This edition of the *Who's Who* is issued as part of the orientation program organized by the Committee on Staff Orientation. The information is compiled as a means to present the individuals, with varying jobs and personal interests, who comprise the library system.

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To quote Charles Getchell one more time:

"read, discover, and most of all -- enjoy!!"

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July, 1990
Maria Alexander — Half-time Program Assistant — Slavic Department

B.A. from Indiana University; M.A. in Russian from the University of Wisconsin. My earliest recollections are of WWII in Czechoslovakia. As memory fades, learning how to say the English "th", "r" and "w" is less vivid in my mind. Since that time I've lived with the Time of Troubles, Pugachev's Revolt, the Moscow Plague, Catherine the Great's Crises (some of these in Leningrad and Moscow), and barely survived raising two teenagers. Now, as life gets better as one gets older, all I have to cope with are college tuitions, aging parents, library automation and taxes - not necessarily in that order. I love spending time with my family, violets, violin (as only a gypsy can play it), rainbows at the end of a rainy afternoon, the Crimean landscape, Kansas sunsets...

Jan Altenbernd — Library Assistant II — Art and Architecture Library

I came to Lawrence and KU in the Fall of 1977 to work on my masters in Art History. I've held several positions in the library, starting as a student assistant in Interlibrary Services and Marking (when Marking was part of Circulation). In January of 1979 I became a full-time employee in Marvin (now the Engineering Library). From that job, I moved into my present position as the LA II in the Art and Architecture Library in February of 1981. My husband, Kerry, is working on his masters in Library Science. We have two children, Zeke, who is five, and Katie, who will be one in July 1990.

Gordon Anderson — Librarian II — Head, Slavic Department

MLS: University of Iowa, 1980; Slavic and Germanic cataloger, University of Nebraska Library, 1981-1984. At KU since 8/84. Direct Slavic Department operations, bibliographer for West Slavic materials; Germanic languages and literatures bibliographer. Other education: B.A. - University of Iowa (1970), M.A. - University of Southern California (1975), M.A. - University of Kansas (1979) in History/German, International Relations and Soviet Studies, respectively. Raising three children (13, 9, 7) leaves little room for other activities, but try to squeeze in some music, reading and travel. Interested in European languages and culture, geography, life elsewhere (also the title of a novel by Milan Kundera).

Roger Anderson — Librarian II — Collection Development
Janet Anderson-Story -- Library Assistant I -- Watson Circulation

I am pleased to have joined the Circulation staff at Watson Library in September, 1988, as Stacks Supervisor. My schooling includes a BA in Literature with emphasis on Jungian analysis from Ottawa University in 1976; a BS in Secondary Education from KU in 1977; a BA in Classical Antiquities from KU in 1988. My previous work experience includes the Ottawa Public Library and the Lawrence Public Library. In 1984 my second son was born and I put my library career on hold. Both boys will be attending Baldwin Elementary school next fall. My husband is a cook at the Ottawa Country Kitchen. My dreams include having all Watson’s books shelved correctly and a safe global environment. My hobbies include needlework and playing with my family.

Mary Ann Baker -- Library Assistant II -- Special Collections

I have worked in the KU libraries since August 1970. I started in Reserve, worked my way through Circulation (Fines) and Cataloging Departments and by September 1975 I found my home here in Special Collections. In between, I graduated from KU with a BA in English and Anthropology. Occasionally, I enroll in a convenient library science course or some other that interests me. It seems I’m fond of things which begin with an M: music, medieval times, mysteries, Mennonites, mud, my cat and my dog ... I’m a practicing recycler as well as a bicyclist. I also happen to be very close to the owner of a harpsichord--anyone who wishes to play on it may contact me. Please do!

Greg Barker -- Office Assistant III -- Fines Clerk -- Watson Circulation

I started in the Fines Office in October 1988. Now, I feel fully baptized as one of the Fines Guys. Previously, I had spent 2 1/2 years at Security Benefit in Topeka where I enjoyed playing with other people’s money in the mutual fund company. I grew up in Central Kansas. Ask anyone in Circulation and they can now tell you where Sterling is located. I attended Sterling College two years and have taken classes at KU and WSU. I enjoy watching sporting events--KU games (basketball, baseball, and yes, even football), Royals (in the park, not on TV), and nieces’ basketball games. Other interests include long evening walks, singing in my church’s choir, and bowling with my team, “Alley Slugs”.

Daniel Barkley -- Librarian I -- Government Documents and Map Library

I was found in the gutter. Arrested for petty hooliganism, I was sentenced to library school at the University of Kentucky. I snowed the officer and was released, with a degree in exchange for my promise to leave quietly. Celebrating my parole, I ended up on I-70 and woke up in Kansas. I must have gotten confused between U of K and KU. Actually, I still am. Distinctions: world’s largest “in” box—my whole office. Socks always match tie. Tennis shoes usually clash. Aspiration: I spend so much time dealing with books; someday, I’d really like to read one.
Lois Bauer -- Office Assistant IV -- Serials Department

B.A. in English from Emporia State University; "several" graduate hours from KU, with emphasis in the history and philosophy of education. Arrived in present bookkeeping position via a six-year stretch as a bank teller, which accounts for my ability to count and smile at the same time. Have successfully resisted escaping present situation/location due to reluctance to give up the luxuries it provides: 1) occasional reunions with the hot and cold blowing dust of southwest Kansas, 2) the stimulation of university-town life cycles, without the tests, 3) the joy of devoting entire days to spending someone else's money, 4) the pleasures of working for an organization which had the magnificent taste to do the entire interior in books.

Margaret M. Bearse -- Librarian I -- Cataloging Librarian -- O'Hegarty Project -- Special Collections

I received a BA in history from Rice University in 1963 and an MLS from Emporia State in 1989. In the intervening years, I reared two boys and was active in League of Women Voters and assorted church work. A volunteer project in Special Collections confirmed my interest in library work, and I decided to return to school in 1987. In my off-duty hours, I enjoy needlework and playing the piano. I am also the director of the church library.

David Benjamin -- Library Assistant I -- Kansas Collection

Mike Biggins -- Librarian I -- Cataloger and South Slavic Bibliographer -- Slavic Department

In addition to librarianship, hold degrees in German and Russian. Native Kansan. Enjoy hiking, bicycling, gently rolling plains, and only occasionally higher elevations.

Norma Bishop -- Library Assistant II -- Desk Supervisor -- Watson Circulation

Kansas native, KU graduate, and here I am back again after twenty years in exotic California. Chief interests are: writing, reading, a few friends, my two daughters, their families, my red dog Mariah, my white cat Misha.

Mary Borton -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Richard Borton -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

BA in Germanic Languages from Indiana University at South Bend. Graduate study at Wayne State University (Detroit) and Indiana University (in Educational Psychology), and at University of Kansas (in German and Philology). After three years as a teaching assistant in the German Department and the Applied English Center, I started as a student assistant in the Cataloging Department (title II-C History of Economics Project). I am currently the staff advisor to the Student Creative Anachronists (local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism). Interests include a wide variety of hobby/craft activities.
Kerry Bower -- Library Assistant II -- Name Authorities Unit -- Cataloging Department

I am a lifelong resident of Lawrence. I've worked as a bulldozer-operator/general step-and-fetch-it; and proofreader of international scientific journals. I received a BA in French from KU after a junior year abroad in Bordeaux. I have worked in the Catalog Department for circa dozen years. My favorite activities include swimming, reading mysteries, cooking and eating (especially if it is someone else's).

Pamela Bower -- Library Assistant I -- Engineering Library

Esther Boyd -- Library Assistant I -- Anschutz Science Library

Sadie Bramble -- Library Associate -- Cataloging Department

BA from KU in Foods (Pre-Dietetics course) with a minor in French. Have been at KU up through the Classified ranks in Cataloging since 1969. One son and two daughters had worked at the KU Library, so I followed in their footsteps. Then our other son took up the tradition. They all like to come back to Lawrence. So my interests include maintaining a big enough house for family visits. Other interests at present are mainly in exploring uses for a home computer. I try to be enough of a computer nut to be a little creative and enough of a health nut to stay on my feet.

