Cass Gilbert, Raymond

Loewy, Charles and Ray Eames, and Paul Rudolph; and the photographic archives of Samuel Gottscho, Sigurd Fischer, Philip Trager, and Carol Highsmith, among many others."

Other highlights include mid-19th-century architectural photographs by French pioneer of the medium Charles Marville; drawings by winners of the AIA's prestigious Gold Medal such as 1925 honoree Bertram Grosvenor Goodhue; and designs by luminaries spanning the centuries, from Thomas U. Walter (1804–87) to Chloethiel Woodard Smith (1910–92). ♦

NEWS

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paperwork, turn in badges and speak with retirement counselors.

Many left with mixed feelings – sad to leave friends and colleagues but eager for new opportunities or the chance to just take it easy.

“I’m going to miss a lot of the people I work with,” said Mark Addison of the U.S./Anglo Division, who worked at the Library for 28 years and now plans to move to Maine. “I’m going to miss my work, certainly. It’s the end of a professional career, and that makes me sad. It’ll be a big change, but I’m also looking forward to going off to the next adventure.”

Some employees went out in grand style.

Douglas Meick of the Office of Strategic Initiatives came to the Library on Nov. 3 driving a Rolls-Royce, wearing a kilt, leading a bagpiper and bearing a special bottle of tequila he’d been saving for a post-retirement celebration.

“It’s a lot of mixed emotions because a lot of my colleagues I’ve known for almost my whole career,” said Meick, who worked at the Library for 38 years. “It’s been quite an experience.”

The bagpiper-for-hire, a retired schoolteacher who plays retirements, birthdays, weddings and funerals, provided musical accompaniment as Meick exited his office for the last time.

“It’s kind of a salute to a Scotsman,” said Meick, who plans to split time between Old Town Alexandria and Palm Beach, Fla. “A little piping goes a long way.”

Maggie Jason of the Serial and Government Publications Division likewise had a special ride for the occasion – a long, white limo driven by her son.

Jason, dressed to the nines on the final day of a 38-year career at the Library, shed a few tears as she walked out the front entrance of the Madison Building to the limo.

“I said from the beginning it would be bittersweet, and that’s what it is,” Jason said.

Behind a bamboo curtain in an office disguised as the darts alley of an English pub, colleagues gave a send-off to Larry



David Christopher, chief of the Information and Records Division, greets retirees at a farewell gathering in the Copyright Office.

Cecelia Rogers



Maggie Jason makes a final walk from the Madison Building to a waiting limo.

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Douglas Meick, dressed in a kilt of the Graham clan, turned in paperwork before leaving the Library in a Rolls-Royce.



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Larry Parker (right) received gag parting gifts from his CRS colleagues.



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A bagpiper leads members of the Gaelic Language Table to a retirement lunch for Stuart Stone at an H Street restaurant.

Parker, who worked as a Congressional Research Service analyst for 31 years.

Parker delivered a gracious and funny farewell speech – his career at the Library, he said, was “mostly harmless” – then accepted a few parting gifts: a darts jacket; a House of Representatives coffee mug; a crown; a pre-owned, sweat-stained Pabst Blue Ribbon shirt and a repurposed president’s award, signed by George H.W. Bush, lauding Parker for his accomplishments in darts.

Mark Strattner, who worked at the Law Library for 24 years, called the day “a little surreal.”

“In some respects I can’t believe I’m doing it,” he said. “But I think the time is correct, so I’m going on out.”

Strattner plans to do a lot of traveling and to continue his quest to visit all 395 units of the National Park Service – he’s about 50 short.

But, he said, the Library won’t be far from his mind.

“I’m going to miss the collections, the people I work with, the staff I worked with on a daily basis,” he said. “It’s going to be a hard adjustment, but I’m ready.” ♦

Donated Time

The following Library employees have satisfied the eligibility requirements to receive leave donations from other staff members. Contact Lisa Davis at 7-0033.

