

Who's Where

Recent movements in the library and information sector

State Library of Victoria

Frances Awcock, State Library of Victoria chief executive officer and state librarian, will retire from public office at the end of November 2002. The president of the Library Board of Victoria, Sam Lipski, said that the board had accepted Mrs Awcock's decision with regret. Mr Lipski said that Fran had combined her long experience as a librarian with her skills as a communicator and manager to articulate a vision for the State Library as a cultural institution reinventing itself amidst the transformations of information technology.

Fran said that after the last thirteen years as a chief executive officer, and more than thirty years of public service, it was time to pursue her own interests and to give more time to family and friends. She will spend her final months continuing to build the library's corporate and public support, enhancing its services and preparing for the opening of its new and restored spaces in 2003.

Austrade

The federal government's trade promotion arm, Austrade, has a new managing director. **Peter O'Byrne** took up the helm of the Australian Trade Commission in May, after four years as the head of Australian Hearing.

Mr O'Byrne has previously worked in the consumer goods, health-care, pharmaceutical and building materials industries, and has a wealth of international business experience gained during appointments in Jakarta, Singapore, Sydney and London.

He has also had extensive involvement in incorporated industry associations, including as a director of the World Federation of Proprietary Medicine Manufacturers, and a director of the Grocery Manufacturers of Australia Ltd. He has participated in several joint ventures and an Australian Co-operative Research Centre.

Emerald

Leading international management information publisher Emerald (formerly MCB University Press) has announced the appointment of a new editor and editorial board members for the *Journal of Documentation* (JDoc) — for journal homepage see <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/jd.htm>.

The new editor is **Dr David Bawden**, a senior lecturer in the Department of Information Science at City University, London. Dr Bawden originally qualified in organic chemistry and has MSc and PhD degrees in information science.

Dr Bawden was previously editor

of *IT Link* (ASLIB) and *Perspectives in Information Management* (Bowker Saur), and of two monograph series. He is currently on the editorial boards of *International Journal of Information Management* and of *ATLA (Alternatives to Laboratory Animals)*, and has previously served on the boards of *Journal of Chemical Information and Computer Sciences* and *Expert Systems in Information Work*.

Commenting upon the appointment, Emerald editorial director, John Peters said, 'David has an impressive track record both in his academic life and as an editor and we are delighted that he has decided to take up the position as editor of JDoc. We are already working with him on a number of important enhancements to the journal and we are impressed by his expertise.'

For his part Dr Bawden added, 'I am looking forward to working with my colleagues to establish *Journal of Documentation's* position as the leading international journal dealing with the principles, concepts, and frameworks which underlie the study and practice of the library/information sciences.'

The *Journal of Documentation* is the leading LIS journal in the UK and has regularly achieved the highest citation rating for comparable titles. Dr Bawden will be working in partnership with Emerald and the editorial board to maintain and enhance the journal's standing.

The editorial board is international and includes representation from many of the leading research departments in the United Kingdom together with very well respected researchers and information professionals from around the globe.

Endeavor Information Systems, London

Julie Wright joins Endeavor in the role of customer support manager for Europe. Wright holds responsibility for overall customer relationship management, while all actual support issues and calls will continue to be handled by Endeavor's Des Plaines (USA) Customer Support department. Her primary responsibility is guiding the implementation process for new European customers. Wright comes to Endeavor from epixtech Australia where she was the manager of the customer management team. In charge of data migration and a number of implementations around the Pacific Rim, she managed customer support teams that achieved high marks for satisfaction and service. ■

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