Sandra Brandt -- Librarian II -- Interlibrary Services

Degrees from the University of Iowa and the University of Missouri. Manage the growing ILS Department. Have 20 year old twin daughters - Heather and Aarin, and a son - Balin, who is 22. I am a strong supporter of the old Lawrence neighborhoods and am involved in old house rehabbing with work proceeding slowly on my 1899-built American Foursquare. I have a passion for gardening-cottage style, and a special interest in garden design.

Barbara Breitung -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Nicolette Bromberg -- Program Assistant -- Photo-archivist -- Kansas Collection

B.A., University of Delaware; M.A., University of Oregon; M.F.A. (photography) University of Oregon. Have been at KU since 1984. As a photographer, I work in old process-platinum/palladium photography and exhibit my work around the county.

Judy Brown -- Library Assistant II -- Interlibrary Services

I began working at the KU Libraries in 1982 and have enjoyed various positions in both Interlibrary Services and Acquisitions. I enjoy swimming, bicycling, needlecrafts, gardening, piano playing, reading, foreign languages, and cooking/eating. My current obsession is Norwegian. I have been educated at Earlham College (Richmond, IN), at the University of Costa Rica, and at KU.
Gregg Buckner -- Office Assistant IV -- Copying Services

Barry Bunch -- Archivist I -- University Archives

Gaile Burchill -- Secretary I -- ASL Departmental Secretary -- Anschutz Science Library

I graduated from Lawrence HS in 1980 and promptly left the area to pursue dreams of "bigger things." After graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a bachelors degree in History, I moved to New York City to work for AFS Intercultural Programs, a non-profit intercultural exchange organization. Working for AFS for three years gave me the opportunity to follow one of my dreams -- to travel -- and I went to Australia and Turkey, in addition to many trips to western Europe. Until moving back to Lawrence last December (desperately homesick!) I was living in Antwerp, Belgium, learning not only Dutch but what it's like to live outside of the United States. I expect to return to school for graduate work in "something" but while deciding, I'm enjoying the calm lifestyle, beautiful surroundings and nice "folks" in Lawrence.

Nancy Burich -- Librarian III -- Head, Regents Center Library

At KU since 1976 when the Regents Center Library was established (then called Linwood). Administers the Library and handles all problems dealing with any aspect of Watson-Regents Center relations. Currently planning new Library to occupy fall 1992. Bibliographer for Social Welfare. Has completed MA in Greek History and working on PhD at KU. Hobbies: weaving, reading science fiction, travel, and going out to lunch. Language capabilities: French, Latin, and classical Greek.

Gene Carvalho -- Librarian III -- Head, East Asian Library

Marilyn S. Clark -- Librarian III -- Reference Librarian and Director of Resource Development -- Watson Reference

Background: music, medieval history (Spanish), East European intellectual history, particularly 20th century Czech history. Used to do interlibrary loan and enjoy complicated bibliographic puzzles. Formerly head of Reference Department and Chair of the Collection Development Council. At present reference librarian, coordinator for fund raising and grant proposals, and bibliographer for psychology, sociology, human development and family life, and library science. I do translations of Czech articles for individuals, and pursue my research interest about avant-garde groups in Czechoslovakia. At present I am becoming involved in assisting Czech academic libraries in modernizing their information services. Can read Czech, French, German, Latin, and Spanish (in deteriorating order.)
Victor Clark -- Library Assistant I -- Data Entry Supervisor -- Watson Circulation


Richard Clement -- Librarian I -- Assistant Librarian -- Special Collections

I have a BA-Hist., a MA-Eng. from the U. of Nevada-LV, & MA-Librarianship from the U. of Chicago. I spent 3 years at Cambridge U. in England studying Anglo-Saxon, but got side-tracked by my discovery of medieval books and indeed of all things concerned with the history of books. After a stint of 3 years as Asst. Prof. of English at Illinois State U., I decided to become a librarian and was subsequently hired by the Regenstein Lib. at the U. of Chicago as a rare book cataloger on a special project working directly with the Library of Congress. After a year at Chicago, I came to KU in November 1986. I teach the History of the Book and am the proprietor of the Hole and Corner Press (Lib.'s bibliographical teaching press), located in the basement of Spencer. I am also in charge of the O'Hegarty Irish Library Project which takes up most of my time. My wife Susanne, who is Danish, and I have two small daughters, and we very much enjoy the character of life in Lawrence.

Kathy Clodfelter -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

Was born and raised in Tennessee. Met and married a soldier who brought me to Kansas. Attended school through high school in Tennessee and took some college courses. Came to KU Libraries in 1971, first working in Circulation and then Cataloging. I work on maintaining and updating the series authority file and resolving analytic book problems. Interests: reading, cooking, and politics. Pleasures: traveling with my husband and teenage son. Aspirations: owning my own restaurant or catering service.

Bruce Coburn -- Office Assistant III -- Mall Room

Amy Coddington -- Librarian I -- O'Hegarty Project -- Special Collections

Cataloger on the O'Hegarty Grant Project.
Kristi Cook -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Muriel Cook -- Library Assistant II -- Serials Department

A native of Georgia, lived in Boston for four years before getting married and moving to Kansas. I attended the Plus School of Business while in Boston, took college courses at KU and JCCC. I joined the library staff in 1970 as a data processing supervisor in Circulation and later became circulation supervisor. Other positions have included working in Periodicals/Serials (half-time) and currently in Serials (full-time). I have three interesting daughters and one adopted son. Activities: fishing, competing with my husband in BBQ contest, gardening etc.. Interests: TOO many to mention.

Linda Copp -- Library Assistant I -- Serials Department

Sarah Couch -- Library Associate -- Periodicals Reading Room

Susan Craig -- Librarian III -- Head, Art and Architecture Library

Rich Crank -- Library Assistant I -- Serials Assistant -- Anschutz Science Library

Hope Cundiff -- Library Assistant II -- Acquisitions Department

Susan Cunningham -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

I have two children: Jenny, who is in high school, and Scott, who is in school at Emporia State. I also have two beloved dogs, Buffy and Casey. Activities I enjoy are aerobics, yoga, singing in the Lawrence Women’s Chorale and Lawrence Civic Choir, and ringing in a handbell choir at Plymouth Congregational Church.

Deborah Dandridge -- Program Assistant -- Kansas Collection

Provided by the obeah powers of my late maternal grandmother, I am enjoying the rewards and challenges of field archival work for the Kansas Collection. During non-working hours, I devote my time to promoting state legislation for a monorail system, and canine health insurance and tax deductions, and, oh yes...that dissertation.

Jeanette Denton -- Office Assistant III -- Serials Department
Carole Dibben -- Library Assistant I -- Claims Assistant II -- Serials Department

Born, raised and educated in Kansas. BS Sociology 1965 from KSTC (now ESU): remained a 5th year for teacher certification courses and started MLS. Taught in Shawnee Mission district before "retiring" to have a family. Moved to Douglas County in 1979 and have worked as a substitute teacher, special education paraprofessional and school secretary before starting at KU in 1986. Restarted MLS program in 1989 after I learned that ESU offered courses in Kansas City and on weekends. I have been at Watson since November 1989 and I love it. Ambitions: Surviving the raising of my 3 teenaged sons as a single parent and to complete my MLS in time to use it before I retire. Pleasures: indiscriminate reading, good conversation, quilting, knitting, traveling and good food.

Jennie Dienes -- Librarian I -- Cataloger -- Government Documents and Map Library

B.Ed., McGill University (Montreal, Que.), 1962; M.L.S., University of British Columbia, 1979. Born and educated in Montreal, I arrived in Lawrence, August 1968, via Vancouver, B.C. and Chicago, where I picked up library experience at the University of British Columbia and Chicago. This experience, coupled with working at the KU Map Library from 1968-70, sparked my interest to complete my M.L.S.. During a nine-month stay in Sapporo, Japan (1984-85), I developed an interest in many Japanese customs, and I am struggling to maintain what little I learned of the written and spoken languages. In March, 1990, I began a cataloging position in the Government Documents and Map Library. After hours, I do volunteer work at a school library, handicrafts of all sorts, some word processing, sewing, gardening, and specialty cooking.