- Christy Chason
- Shaniqua Fenwick
- Ulinda Fenwick
- Dawn Franks
- Uhuru Goss
- Tinisha Hayes
- Deloris Freeman-Jordan
- Rocita Lawson
- Donald Marcus
- David Miller

- Lisa Moberg
- Susan Nelson
- Parthenia Palmer
- Lawrence Perry
- Arlene Peters
- LeeAnne (Buckley) Ruppel
- Jamie Stevenson
- Tamar Wallace

NEWS

Library Employees Raise Funds for AIDS Walk

The Library of Congress gay and lesbian employee association joined with two Congressional staff organizations Oct. 30 to raise more than \$5,000 at the 25th AIDS Walk in Washington, D.C.

Marching in the cold and pouring rain, representatives of the LC Globe walked with members of the LGBT Congressional Staff Association and the Gay, Lesbian and Allies Senate Staff Caucus (GLASS) down Pennsylvania Avenue from Freedom Plaza to the U.S. Capitol and back – a round trip of 5 kilometers, or 3.1 miles.

“This year marks the 30th anniversary of the first report of HIV and while there has been much progress, many chal-

lenges remain,” said John Topoleski of the Congressional Research Service, who participated in the event. “I am grateful for the opportunity to join friends and colleagues to support this worthy cause. Neither rain nor sleet nor snow kept us from enjoying this important community event.”

The three groups attracted 30 participants – 10 from the Library – and raised a combined \$5,858.96 for Whitman-Walker Health, a clinic in the District that specializes in care for HIV and AIDS patients.

The clinic estimates that about 3 percent of District residents over the age of 12 have HIV or AIDS – one of the highest rates in the nation.

The organizations issued a pre-walk challenge to see which group could raise the most money.

The LGBT Congressional Staff Association, which for the walk included the Library employees, raised \$3,255; GLASS raised \$2,604.

Brock Thompson of the American Folklife Center raised more than \$2,000 alone.

Organizers estimate they will meet their goal of raising more than \$1 million – the first time that amount has been reached since 1999.

Donations can be made to AIDS Walk Washington through Dec. 31. ♦

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transition for the Library, and we are challenged on many fronts. This is the time to be entrepreneurial. I believe that the Library Services staff is ready to move ahead and bring its collective expertise and creativity to the task.”

Shaffer previously held positions at the University of Texas, the University of Maryland, George Washington University Law School and the University of Houston Law Center.

She also served for nine years as the director of research services at the Washington-based international law firm of Covington and Burling.

Shaffer earned a degree in political science and demography from Vassar College and holds a law degree from Tulane University and a master’s in library science from Emory University. She also did graduate work at American University in arts management and has a certificate in negotiation and mediation from the Harvard Law School. She is admitted to the D.C., Texas and U.S. Supreme Court bars.

She currently is president of the International Council of Scientific and Technical Information.

“I welcome the chance to work more

closely with the entire Library of Congress staff,” Shaffer said. “I love this institution and want to contribute to its future in any way I can. I am incredibly grateful to Dr. Billington for his confidence and for giving me this chance.”

Mao was appointed the first deputy law librarian of Congress in June 2010 following five years in the Congressional Research Service.

In January, he will become the 23rd law librarian of Congress, succeeding Shaffer.

“Mr. Mao, in his tenure as deputy law librarian of Congress, has shown the ability to think strategically and work with external constituencies to advance the progress of the Law Library,” Billington said. “He will continue and expand upon the strides made in the past two years in clearly identifying priorities and setting the future course of the Law Library of Congress.”

Said Mao: “I am delighted and extremely honored that Dr. Billington has appointed me the next Law Librarian of Congress. I also am very grateful to have had the opportunity to serve under Roberta Shaffer – her leadership of the Law Library has truly been inspiring.”

Mao previously held positions at Georgetown University and at the law

firm of Covington and Burling.

A graduate of Georgetown University Law Center, Mao practiced law for a number of years before receiving his library degree at The Catholic University of America. He also is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of The George Washington University.

He is admitted to the District of Columbia and Pennsylvania bars.

Mao has served as the treasurer of the American Association of Law Libraries and is the current chair of the association’s project to study the future of law librarianship.

He is a founding member and current treasurer of the Chinese and American Forum on Legal Information and Law Libraries.

