

# People and Posts

*Assistant Editor: Greg Bailey, Iowa State University. The MAC Membership Committee invites members to share positions, appointments, and honors in the People and Posts column. Please send items to Greg at [gtbailey@iastate.edu](mailto:gtbailey@iastate.edu). Submissions must be 150 words or less. Images are welcome!*

## People

### ILLINOIS

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University of Illinois at  
Urbana-Champaign

Ariana Potter  
Tawani Enterprises, Inc.

Derek Potts  
DePaul University

Allison Seagram  
American Academy of Pediatrics

Joseph Taylor  
Knox College

### INDIANA

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IUPUI

Sasha Goryl (Student)  
Indiana University

### IOWA

Bailey Adolph (Student)  
University of Iowa

Doreen Dixon  
Drake University

Laura Kerr

### KANSAS

Ryan Griffin  
Nazarene Archives

### KENTUCKY

Haley-Marie Ellegood  
University of Louisville

### MICHIGAN

Amie Fuentes (Student)  
Wayne State University

Dr. Louis Jones  
Wayne State University

Patricia Vinson  
Archdiocese of Detroit

Andre Wilhelme (Student)  
Wayne State University

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University of Nebraska at  
Kearney

### OHIO

Nicholas Kemper  
St. Xavier High School

Kristen Muenz  
The Wexner Center for the Arts

### WISCONSIN

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Ripon College

Autumn Oakey  
University of  
Wisconsin–Whitewater

Miranda Ridener  
University of  
Wisconsin–Oshkosh

Mackenzie Ryan  
University of  
Wisconsin–Madison

Susie Seefelt Lesieutre  
American Institute of the  
History of Pharmacy

Kirsten Thompson  
Milwaukee Public Library

## Posts

KU Libraries have named assistant librarian **Letha Johnson** as university archivist. Previously a KU Libraries curator of the Kansas Collection, Johnson will now be taking on a leadership position to become the campus authority on KU history and traditions. She will oversee official records of the university and build new relationships with colleagues and other units across campus. Johnson has extensive professional training related to this work, including earning certifications from the Academy of Certified Archivists and from the Society of American Archivists as a digital archives specialist. “There are some untold stories of the university that I am hoping I will get a chance to dive into and bring to light, as well as reconnecting with the people I worked with in archives before,” Johnson said.

Southern Illinois University Carbondale is pleased to announce that **Dr. Nicholas Guardiano** joined Morris Library in April 2022 as the Alwin C. Carus Archivist and Professor of Philosophy, Special Collections Research Center. He teaches and writes on the philosophy of nature, Transcendentalism, the Hudson River School, and other American philosophers and artists, and is author of the book *Aesthetic Transcendentalism in Emerson, Peirce, and Nineteenth-Century American Landscape Painting*. As the Alwin C. Carus Archivist, he will promote and support research on Morris Library’s substantial American Philosophy Collections.

After 34 years, **Paul Eisloeffel** has retired from History Nebraska (formerly the Nebraska State Historical Society). Eisloeffel has been the curator of audiovisual collections (moving images and sound recordings) since 2001 and worked with the manuscripts holdings before that. He has been a consultant and a teacher on several archival moving image projects throughout the country. Before History Nebraska, Eisloeffel was archivist at the Kansas City Museum (Kansas City, Missouri), the San Diego Historical Society, and San Diego State University’s Center for Regional History. He also taught audiovisual archiving through the archives specialization at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee. Eisloeffel served on several MAC committees and programs throughout his career and, while MAC vice president from 2004 to 2006, helped to institute MAC’s practice of holding subject-focused Fall Symposia. MAC has been a “second professional home” for Eisloeffel, and he thanks all members for their dedication and welcoming spirit.

Special Collections & University Archives at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) is happy to welcome **Allison Guild** as a library assistant. Guild completed her bachelor’s degree in interactive digital studies at UNI and earned her master’s in library and information science from San Jose State University.

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### **In Memoriam: Deb Torres**

With deep sorrow and condolences to her family, friends, and colleagues, we share the news that Deb Torres passed away on April 2, 2022, in St. Paul after a brief, intense illness. During her 17 years with St. Catherine University, Deb made an indelible impact on the MLIS Program, students, alums, the university, and the professional community. Deb came on board in 2003 as assistant professor specializing in archives and later took on new responsibilities as assistant program director for the MLIS Program before retiring in 2020.

Deb was instrumental in helping build the master's program from its beginnings as a collaboration with Dominican University to its independence as an ALA-accredited program in 2010.

Deb was the face and heart of the program in so many ways. She was a great connector of people, advising and supporting students from the time they walked in the door to graduation. Deb's network of colleagues, alums, and friends extended across St. Kate's to local and national professional organizations. Deb was especially active in the Society of American Archivists.

We have created a Deb Torres memorial website (<https://everloved.com/life-of/deb-torres>) for all who wish to share their memories and unite in honoring Deb. We invite all to add their remembrances to celebrate Deb's life. The MLIS Program will also create a plaque to honor Deb that will be displayed prominently in our office. Other local activities will be announced on the memorial website. We will miss Deb greatly.