Paulette DiFilippo -- Librarian II -- Cataloging Department


Victoria Doll -- Unclassified Professional -- Program Assistant -- East Asian Library

I come from Taipei, Taiwan, so I am a genuine alien "professional other". I have spent many happy years here in Lawrence studying and working and enjoying friends and family. My little one year old is the only real baby Doll in town and the smartest little girl ever. If you don’t believe me just ask Grandma.
Penny Donaldson -- Library Assistant I -- Interlibrary Services

I'm the Borrowing Assistant and "whatever else is needed" in ILS. I tend to the window, answer phones, check books in and out, pay the bills, etc. I'm married to a full time farmer, and we live on the west side of Clinton Lake. We have four children--Pam, 22, a senior in business at that college up the river; Bruce, 21, part time construction worker at E-4 and part time farmer with his dad; Jyrel, 16, a 10th grader at Shawnee Heights (who drives now!); and Arlee, 14, an 8th grader at Shawnee Heights. I teach Sunday School and am on the Board of Trustees at Clinton Presbyterian Church. I'm Community Advisor for the Stull Busy Beavers 4-H club as well as coordinating the knitting and crocheting on behalf of the National Yarn Council. In my spare time I take classes at the School of Library and Information Management at Emporia State University and now am halfway through my Master's. I've been at the library since April 1986 and I love it!

Diana Dyal -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

I have a BSE in Math from KU (1983). A few months ago I noticed that the math part of my brain was beginning to atrophy, so I started working with students who are having problems with calculus. My husband and I blended two families of adolescents together 3 years ago--we're both still reeling from the shock, but everyone is still alive, so we must be doing something right. After May, two will be out of high school--three to go. Needless to say, my life is not boring. My husband (Steve Gnagy) and I play flute and guitar together whenever we get the chance. Other interests are: reading, walking, cooking, braille transcribing, studying, and enjoying life.

Wanda Dyer -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

New to Authorities Unit and Lawrence, Kansas since January, 1990. I don't know German, and I'm not a spelunker. So, I probably do most of what everybody does in a married household with young and active children.

Brad Eden -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

B.A. (Double major in Music and Religion; Honors in Religion), Carthage College, 1982; M.A. (Musicology), Indiana State University, 1984; Ph.D. (Musicology), in progress at K.U. I am finishing my dissertation on sequence repertories in the medieval English liturgical uses. I have been working in Cataloging as a graduate assistant since 1984, and joined the Subject Authorities Unit as LA I in 1987. My interests include reading, backpacking, camping, hiking, and spending time with my wife, Elise, and 7 year old daughter, Crystal.
Joyce Elliott -- Library Assistant I -- Bindery Preparations and Repair

I have worked at KU 11 years. In my spare time I enjoy quilting, horseback riding and the great outdoors. I have three great children and a wonderful husband. My aspirations include living a full life and enjoying my family.

Judith Z. Emde -- Librarian I -- Assistant Science Librarian -- Anschutz Science Library

My responsibilities within the Science Library include: reference; online literature searching; collection development in the areas of pharmacy, medicine, health services administration, and speech-language-hearing; technical services supervision; and any project or problems that arise. I received a B.M.E. (1977) in music education (so what am I doing in science?) from the University of Northern Iowa and a M.A. (1981) in library science from the University of Missouri-Columbia. I began employment with the KU libraries in 1986 after a 4 year stint at the National Center for Toxicological Research in Arkansas. Most of my spare time is spent with my daughter, Sara (1984). I enjoy playing flute with a local woodwind quintet, and I especially enjoy living quietly in the country.

Nicholas Eshelman -- Librarian I -- Cataloging Department

Linda Evans -- Library Assistant II -- Watson Reference

I'm responsible for the overall maintenance of the reference collections and its records. You'll often find me on the second floor unravelling the mysteries of lost books, errant pr's, and answering claims. I spent several years racking up academic hours as I traveled from city to city and back again, finishing up a BA in history at KU. Somewhere between universities, I developed a love for dance, studying ballet seriously for a few years before moving on to folk and American dance. I'm presently on the board of the Lawrence Barn Dance Association, promoting dance for people of all ages. I'm always scheming to create more dance opportunities in Lawrence and am presently involved in bringing swing, ballroom and Scandinavian dance to a wider audience here. When not dancing, I'm often curled up with a good novel by any of a number of contemporary women writers.
Verna Froese -- Office Assistant III -- Acquisitions Department

I've been working full-time in Watson since October 1983. Prior to that, I was a student assistant in the Math/CS Library. I worked in the Reference Department before being transferred to Acquisitions. I'm a detective of sorts, checking to see if a bibliographer is ordering a duplicate of something we already own. I am a member of the Classified Conference Executive Board and the Personnel Committee. As a student at KU, I got a master's degree in counseling. For my thesis, I surveyed couples married at least 40 years to determine what factors are most important in long-lasting marriages. I'm proud to claim the land "down under" as home (Oklahoma, not Australia), but I'm 100% Jayhawk when it comes to sports. I enjoy puzzles and counted cross-stitching. I make no apologies for being pro-life. My immediate goal is to start a local chapter of pro-life Lutherans. Finally, to clear up any confusion about my last name, it's as simple as "froze".

Joy Fry -- Library Associate -- Serials Cataloging

I have worked in the Cataloging Department since April 1973 doing a variety of jobs from manual card production to departmental secretary to monographic copy cataloging and now serials cataloging. Non-library interests/activities include crafts (needlework, stained glass, quilting), Bible study, camping, canoeing, gardening/landscaping, interior design, and acting as a child-birth labor coach for my Birthright clients.

Barb Gaeddert -- Librarian II -- Cataloging Department

My undergraduate degree is from Oberlin College in Ohio; my MSLIS is from Western Reserve University. Before coming to Kansas, I worked at the Deere and Company Library (the John Deere tractor people) in Moline, Illinois, at a small public library in Louisiana, and did acquisitions for Northwestern State University of Louisiana and the University of Iowa. I came to Kansas in 1974. At home there are two cats, Mickie and Sesto, who really run the place. My hobbies include sewing and photography. Our Old West Lawrence home is undergoing renovation. My current cataloging assignments are music and technology.

Angella Galloway -- Office Assistant II -- Mail Room

Earl Gates -- Librarian III -- Cataloging Department
George Gibbs -- Assistant Dean for Technical Services -- Administrative Office

Background: Born and raised in Beaufort, a small town in North Carolina. Graduated from Duke University (B.A. in English) and Columbia University (M.L.S.). Previous professional experience at the Library of Congress, Columbia, and UCLA. My wife Ruth is also a librarian. We have a son, Thomas, 13. Activities and interests: eclectic taste in music has encouraged numerous record, tape, and CD purchases. Special interests: organ and piano music; opera; early jazz; gamelan music; early rock music and R & B from the mid-fifties to the early seventies, especially Aretha Franklin. Reading, with special interests in mysteries and Trollope. Movies from all time periods, all countries, with special interests in American silent comedies, American movies of the 1930’s, and Warner Brothers cartoons. Cookng, especially bread-making and canning jams, jellies, and chutneys. Walking, hiking, and when caught in the right mood, camping.

Gaele Gillespie -- Librarian II -- Serials Department

Sandy Gilliland -- Assistant to the Dean (for Personnel) -- Administrative Office

Background: born in Clinton, Iowa; raised in Kansas. Have been employed at KU in various capacities since 1974; in Libraries since 1978; in present position since 1984. Activities: strong interest in horses (currently have 5 of various colors and breeds), and I enjoy gardening and downhill skiing. I have a constant supply of "registered barn kittens" for anyone who wants one (or a dozen!).