“When Roberta became the Law Librarian several years ago, she envisioned a law library using the latest technology to make all of the world’s laws and law-related materials accessible everywhere,” Mao said. “Among other tasks, the Law Library is moving ahead with this plan and has set a course for its future. Working collaboratively with both our Library of Congress and external colleagues, I will continue the fine work of the Law Library toward its current goals.” ♦

MOVING ON

The following personnel actions reported by the National Finance Center for the Library of Congress took effect in Pay Period 16.

Permanent Appointments

Alan C. Gevinson, special assistant, GS-12, Motion Picture, Broadcast and Recorded Sound (MBRS), Library Services (LS); **Dorinda M. Hartmann**, library technician, GS-07, MBRS, LS; **Tiffany A. Lucas**, office automation assistant, GS-06, Contracting Office (CO), Office of Support Operations (OSO); **Sammy F. Wylie**, motion picture preservation specialist, GS-11, MBRS, LS; and **Katherine R. Zwaard**, supervisory information technology specialist, GS-14, Digital Futures, Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI).

Temporary Appointments

Christina M. Bailey, librarian, GS-09, Knowledge Services Group (KSG), Congressional Research Service (CRS); **Robin A. Butterhof**, digital conversion specialist, GS-09, Serial and Government Publications Division (SER), LS; **Lindsay B. Hill**, clerk, GS-01, African, Latin American and Western Division (ALAW), LS; **Rebecca A. Hopkins**, social science analyst, GS-11, Foreign Affairs, Defense and Trade Division (FDT), CRS; **Penelope M. Malakates**, library technician, GS-05, Prints and Photographs (P&P), LS; and **Brock R. Williams**, social science analyst, GS-11, FDT, CRS.

Permanent Promotions

Allison B. Benkwitt, librarian, GS-11, National Library Service for the Blind and

Physically Handicapped (NLSBPH), LS; **Kelly S. Buchanan**, supervisory foreign law specialist, GS-15, Foreign, Comparative and International Law Division I (LAW/EAST), LAW; **Ana Y. Chaletzky**, accountant, GS-11, Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), Office of the Librarian (LIBN); **Whitney M. Little**, security clerk, GS-07, Personnel Security Office (PSO), OSO; **Sabreen N. Madyun**, librarian, GS-11, Policy and Standards Division (POLICY), LS; **Gulnar Nagashybayeva**, librarian, GS-12, Science, Technology and Business Division (ST&B), LS; **Stephen B. Oswald**, management and program analyst, GS-14, Copyright Office (COP); and **Jovaughn A. Proctor**, clerk, GS-05, Office of Workforce Management and Development (WRK), CRS.

Temporary Promotions

Patricia A. Rigsbee, supervisory copyright specialist, GS-12, Information and Records Division (I&RD), COP.

Reassignments

David J. Christopher, supervisory copyright specialist, GS-15, I&RD, COP; **Fresh H. Fessuh**, accounting technician, GS-08, OCFO, LIBN; **Tuesday L. Irby**, secretary, GS-07, OSO; **Robin Jeweler**, attorney adviser, GS-15, American Law Division (ALD), CRS; **Samantha N. Jones**, secretary, GS-06, OSO; **Edith Palmer**, supervisory foreign law specialist, GS-15, LAW/WEST, LAW; and **Eva M. Whiting**, library technician, GS-08, United States and Publisher Liaison Division (USPL), LS.

Resignations

Amber N. Ables, library aide, GS-04, Rare Book and Special Collections Division (RBSCD), LS; **Brandyln Arredondo**, clerk, GS-03, Visitor Services Office (VSO), LS; **Jordan A. Bennett Barnes**, clerk, GS-01, I&RD, COP; **Daniel L. Chudnov**, information technology specialist, GS-14, Digital Futures, OSI; **Andre J. Coleman**, clerk, GS-04, Office of Strategic Planning and Automation (SPA), OSO; **Ayana Z. Cotton**, clerk, GS-02, ALAW, LS; **Derek K. Evans**, editor, GS-11, Office of Congressional Information and Publication (CIP), CRS; **Ryan M. Ferguson**, clerk, GS-01, Office of the Director of the Information Technology Service (ITS); **Alphonzo S. Hall**, clerk, GS-01, I&RD, COP; **Donnell V. Hall**, clerk, GS-01, I&RD, COP; **Ahmani L. Hartwell**, clerk, GS-02, United States General Division (USGEN), LS; **Stephen M. Hill**, clerk, GS-02, ITS; **Michael G. Horton III**, clerk, GS-01, ITS; **Jennifer C. Maggi**, junior fellow, AD-00, RBSCD, LS; **Alexis D. Marks**, clerk, GS-02, Binding and Collections Care Division (BCCD), LS; **Kristin A. Ouellette**, library aide, GS-04, RBSCD, LS; **Julius V. Thomas**, social science analyst, GS-07, Domestic Social Policy Division (DSP), CRS; **Michelle D. Thornton**, clerk, GS-01, LAW; and **Lesley B. Winchester**, clerk, GS-01, African and Middle East Division (AMED), LS.

