

CELEBRATION OF SERVICE

5 years

MATT GAUNT:

Matt gets things done, and brings in gifts to make things happen. The energy and hard work he contributes, along with his entrepreneurial spirit, keep everyone on their toes. Who else would have gotten the Libraries a golf cart?

–Ann Riley

NAVADEEP KHANAL:

As E-Learning Librarian, Navadeep has substantially expanded the Libraries' capacity to support online and distance learning. He has not only advanced our capacity to create online content, but by forging strong collaborative relationships with key stakeholders in online learning across campus, he has made incredible strides in the integration of our services in various learning management tools used by faculty and students. In addition, Navadeep's forward-thinking vision has led to increased library support for student production of digital media projects, including access to necessary tools and workspaces. Navadeep's deep commitment to high-quality work is evident through the generous expertise and support he provides after actively listening to others to learn what is needed. I'm excited to discover what ideas and innovations Navadeep brings to the Libraries in the next five years.

–Jeannette Pierce

EDWARD MCCAIN:

Five years ago Edward came back to the University of Missouri with a vision for saving born-digital news by connecting librarianship and journalism. By organizing the Dodging the Memory Hole conferences, surveying the current state of digital news archiving, and presenting on the risk of losing the "first draft of history" when digital publications cease to exist, Edward has cemented his reputation as a leading national advocate for the preservation of born-digital news. When not facilitating discourse among journalists, news publishers, librarians, and archivists, Edward has been busy collaborating with the Missourian to ensure local news, including photojournalism, will be accessible to future generations. His passion for this project doesn't arise solely out of his library work. One thing you may not know about Edward is that he is also a professional photographer.

–Jeannette Pierce

KIMBERLY MOELLER:

One of the first qualities I recognized in Kimberly after I arrived at MU was her uncanny ability to strike up a conversation with an absolute stranger (a habit I've never quite developed). Maybe that's a learned practice, but it strikes me as something more genuine, a part of what makes her who she is. To me, it's a sign of just how much she values building connections, starting dialogues, and sharing ideas with students, faculty, staff, and librarians – she's curious and wants to know more. From her efforts to identify key points of instruction in the Social Work curriculum, to her support of the annual One Read Program, to her coordination of the upcoming Missouri Library Association Annual Conference, and beyond, Kimberly continues to prove herself to be a leader on our campus and in our profession. All of us in the RAIS Division congratulate her on the past five years of service and look forward to working with her in the next five.

–Joe Askins

JEANNETTE PIERCE:

Jeannette has transformed a big part of the Libraries and effectively created the Research and Information Services division (RAIS) we know today. Her cheerfulness and hard work add tremendously to the Libraries' success, and I know she will continue to lead with forward-looking spirit and support for our mission.

–Ann Riley