Sally Haines -- Librarian II -- Associate Special Collections Librarian -- Special Collections

I am a NJ girl who crossed the Delaware to go to college (BA, Germ.), to get married, unmarried, go to Drexel for the MLS, and finally to come west in the mid-60’s with my two little girls (Kate and Erika) to settle forever in KS. In Spec. Coll. I help folks use the history of botany collections and Slavica, make exhibits, catalog, etc. After hours I’m a Slavic Lang. & Lit. Dept. groupie, a Balkan folk dancer, and spend 10-15 hrs/week doing research on the history of botanical exploration in Albania, & studying the Albanian language. Only my bathroom (The Enver Hoxha memorial Reading Room) is not yet filled with floppy disks and plant books. I’m a movie freak, drink my beer at the Rock Chalk, and wish it snowed more in KS. Also interested in KS plants and geology, and mountain camping. Memberships: KS Wildflower Soc.; Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries. For rest, I jog every other day. Aspiration: you guessed it! -- botanizing at 9000' in Albania without getting shot.

Susan Hamilton -- Library Assistant II -- Acquisitions Department
Luceil Hamlin -- Library Associate -- Serials Department

Background: hometown, Lawrence; spent childhood years in Texas, migrated to Arkansas for 5 years, then returned to Lawrence to stay. Employed in Library 4/59 as a 3 month temporary which turned into long-time employee in various departments throughout the library system. Activities: enjoy reading, raising beef cattle and training horses. Aspirations: to continue to acquire knowledge.

Rex D. Hargis, Jr. -- Office Assistant IV -- Student Employment Coordinator -- Administrative Office

I am currently a Senator on the Classified Senate and the Chairman of the Library Classified Conference. I have been an officer in the Kansas Army National Guard since 1986. I am currently a member in the Society for Creative Anachronism. I enjoy participating and watching sports, reading, and playing Middle Eastern drum for dancers.

Jennifer Harkness -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Bayliss Harsh -- Library Assistant II -- Reserve Supervisor -- Watson Circulation

I've worked at Watson since 1974 and have been in Reserve since 1977. College - B.S. degree from KU in secondary education, language arts. My favorite things are: dancing of every kind, music, watching figure skating, playing the fiddle, learning American Sign Language, going to folk and music festivals, and spending time with Doug (husband) and the three Puppies.

Mary Hawkins -- Assistant Dean for Public Services -- Administrative Office

Schooling: Library degree from Emporia, followed by employment with Midwest Research Institute in Kansas City. Employment with KU in mid-August of 1970, first in cataloging, then in personnel work before assuming current responsibilities.

Sherry Hawkins -- Library Assistant II -- Microforms Collection

Most of my responsibilities are centered on the Microforms Collection located on the 4th floor of Watson Library. The rest of my time and energy is spent at the reference desk helping questioning patrons understand and use our complex library system. I have been in the KU library system for many years and worked at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville library before coming to Lawrence. I have recently received my MLS from Emporia State University and hope to be able to spend more time now on my outside activities which include university and library committee work, theater productions, KU basketball, and SAILING.

James Helyar -- Librarian III -- Special Collections
Susan Hewitt -- Library Assistant II -- Anschutz Science Library

I am responsible for the bibliographic searching and ordering of books for the Sci/Tech libraries, Science duplicate exchange, and I work on the Science Library Reference Desk. My ambitions are modest: to have a warm, inviting, comfortable home, a garden that blooms from March to November, and money and time to travel. When not at work, I'm usually at home with my husband and dog where I like to putter in the garden; buy and read books (history, biography, mysteries, gardening, American and English literary history, travel, and plant and seed catalogs); sew and knit; cook (when and only when the spirit moves me); and solve jigsaw puzzles and logic problems. When we find time to travel, its usually somewhere with computers for Joe and gardens for me. The dog, unfortunately, has to be content with the attractions of Baldwin City.

Annamarie Hill -- Library Automation Analyst -- Office of Information Systems

Susan Hitchens -- Librarian II -- Music Librarian -- Music Library


Deborah Hodges -- Program Assistant -- Regents Center Library

Nancy Hollingsworth -- Library Assistant II -- Kansas Collection

Have worked in the library system for twelve years, one in the Science Library and the remaining eleven in the Kansas Collection. Have studied at KU, the Sorbonne, and University of Strasbourg. A natural foods enthusiast and vegetarian who enjoys traveling, camping, backpacking, music, swimming, baking, crocheting, and solitude (when not dashing about with daughters, ages 16, 10, and 4).

Jane Hoyt -- Library Assistant I -- Anschutz Science Library

Life is vigorous for the Hoyts, what with three children, Andrew, Nick, and Grace Anne, two full time jobs, and a wonderful hundred year old house that we live in and renovate. My roots are in Minnesota, but I came most directly from Colorado to KU and earned a BFA in Textile Design. My husband and I met here and stayed in Lawrence, deciding it was a good community for families. My interests include: swimming, sewing, gardening, general fun outside, and teaching Sunday school.

Marilyn Hu -- Library Assistant II -- Anschutz Science Library
Geoff Husic -- Librarian I -- Serials Cataloging

Ann Hyde -- Librarian III (Curator of Manuscripts) -- Special Collections

Started in 1962 as a volunteer LA. Principal duty and delight: reconstructing the life of a long-dead man by deciphering a knotty scrawl; and making it possible for others to experience the same intellectual and emotional pleasure. Other pleasures: Anglo-Saxon and the English language, science fiction, mysteries, microcomputers, medieval culture, British topography, bagpipes, motels, food and wine, houses, reading recipes, cats, runners, pro football, apple trees, fireplaces, thyme, leaves, bookish things, dusk, snow, and silence.

Nancy Jaeger -- Assistant to the Dean for Budget -- Administrative Office

Carol Jeffries -- Library Associate -- Acquisitions Department

Barbara Jones -- Librarian III -- Reference Librarian -- Watson Reference

Bibliographer for education and dance & online search coordinator. A survivor of the student unrest of the late '60s (lived next to the Rock Chalk Cafe in the 60's & 70's), BJ is evidence of the holding power of local cultural attractions. Notable among these are the Douglas County 4-H Demolition Derby, the annual Blow Your Horn Contest of the Lawrence Woodwind Quintet (in which BJ blows oboe) with the local chapter of the Society for the Preservation of the Kazoo Playing in America, & the spring Steam Engine Show at McLouth, a thriving small town within easy driving distance of Lawrence. (There are, of course, other attractions to fit less discriminating tastes and BJ is an authority on some of these.) BJ also makes her own clothes & styles her own hair - unfortunately. As an addition to the above let it be known that BJ is a graduate of K-State (BS-English) & Denver (MLS) & has never actually attended the McLouth Steam Engine Show because she prefers to save that event as "something to look forward to".

Ned Kehde -- Librarian III -- University Archives

Adjunct Bibliographer at the KU Archives is also part-time sanitation engineer at his wife's bookstore, the Raven. Ned claims he can catch 150 fish in 2 hours.

Patrick Kingsbury -- Library Automation Analyst -- Office of Information Systems

Donna Kipp -- Office Assistant III -- Engineering Library

Donna works part-time at the Engineering Library and the other half of her time is spent pursuing her undergraduate degree in Anthropology.
Channette Kirby -- Library Assistant II -- Anschutz Science Library

I am responsible for Government Documents, catalog maintenance (books only, serials go to Rich), new books and general other assorted projects in the Science Library. I live in Baldwin in an old bungalow under constant renovation with a renaissance husband and a three-year old son, Liam. Between the house, family, this job, festivals and performances, gardening and art, I seem to keep busy. In my free time I am still studying sociology and architecture at KU.

Lorrie Knox -- Librarian I -- Anschutz Science Library

I was born in Wichita but raised in Iowa alongside the "Mighty Muddy". Received MLS at Emporia. From 1984-1989, enjoyed working for the University of North Dakota Libraries - in the land of curling, hockey, leftse, and Alberta clippers. Came to KU in Sept. 1989, just in time to work on THE MOVE. Duties: staffing the reference desk; online searching; collection development in botany, geology and natural history; and supervision of the ASL circulation department. Joys: jigsaw puzzles, snowball fights, bowling, cribbage, cross stitch, spoiling my niece and nephew, musicals, science fiction, freelance indexing and canoeing (not necessarily in that order). Aspirations include: inheriting an old 3 or 4 story house (completely restored) on a river bluff; watching a Super Bowl game between Seattle and Denver end in a tie; enjoying "The Sound of Music" in 3-d and stereo at my own movie theater.