Retirements

David H. Michener, librarian, GS-13, ALAW, LS.

OBITUARY



Pearline W. Hardy

Pearline W. Hardy, a former moving-image cataloger who worked at the Library of Congress for 33 years, died on Oct. 13 at Duke University Medical Center.

Hardy was born in Wilson, N.C., on Feb. 15, 1949, and earned a Bachelor of Science

degree from North Carolina Central University.

She began her Library service in 1972 as secretary to Dr. John Kuiper, then head of the Motion Picture Section of the Prints and Photographs Division.

She was promoted to preliminary cataloger in 1975 and found her professional calling. In 1985, when the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division began cataloging online, she was promoted to moving-image cataloger. In 2003, she was promoted to senior cataloging specialist.

Hardy was a gifted and creative cataloger, an expert at identifying archival motion pictures in the Library's collections, which often are incomplete, without titles or credits. She was able to solve the most difficult problems, and fellow catalogers often turned to her for help.

Hardy wrote many motion picture cataloging manuals and was an author of the second edition of "Archival Moving Image Materials: A Cataloging Manual," for which she received one of many awards.

Hardy also was a superb researcher and trainer who served as a friend and mentor to colleagues, generously sharing her vast knowledge of the moving-image collections and resources.

Throughout her long service at the Library, Hardy made many friends. If she couldn't help solve a problem, she certainly knew someone who could. She was sorely missed when she retired in 2005 but was happy to be moving home to Wilson with her husband, Vernon.

Her son, Rodney Hardy, following in his mother's footsteps, serves as a cataloger in the Geography and Map Division. ♦

CALENDAR

**11 NOVEMBER
FRIDAY**

Veterans Day Holiday: The Jefferson Building's Great Hall and exhibitions will be open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All reading rooms and other Library buildings will be closed in observance of the Veterans Day federal holiday.

**14 NOVEMBER
MONDAY**

Research Orientation: 10 – 11:30 a.m., LJ G-07. Register by phone at 7-3370 or online at www.loc.gov/rr/main/inforeas/signup.php. Contact 7-0945, 7-2138.

Lecture: David Birmingham of the University of Kent at Canterbury presents "Africa: Living and Re-sourcing History." Noon, African and Middle Eastern Division Reading Room, LJ 220. Contact 7-1979.

Yoga/Pilates: Start at your own level. 1 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-3013.

Tai Chi: Yang Style 37-posture short form. 2 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-4055.

**15 NOVEMBER
TUESDAY**

TOPS Lecture: Former directors and graduates celebrate the history and contributions of the two programs to the field of library conservation during "Conservation Training: Commemorating the Library Conservation Training Programs at Columbia University (1981–1992) and the University of Texas at Austin (1992–2009)." 10 a.m., Whittall Pavilion. Contact 7-8345.

Lecture: Leketi Makelela, African presidential scholar, presents "Challenges and Prospects of Official 11-Languages Policy in Post-Apartheid South Africa." Noon, African and Middle Eastern Division Reading Room, LJ 220. Contact 7-1979.

Aerobics Class: High-Low.

Noon, LC Wellness Center, LA B-36. Contact 7-8637.

Meditation: Open to all. 12:15 p.m., LA G-06. Contact mrag@loc.gov.

LC Ballroom Dance Club: 12:30 p.m., LM 139. Contact 7-6111.

