

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. Submissions must be 150 words or less. Images are welcome!

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Frances Willard House Museum
& WCTU Archives

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Galter Health Sciences Library &
Learning Center

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Missouri Historical Society

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John Joseph
Nationwide Children's Hospital

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Sarah Finn
Milwaukee Public Library

Anthony Morgano
Milwaukee Art Museum

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Julie Rosier (student)
University of Albany

Posts

Rebecca Wells joined the Special Collections and University Archives at Iowa State University as the student life archivist in August 2022. She comes to Iowa State with nearly a decade of experience in the archival field, most recently working at the Harry Ransom Center since 2018. Wells holds an MSIS with endorsements of specialization in archival and preservation administration from the University of Texas at Austin and a certificate from the University of North Texas in advanced management in libraries and information agencies. As student life archivist, Wells helps students, past and present, collect and preserve their legacy at Iowa State by teaching them how to care for their records and by facilitating the donation of materials that express a range of perspectives, people, and formats produced by ISU students.



Rebecca Wells

Joel Thoreson, archivist at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, was recently elected president of the Lutheran Historical Conference, an inter-Lutheran organization of archivists, librarians, and historians. The Lutheran Historical Conference fosters effective cooperation among people and institutions concerned with research, documentation, and preservation of the resources revealing experiences of Lutheranism in North America. The conference meets biennially, publishes a journal, and awards grants to those pursuing research in Lutheran topics.

Sally Childs-Helton, MLS, PhD, announces her retirement from Butler University on December 31, 2022, where she has been the head of the Special Collections, Rare Books, and University Archives department of Irwin Library for over 22 years. She retires as the first librarian to receive full professor status at Butler. She was at the Indiana Historical Society Library for 15 years and the Archives of Traditional Music as a graduate student for 8. She is a past president of SIA and past MAC Council member. All told, Childs-Helton has spent 45 years working in archives and has loved every minute of it. She is grateful to MAC for many years of excellent professional support and networking. She and her husband will move to her native North Carolina, where she looks forward to involvement with the North Carolina archival community, enjoying time with family, traveling, playing music, doing book arts, and sleeping in.

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Greg Bailey, Assistant Editor

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Laura Godden, University of Wisconsin–La Crosse Murphy Library Special Collections/Area Research Center, received the Heritage Award from the Preservation Alliance of La Crosse (PAL) at their 43rd annual banquet. Every year since 1978, PAL has presented this prestigious award to honor and showcase exceptional efforts in historic preservation in the city of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

In May 2022, **Timothy S. Binkley**, CA, received a Silver Pilgrim Medal from his undergraduate alma mater, Defiance College (Defiance, Ohio). Pilgrim Medals are the most prestigious awards offered by Defiance College. The college recognizes people who have demonstrated the ideals of “reliance in self, pride in work, courage in conscience, strength in education, and faith in God” by presenting a bronze medal to a graduating senior and a silver medal to an alum or other citizen. Binkley is the first person to receive both recognitions: bronze in 1985 and silver in 2022. He is a 1993 graduate of Bethany Theological Seminary (MDiv), a 2005 graduate of Wright State University (MA, public history), and a member of the 2016 Archives Leadership Institute cohort. Binkley has served as head of Special Collections and Archives at Berea College (Berea, Kentucky) since March 2020.

Joyce Lopez began a new role as digitization supervisor for the Minnesota Historical Society (MNHS) in June 2022. In this position, Lopez leads a growing digitization team working with collections including archives, library, media, art, and 3-D. MNHS has a robust digitization program using a wide range of equipment and software to increase online access to collections. Lopez has several years at MNHS, working initially in the library as a reference assistant and moving to digitization, first for newspapers and then for archival and library collections.



Joyce Lopez

On September 1, **Bryan Whitledge** moved into the Clarke Historical Library’s public services librarian role, managing the Clarke’s researcher services and helping to set the agenda for the Clarke’s reference, access, and outreach activities. Whitledge was recently recognized by the Society of American Archivists with a Council Exemplary Service Award. As SAA president Courtney Chartier noted

when announcing the award, “We thank Bryan Whitledge for his long-standing and passionate commitment to advocating for a better world for archives, archivists, and the public. In his tenure on the Committee on Public Policy, he has served in many representative roles, sought out opportunities to raise SAA’s profile, and educated SAA leadership on the nuances of public advocacy.”

University of Louisville’s Archives and Special Collections is happy to welcome two new colleagues. **Hannah Pryor** joined us in June 2022 as archivist for university records. She holds an MLIS from the University of Alabama, where she worked as a graduate assistant in the Hoole Special Collections Library. Most recently, she served as senior archivist for the Commissioners of the Land Office, an Oklahoma state agency.



Hannah Pryor

Emma Beck joined University of Louisville Archives and Special Collections as metadata librarian in December 2022. She holds an MLIS from the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign and a BA from Mount Holyoke College and has worked in Access Services at Mount Holyoke College's Library, Information and Technology Services as an undergraduate and full-time staff member.



Emma Beck

Paul Greenland (www.paulgreenland.com) has authored *Victory on Ice* (ISBN: 978-0-9659128-1-5), a new book that recounts the epic battles, fatal sacrifices, and highly improbable circumstances behind the Chicago Blackhawks' 1934 and 1938 Stanley Cup championships, which evoked a sense of triumph and jubilation

during the darkness of the Great Depression. By combining tales of old-time hockey with rare photos and broader elements of history, *Victory on Ice* teleports readers to a bygone era when the Blackhawks' earliest heroes played a brutal game against bitter rivals. Greenland wrote an authorized history of the team called *Hockey Chicago Style* (Sagamore Publishing) in 1995, and his essay on the Blackhawks appears in *The Encyclopedia of Chicago* (University of Chicago Press, 2004). Several MAC members provided source materials for the book, which includes a foreword by retired Northwestern University Professor Emeritus Virgil C. Johnson, son of defenseman and 1938 Stanley Cup team member, Virgil Johnson.

Barbara Floyd, formerly director of the Ward M. Canaday Center for Special Collections and professor emerita at the University of Toledo, recently authored the book *An Institution for the Promoting of Knowledge: The University of Toledo at 150*. The book, published by the University of Toledo Press, is a comprehensive history of the university from 1872 to 2022. All royalties from the sale of the book are being donated by Floyd to the Canaday Center in support of the work of university archives to preserve the institution's history. The hardcover, 328-page book is for sale at www.utoledopress.com.

Hilary Severyn joined the Special Collections Research Center at the University of Michigan Library on September 1. In her capacity as collection services librarian, Severyn will provide leadership and oversight for the accessioning, processing, description, and management of SCRC collections in all formats and across all collecting areas, and coordinate collection-related activities with staff in Technical Services, Digital Content & Collections, Preservation & Conservation, and other library units. In her previous positions, Severyn was the processing archivist at The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation and the Sloan Museum and Longway Planetarium and was a student assistant in the Special Collections Research Center while she was earning her MSI degree from the U-M School of Information.



Hilary Severyn