Donna Koepp -- Librarian II -- Head, Government Documents and Map Library


Miloche Kottman -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

I was born in Okinawa in 1965. From there I moved to Oklahoma; Texas; Frankfurt, Germany; Arizona; Monterey, California; Fresno, California; back to Monterey, CA; Heilbronn, Germany; Leavenworth, Kansas; and finally Lawrence. I graduated from KU in May of 1987 with a BA in Math. I got married in June 1987 to James Kottman. I started in Cataloging as a LAI in August 1987. I previously worked as a student in the Authorities Unit starting in 1983. My interests are Heavy Metal Rock concerts and reading fantasy and science-fiction books.

Marilyn Landon -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Kathy Lathrom -- Library Assistant I -- Serials Department

Been with the Libraries' Serials Department for 12-1/2 years. Hobbies include collecting dolls, stamps and red dishes. Also enjoy gardening, reading, sewing and crocheting.
**Lars Leon** -- Library Assistant II -- Acquisitions Department

I began my library career as a student employee in the spring of 1984 in the search unit of the Acquisitions Department. I became an LAI in August 1986. I have spent most of my time searching but at times I have been pulled from my searching duties to do other duties which have included working in cataloging, serials receiving, building stacks in Anschutz, and serving on the search committee for the new library dean. Currently I am searching (and supervising the Acquisition Department students who are searching) pre and gifts. I graduated from the University of Kansas in May 1987 with a Business Administration degree. Throughout my life (and currently) I have enjoyed playing tennis, golf, basketball, cooking, collecting baseball cards, and traveling. My favorite domestic destination is Key West, Florida. My future plans? Owning my own business with possibly a taste of travel involved.

**Kent Lewis** -- Library Assistant I -- Interlibrary Services

**Malcolm Kerr Lodwick** -- Office Assistant III -- Acquisitions Department

Completed my Bachelor of Architecture degree May 1990. Designed a second house Fall 1989 (construction currently 90% complete). Recently purchased a small property on Illinois street which we plan to selectively nuke. Will build a front porch which symbolizes the free time that I don’t have. Inherited garden tools a-plenty and am very much looking forward to puttering around in the yard and planting a hedgerow and a few trees. Aspire to improve my well being/outlook.

**Ken Lohrentz** -- Librarian II -- Cataloging Department

B.A. from Bethel College (N. Newton, KS), Ph.D. from the Big Orange (Syracuse), and M.L.S. from Indiana. A native Kansan from Harvey County, but left the state in '68 to begin graduate studies at Syracuse, NY. Returned to Kansas in '84 by way of Nairobi, St. Albans (U.K), Syracuse again, Bloomington, IN, and Lincoln, NE. My wife (Lola) and I moved 12 times in our first 11 years of marriage—our marriage survived. Decided it was time to put down roots after moving to NE, and stayed eight years. Have now been at KU since 1984, after arriving just in time to plan the installation of INNOVACQ. My library career began with a student assistantship in African Studies in the I.U. Library, where I worked as assistant to the African Bibliographer. I worked from '76 to '82 as a social science bibliographer at U. of Nebraska, then transferred to Acquisitions for six years. Effective 1988, I was reassigned to the Cataloging Department.
**John Lynch** -- Office Assistant III -- Anschutz Science Library

My Story by J. Lynch.

I was born in Oklahoma. I got a degree from KU. I'm currently in a bind at the Science Library. Before that I served at the State Hysterical Society in Topeka. In my spare time I enjoy Celtic music and Mystery! and my family (not necessarily in that order.) My goal is to become a professional Highland bagpiper or a canine psychotherapist. The End.

**Yvonne Martinez** -- Secretary I -- Secretary -- Kansas Collection

I enjoy reading a variety of books. I like taking classes in sign language, and wouldn't mind getting a degree in this. I have a degree in elementary education and was working on a Masters in Library Science. I hope someday to go back and finish so that I could get my Masters. I like children and have over 15 nieces and nephews.

**Bob Marvin** -- Library Associate -- Cataloging Department

I seem to have writer's block. I graduated from KU twenty years ago and have been working in Cataloging fifteen. This means incoming freshmen next year weren't born when I finished college and weren't in kindergarten yet when I started work here.

**Alexandra Mason** -- Librarian III -- Spencer Librarian -- Special Collections

Educated: Mount Holyoke College (AB, Greek) and Carnegie Tech (MSLS). KU employment: Special Collections cataloguer, 1957-1963; head of department, 1963-; 1961/62, Durham University Library (exchange appointment). Professional pleasures: 15th to 17th century books, physical bibliography, talking with researchers about their work. Active in RBMS, especially Bibliographical Standards Committee, Security and Ethical Standards Committees; has been chair of RBMS and served on ACRL Board; chair of Lilly Library Visiting Committee; First recipient of Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Librarianship. Private pleasures: travel in Great Britain, driving an old MGB, reading detective stories, playing with microcomputers.
Al Mauler -- Library Associate -- Cataloging Department

Born 10-05-46 (Olmitz, KS); HS Pontifical College Josephinum (Worthington, OH); BA (German), Creighton '68; MA (German) KU '72; MPhil (German) KU '75. Married (wife, Marcy), 2 children (Leo 19, finishing freshman year at KU; Tanya, 17). Hobbies: photography and reading (what else!), esp. murder mysteries and popular Catholic theology. There is probably something suspicious about my coming to work in Watson Library—I was offered the position on Friday, March 13, 1981 and began work on April Fools Day. Taught German for 7 years as a TA in the German Department and since 1974 have taught German by correspondence through Independent Study, (Continuing Education). I drifted into directing the German Department's reading room in Wescoe (the Engel German Library), so my background is primarily in language and language instruction with some experience running a "one-horse" library. In the Cataloging Department I began working with "analytics" (monographs that are analyzed and classed together as a set) and promoted into my current position in December 1983. I supervise OCLC Unit I, which handles bookflow (new books from Acquisitions and books into and out of Hold) and do some advanced copy cataloging. From 1984 to 1989 was the president of KULSA.

Rosemary McDonough -- Librarian II -- Watson Reference

Reference Librarian and Bibliographer for Business.

Leslie McLaughlin -- Program Assistant -- O'Hegarty Project -- Special Collections

Jennifer Mellenbruch -- Unclassified Professional -- Extension Assistant -- Regent Center Library

I was born and raised in Lawrence. Before graduating from K.U. with a degree in Business Administration, I worked as a Student Assistant at the Exchange and Gifts Department. After graduating, I accepted a position as a Library Assistant at the Government Documents and Map Department. In 1987 I married Charlie and soon thereafter moved to Overland Park and started working at the Regents Center Library. When I have time, I enjoy bicycling, needlework, antiquing, and watching the grass grow.

Robert Melton -- Librarian II -- Special Collections and Reference

Bibliographer for English and American Literature, Comparative Literature, Theater and Film Studies, and Communication Studies.

Barbara Michaels -- Library Automation Analyst -- Office of Information Systems
John S. Miller -- Program Associate -- Automation Librarian

B.A. (history), Goshen College, 1971; M.A. (library science), University of Chicago, 1976. I came to KU as a cataloger on a grant project in 1979. Two years later I opened a branch office of BCR here in Watson Library and spent 3 1/2 years as a trainer and consultant for the eastern part of the BCR region. I then moved to the KU computer center, working as a programmer/analyst on library automation projects. I gradually spent more and more time on automation planning and less on programming. Finally, at the beginning of FY90, my title changed and I officially began working for the library again. It is hard to tell what my current job is, but there seems to be plenty to do. I like to play and listen to music, cook, eat, play basketball, and read mysteries. I do not like and do not trust machines in general and computers in specific.

Kent Miller -- Librarian II -- Serials Department

Mary Miller -- Library Associate -- Cataloging Department

Joined KU Libraries staff in July 1979 as a Clerk-Typist in Special Collections. Currently a Library Associate in Cataloging (Head of Authorities Unit). Outside interests include a variety of vocal and instrumental music, aerobics, youth work, several spectator sports, gardening, camping, and cats (owner of four furry felines). Currently in training to become a parent (HELPI).