EAP Seminar: EAP presents a seminar on "Becoming a Team Player." 1 p.m., Mary Pickford Theater, LM 301. Contact 7-6389.

Tai Chi: Yang Style 37-posture short form. 2 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-4055.

**16 NOVEMBER
WEDNESDAY**

Lab Screenings: The Health Services Office is conducting a laboratory screening program through A&G Health Watch. 8-11 a.m., LM G-40. Contact 7-8035.

Research Orientation: Local History and Genealogy. Obtain a reader identification card in LM 140 prior to attending. 10:30 – noon, LJ G-42. Register by phone at 7-5537, online at www.loc.gov/rr/genealogy/signup.php. Contact 7-4071.

Gallery Talk: Gerard Gawalt presents a talk on Roger Sherman, the only person to sign all of the nation's founding documents. Noon, Southwest Gallery. Contact 7-9203.

LC Chorale Rehearsal: All are welcome. Concert is Dec. 13. 12:05 p.m., LM 516-A. Contact 7-7452.

Forum: Bible study. Open to all. 12:05 p.m., LM G-51. Contact jber@loc.gov.

Aerobics Class: Strength training and floor exercise. 12:30 p.m., LC Wellness Center, LA B-36. Contact 7-8637.

Yoga/Pilates: Start at your own level. 1 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-3013.

Book Sale: The Publishing Office hosts the fall Preview of Books and Sale-a-Thon. 1-3 p.m., Madison Hall. Contact 7-6027.

Tai Chi: Yang Style 37-posture short form. 2 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-4055.

Lecture: Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, distinguished visiting scholar, presents "The 'Amman Message': A Magisterium for Islam?" 4 p.m., LJ 119. Contact 7-7678.

Lecture: Susan Kiguli of Makerere University in Uganda discusses oral poetry and performance. 6 p.m., Mumford Room, LM 649. Contact 7-1982.

Concert: Bob DiPiero returns to host another evening of country music from some of the nation's great country artists. Tickets required. 8 p.m., Coolidge Auditorium. Contact 7-5502.

**17 NOVEMBER
THURSDAY**

Lecture: James Wintle of the Music Division presents "Coolidge Commissions of Roy Harris." Noon, Whittall Pavilion. Contact 7-5502.

Aerobics Class: High-Low. Noon, LC Wellness Center, LA B-36. Contact 7-8637.

Yoga: Noon, LM SB-02. Contact 7-5984.

Meditation: Open to all. 12:15 p.m., LA G-06. Contact mrag@loc.gov.

Tai Chi: Yang Style 37-posture short form. 2 p.m., LM SB-02. Contact 7-4055.

Archives Forum: Laura Kells and Meg McAleer present "The Truth About Original Order, Or How to Proceed When Your Collection Arrives in Trash Cans." 2 p.m., Mumford Room, LM 649. Contact 7-7957.

Lecture: Alexander Evans, Kissinger Chair in Foreign Policy and International Relations, presents "Pakistan's Strategic Culture and U.S.-Pakistan Relations." 4 p.m., LJ 119. Contact 7-7678.

Film: "2001: A Space Odyssey" (MGM, 1968). 7:30 p.m., Packard Campus Theater, Culpeper, Va. Contact 7-9994.

**18 NOVEMBER
FRIDAY**

Tai Chi: Intermediate level. Strengthening exercises and two-person drills. Noon, LM SB-02. Contact 7-4055.

Bloomsday Camerata: Reading through Rabelais' "Gargantua and Pantagruel." Noon, LM 542. Contact 7-0013.

Aerobics Class: Strength training and floor exercise. Noon, LC Wellness Center, LA B-36. Contact 7-8637.

Film: "Singin' in the Rain" (MGM, 1952). 7:30 p.m., Packard Campus Theater, Culpeper, Va. Contact 7-9994.

Librarian's Idea Box

The panel selected by the Librarian of Congress to review staff ideas for innovations, efficiencies and cost-saving initiatives is currently reviewing ideas submitted.

While the initial deadline was Sept. 30, ideas submitted through Oct. 31 are being reviewed. As ideas are approved for implementation, initiators will be notified.

Some ideas were submitted after Oct. 31, and the panel has agreed to review them within the next several months.