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RETIREMENTS

Abraham Yu retires from UC Irvine

Abraham Yu retired from the University of California, Irvine Libraries on November 12, 2010, after twenty years of service. Since his arrival in 1991 as the first head of East Asian cataloging, Abraham was committed to building a user-centered cataloging operation for the Libraries' East Asian language resources. What began as a one-man operation grew into a CJK cataloging unit able to provide quality cataloging for Chinese, Japanese and Korean resources.

Abraham made numerous contributions to the East Asian cataloging community through his involvement in the OCLC CJK Users Group and the Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL). He was President of CEAL 2003-2006 and before that Chair of the Technical Processing Committee. He established himself as an expert in authority control for CJK headings; in large part because of his work in this area, the addition of vernacular characters on authority records in the OCLC authority files has become a reality.

Abraham is looking forward to spending time with his family and helping out with his grandchildren.

(From an Eastlib posting by Ying Zhang)

Judy Lu retires from Library of Congress

Judy Lu, Head of Collection Services of the Asian Division of the Library of Congress, retired from the Library on December 31, 2010. Judy joined the Asian Division as China Area Specialist in 1996 after graduating from the Library's Leadership Development Program where she served in the Congressional Relations Office. She assumed her position as the Head of Collection Services, Asian Division in October 2004.

Prior to joining the Library of Congress, Judy served as a law librarian in both the public and private sectors for more than fifteen years. She was the Chief Law Librarian at the U.S. Department of Labor, and librarian of the major US law firm Seyfarth, Shaw, Fariweather & Geraldson. Judy holds a BA from Chinese University of Hong Kong in Chinese and Comparative Literature, MA from the University of Hong Kong, MLS from the University of Southern California, and attended the George Washington University, School of Law, while working for the U.S. National labor Relations Board in 1973-1975.