Rachel Miller -- Librarian II -- Head, Acquisitions Department

Ruth Miller -- Secretary I -- Administrative Office

Shelley Miller -- Librarian II -- Bibliographer -- Head, Spain, Portugal and Latin America

Started my library career in SPLAT as a student assistant in 1976 while finishing BAS in Spanish and Social Work, and never would have guessed what an addiction awaited me. Ran off to L.A. for graduate work, returned for a Central American cataloging grant job, ran off to Washington, D.C. when the money ran out, and returned again to catalog Spanish and Portuguese materials here. Another Lawrence yo yo. (Grew up here too.) East Lawrence and city politics occupy my spare time, as do my old house, the yard from hell, my faithful dog Sully, and the ducks.

Carol Miner -- Office Assistant III -- Cataloging Department
Bill Mitchell -- Librarian III -- Special Collections
Wife: Jean. Grown son: Cotter. Came to school here in 1950 from the East (Johnson County, that is) and, except for time in the service and at library school (Illinois), have remained here. Worked through school as cook, waiter, fly-boy, bus driver, gas station attendant, carpenter and student assistant in Special Collections where, while dusting books, I decided I wanted to be a librarian. Vocational interest in conservation and preservation is also avocational. Very fond of Kansas; and Lawrence; and KU; and the Libraries. Pleasures? Working (library and home); being by the fire with Jean; the smells of wood and earth; the seasons; Flint Hills burning...

Lorraine Moore -- Librarian III -- Head, Cataloging Department
My undergraduate degree is in Latin, from the University of Colorado. I have an MS in LS from the Catholic University of America. I started out as a reference librarian at the District of Columbia Public Library and began my cataloging career at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. I have been head of the cataloging departments at the John Carter Brown Library at Brown University and UMKC -- and at KU since December 1982. The gray hairs are not from cataloging but because of two teen aged daughters. I also have a husband and two cats. Besides books, I like operas, computers, the Kansas City Royals and cataloging.

Dawn C. Murrell -- Library Assistant II -- Circulation Supervisor -- Engineering Library

Jim Neeley -- Librarian III -- Head, Watson Reference

Kathleen Neeley -- Librarian II -- Head, Science Libraries -- Anschutz Science Library
I go to lots of meetings, work on the reference desk, and am responsible for collection development in the chemistry and general science. I've been at KU since 1977. I have a B.S. in chemistry from Chatham College in Pittsburgh, PA and an M.S.L.S. from Syracuse University in Syracuse, NY. I am married to the Head of the Reference Department in Watson Library, Jim Neeley. I have a daughter, Laura, ten years old, and a son, Alan, six years old. They keep me very busy when I'm not at work. I enjoy gardening while watching the kids bike up and down the street. Things I like to do in my very spare, spare time include reading mysteries and historical novels and sewing. If I had any spare money, I would like to travel to Europe and New Zealand. We make an annual trip to Pensacola, Florida, where I indulge in lots of fresh seafood and relax on the beautiful white beaches.
John Nugent -- Librarian III -- University Archivist -- University Archives


Carmen Orth-Alfie -- Library Assistant I -- Government Documents and Map Library

I started school at KU in 1981 and have not yet succeeded in truly moving away. With a BFA-Textile Design I am among the many graduates that have found work in a totally unrelated field. I worked in Documents as a student and at Baker University Library before starting full time here in 1988. I come from a large family and often meet up with people who know one or another sibling. As a domesticated beast I enjoy cooking and sewing (it is all my mother's fault.) I received a pack rat instinct from my father and tend to save everything that just might be useful in the distant future. For now, my husband, Sebastian and I are content with life in Lawrence but, would like to experience something else, sometime.

Brenda Owens -- Library Assistant I -- Holds Office Supervisor -- Watson Circulation

I'm from Kansas City, Missouri and I graduated from Northeast High School in 1971. I went to Northwest Missouri State in Marysville, MO for a couple of years then went back to Kansas City and worked as a nursing assistant on the Medical Floor at Baptist Memorial Hospital. I came to KU in 1976 and graduated in 1980 with a BA in Anthropology. I enjoy science fiction (reading, movies/TV, and going to conventions). I also have a small doll collection. My oldest doll is from the 1870's and my newest is a character doll from this year. I also enjoy learning new crafts. Right now I'm learning embroidery and quilting. I guess I'm one of those people who collect hobbies!

David Pardue -- Librarian I -- SPLAT Monograph Cataloger -- Cataloging Department

Born and raised in Austin, TX. On occasion left the house to attend school, and received a B.A. and M.A. in Spanish from the University of Texas at Austin. Library school looked appealing after I had worked in a grocery store for about a year. Finished the M.L.S. in May 1989. Aspire to develop a classification and indexing scheme for supermarket tabloids.
Evelyn Constance Powell -- Librarian I -- Science Reference Librarian -- Anschutz Science Library

I have a background in the sciences (biochemistry) and five years previous experience in medical librarianship. My interests are the physical and biological sciences and music (piano).

Jo Nell Proctor -- Accountant II -- Administrative Office

Nancy Rake -- Library Associate -- Cataloging Department

Background: Native Kansan and Lawrence resident almost all my life.

Schooling: B.Ed. from Washburn University in Elementary Education. I took 12 additional hours of library course work by correspondence from the University of Utah. Have been at KU: came to work in the cataloging department in 1975, where I will probably remain till my last breath. Activities: I head the unit that establishes and maintains the series online file, dabble in the online serial file, and have been unofficial social chairman of the department. Interests: a passion for reading; I always have a book with me. My pleasures are times off with family and friends, times to read, times to travel, sunrises and sunsets and mountains. Aspirations: I hope to survive raising two daughters and a cocker spaniel to adulthood. Dream: I'd like to eliminate my backlog at work.

James Ranz -- Dean of Libraries -- Administrative Office

Michael Readinger -- Librarian I -- O'Hegarty Project -- Special Collections

We (my family and I) moved here from Wichita last January. Reason -- do you really need one to move from Wichita? -- was for me to work on the O'Hegarty project and for my wife to go to school -- again! Renee will enter the School of Pharmacy this fall. We have a son (Seth -- age 5) and a daughter (Emily -- due any day now.) We are in the midst of buying our first home so we figure closing day and birth-day will probably fall within minutes of each other. Interests and hobbies: raising children and home repair. (Might as well be, I don't have time for anything else!

Janet Revenew -- Library Assistant II -- Periodicals Reading Room

Started in July, 1973 in Periodicals; survived Watson renovation. I enjoy reading and volunteering for activities at my daughter's school. I am a native Lawrencian. I am an excellent procrastinator when it comes to housework. As dismal as it may seem, this is all I can think of.
Saralinda Rhodes -- Librarian I -- Watson Reference

Here a little over 3 years from the beautiful west coast, I'm beginning to feel at home in Kansas now. When not hard at work, I enjoy many different activities from puttering around the house and garden to travelling far and wide. Art and music, writing, photography, exploring the great outdoors, and keeping in touch with family and friends are some of the things from which I've always derived pleasure. Just recently I've rediscovered how much I like dancing both ballroom and barn -- and painting, and playing the piano just for fun and relaxation.

John Richardson -- Librarian I -- Cataloger -- Cataloging Department

Education: B.A., East Asian Languages and Literatures, Indiana University, 1972. M.L.S., School of Information Science, Indiana University, 1988. Since I majored in Japanese at Indiana University, it should come as no surprise to anyone that I catalog mostly German-language materials here at KU. In the years between academic degree-seeking, I lived in Germany for a while and ran a foreign language instruction program/lab at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, among other things. Along the way I also became part of a growing household, which that last time I checked included besides myself, two daughters, Mariah and Sarah, aged eight and five, their mother Deborah Snyder, who is ageless, two dogs and a cat, whose ornery disposition may be a form of protest against his name which is Cat.

Richard R. Ring -- Librarian II -- Collection Development

Background: born, Chicago, Illinois; have lived in Illinois, Wisconsin, Italy and Massachusetts. Schooling: Lake Forest College; Harvard University; University of Wisconsin-Madison. Have been at KU since June 1979. Reading interests: mysteries, thrillers, medieval history, WWI.

Mary Roach -- Librarian III -- Cataloging Department

Born and grew up in Wauwatosa, WI (suburb of Milwaukee). Moved to Lawrence in 1974. BA in Sociology and Spanish from Marquette University, MLS from University of Michigan. Started with KU Libraries full time in 1976 as a cataloger. In the summer of 1977 I assumed supervisory responsibilities for the OCLC paraprofessional cataloging units. Hobbies include furniture refinishing, sewing and needlework.
Wendy Roberts -- Office Assistant III -- Interlibrary Services/Regents Center

I grew up in the suburbs of Chicago, did my B.A. at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia (American Studies), then returned to the Midwest eleven years ago. I worked for the KU Bookstores for ten of those years before coming to the KU Libraries in March, 1989. (I really enjoy my "split appointment" between the Regents Center and ILS.) My interests include reading, journal-writing, spinning and weaving, traveling, cooking, walking and Celtic music. I'm always trying to find the delicate balance between my need for solitude and my need for friendships. I live in an old house with my cat Emma.

Mary M. Rosenbloom -- Librarian I -- Reference Librarian and Women's Studies Bibliographer -- Watson Reference

I came to KU in August 1988 after a "crazy quilt" of library jobs. Over a five year period I worked at three different libraries at Harvard -- first in acquisitions, then in reference, and then for a bibliographic project. I then moved to California where I worked for a network training librarians how to use RLIN. Finally I worked at Stanford University in the Director's Office. Now I am doing what I always thought I wanted to do. I graduated from Oberlin College with degrees in American Studies and Voice Performance, and after five grueling years of part-time study I got my MLS from Simmons College in Boston. My husband, Josh, and I spend our free time going to movies (all of the ones shown in Lawrence, no matter how awful), messing around with our house and "garden" (i.e. weed patch), and traipsing around Kansas. We have visited many a hot spot and are happy to share tales of high adventure.

Gary Samuelson -- Office Assistant IV -- Fines Supervisor -- Watson Circulation

BFA, 1975, University of Kansas - Advertising and Editorial Art. I have been employed by the State of Kansas for twelve years. I enjoy antiques and collect Fiesta ware. At present, I have over 460 pieces. I am a homeowner and enjoying all the freedom this brings.

Bradley L. Schaffner -- Librarian I -- Russian and Soviet Studies Bibliographer -- Slavic Department

I received my M.A. in Soviet History and my M.L.S. from Indiana University. I occasionally work on my dissertation in the hope of also receiving a Ph.D. in history from Indiana. Before coming to Lawrence I lived in Bloomington, Indiana where I worked at IU library as a Slavic copy cataloger. I enjoy sailing in my free time.
Krista Schmidt -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Rebecca Schulte -- Librarian I -- Assistant Curator -- Kansas Collection

Sister of 8, mother of 2 and married to a land-locked boatbuilder, I began working in Watson as a student assistant in 1973, received my BA in 1975 and started as a Clerk II in Cataloging where I worked until 1980. My MA is from the University of Wisconsin--Madison (yes it was cold, but fun). The Kansas State Historical Society in Topeka was the next stop which sparked an interest in Kansas history. I returned to KU in 1985 as leader of the Wilcox Collection Cataloging Project, and I am now the Assistant Curator of the Kansas Collection where I do a little bit of everything. Interests include my family (Emily aged 10, Lizzie aged 6 and Dan aged 36), books, gardening, traveling (by car, motorcycle or canoe), and eating, preferably food which someone else has prepared.

Norma Scoince -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

Background: Grew up in Kansas. After marriage, moved to Deming, NM where my husband and I established a business firm. Schooling: Baker University, Washburn University and N.M.S.U. (Las Cruces, NM). Have been at KU 4 1/2 years. Interests: I like oil painting and sewing. Pleasures: Sitting on the banks of Douglas County Lake while my son fishes.

C. Christine Scott -- Library Assistant I -- Regents Center Library

Stephen Shartran -- Library Assistant I -- Interlibrary Services

Marianne Siegmund -- Librarian II -- Cataloging Department

Immigrated to Kansas by way of Indiana, Oklahoma, Austria, and Transylvania. I was a cataloger at KU from 1979 to 1982, with a special interest in Spanish language materials. From 1982 to the present I've been involved in authority work. I have no particular interest in vampires, but anything else about Transylvanian history and culture is gladly accepted.

Kendall Simmons -- Library Associate -- Head, Watson Circulation

I'm the one who celebrates the beginning of each softball season with a pair of crutches and a case of beer. And who "celebrates" the Red Sox losing every year with another case of beer.
Alex Slater -- Office Assistant III -- Cataloging Department

   B.A. (Biology) from the University of Connecticut; M.Sc. and Ph.D. (Entomology) from KU. Having worked in the cataloging department for less than a month I'm still not sure what I'm doing -- most likely creating headaches for the rest of the department. Aside from work -- "050 is my life" -- I am interested, among other things, in systematic biology, old fountain pens, microcomputers, mysteries, science fiction/fantasy, and model railroads. My major aspiration at this time is to learn enough about cataloging to be able to understand what my wife, Geri, is talking about.

Geri Slater -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

   B.S. Elementary Education, University of CT, 1969 + 9 hours, University of Bridgeport, + 54 hours at KU (48 in Art History), 1978 at KU Libraries to present. Like to use the B.S. as much as possible. Have trouble speaking anything but American, but can read with the aid of dictionaries: Australian, English, French, German, Latin, and Spanish. My specialties are 1) sponsoring a graduate student at KU (my better half) and 2) breaking a leg (my right half). Absolutely adore art museums, British royalty, traveling and anything that costs a lot of money.

Jim Smith -- Library Assistant II -- Music Library

   Jim Smith has been the Library Assistant in the Music Library since August '77. Before that, he was a member of the Bibliographic Research Unit in the Cataloging Department, and prior to joining the Library worked as a security officer at KU and a student assistant in the Music Library during the turbulent early 70's. Having earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Music History (with a minor in voice) and a Master of Art degree in Musicology (both conferred by KU), Jim has somehow resisted the siren call to pursue a doctorate or the ever-coveted MLS. A member of the Lawrence Civic Choir since 1979, he has travelled with that group on three European tours: Poland (1980), Romania/Austria (1986), and Austria/Hungary (1990). Jim plays weekend golf (he will shoot his age some day, the hope of all golfers, should he live to be 127), enjoys long walks, and has performed in local productions of Mozart and Gilbert & Sullivan.
Kathy Snell -- Librarian I -- Reference Librarian -- Watson Reference

A native Minnesotan, I have a BA from the University of Minnesota and an MLS from the University of South Carolina. I joined Watson's Reference Department in August 1988. Between the two degrees, I worked a total of 17 years as a paraprofessional at the Charleston Co. (SC) Public Library, the University of Colorado Libraries, and the University of Minnesota Libraries. I like Minnesota lakes (but not the winters), the Colorado Rockies, Carolina springs, and Kansas sunsets (but not the wind). I enjoy library history research, listening to Garrison Keillor, crocheting, walking, reading mysteries, and may be the last of the great letter-writers (I support the Raven Bookstore and the Lawrence Post Office).

Clarisa Ann Snow -- Library Assistant I -- Art and Architecture Library

B.A. Theater 1975, Radford University, Virginia. Currently working on B.F.A. in Illustration at KU.

Christina Spray -- Library Assistant II -- Interlibrary Services

Malgorzata Stamm -- Library Assistant I -- Cataloging Department

In 1976 I received a MA in education from the University of Warsaw. The same year I became a graduate teaching assistant in the Department of Early Childhood Education. During all the years at U.W., I was doing research on the development of child language, writing book reviews, reading all available American books, and trying to be optimistic. In 1984, I came to the U.S. on an exchange program, met my husband, Ed, and fell in love with America, especially with Lawrence. I also learned that my true interests are connected with literature and humanities rather than with science. That is why I'm now reading all available Polish books. I've been working in Watson Library since 1985 in many different departments and recently hired as a LA I in the Authorities Unit (cataloging) processing Retrocon materials.

Inge Starr -- Library Assistant I -- Government Documents and Map Library

Elizabeth Stephens -- Library Assistant II -- Approval Plan Unit -- Acquisitions Department

Born in Memphis, TN. Universities and degrees: B.M. (University of North Texas); M.M. (KU) both in organ performance. Former positions: instructor in organ and piano (the Victoria College, Victoria, TX.), assistant instructor in organ (KU), many church positions, also, private studio in piano and organ (Victoria, TX). Current position: LAII in Acquisitions Approval Plan Unit (18-1/2 years), organist at Trinity Episcopal (about the same!). Family: 5 children, 1 husband, 3 cats. Children and husband are musicians, cats aren’t. Interests: old houses, music, liturgy, reading, gardening and traveling. (Don’t get to do much with the last two.)

Denise Swartz -- Accountant I -- Administrative Office

Schooling: high school and 2 years of college. Have been at KU for 13 years in various capacities. I was born and raised in Parsons, KS. I enjoy bowling in the winter and playing softball in the summer. I am married to David Swartz and have 2 children (Amy and Ryan). Trying to keep up with all of their activities is my other full-time job.

Eleanor Symons -- Librarian III -- Watson Reference

Born in Camborne, Cornwall, England. Educated: Camborne County School for Girls; Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford; University of London School of Librarianship. I came to the University of Kansas Libraries in September, 1957. Worked in Preparations (Cataloging); Book Selection; Acquisitions; and Reference since September 1983. Current bibliographic duties: classics; French and Italian; linguistics; religious studies; and formerly English, Germanic languages, philosophy, and general literature. Principal interests: language, especially word histories and dialect dictionaries; literature, especially classical and medieval; folklore and tradition; place names and personal name studies; liturgies, Biblical studies; church history; textile crafts; British topography; murder mysteries.

Toni Taylor -- Library Assistant I -- Bindery/Serials Assistant -- Anschutz Science Library

Began working in Entomology Reading Room in 1970, moved to Science Serials in 1978, now responsible for binding, repairs, LSER updates - problem solving and reference. Married to famous KU honey-bee biologist/tropical ecologist. Own degrees: AB, Mount Holyoke (zoology); MS, Yale; unfinished PhD on the reproductive systems of female lepidoptera. Mother to two wonderful daughters (U. Wisc.-Madison and Duke). Step-mother to exuberant 3rd generation golden retriever. A sometimes homesick New Englander who lives for swimming in the summer and Jayhawk basketball in the winter. Recent adventures: canoeing and fishing for northern pike in the Canadian wildlands; exploring the length of South Africa testing for genetic diversity in the original "African bees".
Tahiri Thompson -- Library Assistant II -- Cataloging Department

Background: I've been in cataloging around 4 years, including a year or two in retrocon. Schooling: I have a bachelors degree in linguistics. Interests: Anyone who's ever seen my desk knows that I like cats. When I'm not working, I like to read, watch movies and spend time with friends.

JoAnna Traxler -- Library Assistant I -- Acquisitions Department

Vickie Allen Truscello -- Program Assistant -- O'Hegarty Project -- Special Collections

B.A., English - UCLA. Previous experience in special libraries in N.Y., Los Angeles, and Washington, D.C. with a specialty in business and financial information. Plan to pursue a Masters degree in Far Eastern Art History (at KU) when project ends.

Sara Tubby -- Printer II -- Bindery Preparations and Repair

Mary Lou Warren -- Library Associate -- Government Documents and Map Library

Ten years at KU--nothing changes. Eleven years -- the car gets totaled, the cat dies, the children grow up and occasionally move out, and Docs moves & moves & moves & moves & moves from the basement of Spencer to sixth floor Malott. We no longer squint and have rickets, but we get nosebleeds. I know I've been in Docs for a long time because I can remember where almost anything is -- except where I've parked my car. I'll know I've been in docs for too long when I get used to moving. Still love junking, music, Air Force Reserves & racquetball. Am not so sure about teenagers. Hate moving. Do not plan on being here for our next "temporary move", but do hope for one final move -- to the woods in Vermont in a few years.

Julie Waters -- Librarian I -- Anschutz Science Library

B.A., The University of Michigan. Ran off to Texas shortly after graduation. Returned to high school (that time as a teacher). M.L.I.S., The University of Texas at Austin. Came to Kansas to escape the heat. Work related duties include reference, automation coordination, and collection development in math, computer science, entomology, and systematic ecology. Live to backpack. Love to polka. Like to swim, run, hike and practice Ki-Aikido.
LeAnn Weller -- Librarian II -- Head, Engineering Library

I have a B.A. in biology and physical sciences from Emporia State University. My MLS is from the University of Michigan. Before moving to Lawrence, I worked at the University of Arizona and Linda Hall Library. At KU Engineering Library I answer questions, order materials for engineering, do computer literature searches, solve problems and attend meetings. I am active in ALA, ACRL, STS, and SLA. In my spare time I enjoy traveling, eating out, playing the piano or organ, reading, working of crafts (especially needlepoint and weaving). My newest hobby is my house. I also enjoy hostessing a Holiday Open House each December.

Annie Williams -- Librarian II -- Cataloging Department


Sherry Williams -- Librarian III -- Kansas Collection

I have worked in the Kansas Collection for the past eleven years, first as assistant curator, then as curator. I received my B.A. degree from Kalamazoo College, and M.L.S. from the University of Oklahoma, where I worked at the Western History Collections. My extra-curricular activities include: Jeffrey (age 15), Andrew (age 6), and Peter (age 4). In my spare time (provided I have any), I enjoy needlework and gardening.

Margaret Wilson -- Librarian III -- Serials Cataloging

I spent a happy childhood in Lawrence and a miserable adolescence in Rapid City, South Dakota, where I acquired a lifelong aversion to cowboy boots, monogrammed leather belts, and cold weather. I went to college at Oberlin Conservatory and got my M.L.S. in 1973 from the University of Pittsburgh. I have worked in libraries at the following institutions (listed in "likeability", not chronological order): U.S. Bureau of Mines, University of Cincinnati, Mellon Institute, and SUNY at Buffalo. At present I am head of the Serials Cataloging Unit of the Catalog Department. Outside the library, most of my spare time is spent throwing money away on a swaybacked old nag who costs me as much every month as I paid for him in the first place. We attempt dressage. I also enjoy watching Fred Astaire movies.

Michael Wilson -- Office Assistant III -- Book Flow Coordinator -- Cataloging Department

After nearly a decade at KU I earned my degree in English at the end of last summer. During my time here in Lawrence I have worked as a student in the library and then as an OA III in Student Financial Aid. Now I have returned to the library system and am enjoying the quiet and peace. In my spare time I enjoy writing, reading, and being outdoors.
Meg (Margaret) Winchell -- Librarian II -- Slavic Cataloger -- Slavic Department

I received a B.A. from the University of Minnesota, with a double major in Russian and English; a M.A. in Slavic languages and literatures from Indiana University; and a M.L.S., also from Indiana University. I came to K.U. after working for 3 years as a Slavic cataloger at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. My main interests, apart from librarianship, are reading and translating Russian literature, traveling, and raising my 3-year-old daughter to be a decent, bilingual human being.

Patricia F. Wittry -- Library Assistant I -- Spain, Portugal and Latin America (SPLAT)

For most of the past decade, I have been involved in one way or another in the work of making Latin American, Spanish, and Portuguese materials available to the community through KU Libraries. I have worked as a student assistant, research aide for the Central American Cataloging Project, and a library assistant. My other profession is teaching, having taught Spanish and Science for three years in Kansas schools. A member of KLA, KFLA, and KNEA, I am a strong advocate for professional and personal development. I hope to someday combine my two professions, and to become more involved in community organizations. I credit my upbringing in the Catholic faith with my conscientious objection, and I choose to act on that objection in some small way by declining to pay federal taxes on my phone bill. I am a farmer's daughter and a gardener. I love to go to the movies and to read good books. My greatest blessings in life are my husband, my family, and my friends who are like family.