

CAXTON CLUB OFFICERS



Sarah M. Pritchard: President

A Caxtonian since 2007, Sarah Pritchard is recently retired after 16 years as the Dean of Libraries and Charles Deering McCormick University Librarian at Northwestern University. In that role she led print and digital services for all the libraries on the Evanston campus, coordinated services with NU's libraries in Chicago and Qatar, and oversaw the award-winning Northwestern University Press. Previously she was the University Librarian at the University of California, Santa Barbara; Director of Libraries at Smith College; associate executive director at the Association of Research Libraries; and reference librarian and specialist in women's studies at the Library of Congress.

She has been involved with scholars, collectors and curators in special collections and archives in each of these institutions, and in her director positions she explicitly sought to extend the scope, content, funding and visibility of such collections. She has overseen grant funded projects for special collections supported by the NEH, IMLS, Mellon Foundation, Library of Congress and others. From 2009 to 2012 she served on the Special Collections Working Group of the Association of Research Libraries. She actively engaged with the fine press and book arts communities, especially in Western Massachusetts and Southern California.

She has held numerous offices in library professional associations and regional consortia, including 13 years on the governing Council of the American Library Association. She serves regularly on editorial boards and grant review panels and has been a speaker and consultant across the U.S. and internationally on library-related topics. She has published over 70 articles and reviews, and from 2009-2014 was the editor of *portal: Libraries and the Academy* (Johns Hopkins University Press). She was a founding director of the Chicago Collections Consortium and served on its Board for over 10 years, including three as the Chair.

Pritchard received her B.A. degree from the University of Maryland, and master's degrees in French and in Library Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Cosmos Club.

Lou Pitschmann: Vice-President



Education:

- Ph.D. Germanic Languages and Literatures, University of Chicago, 1975
- M.A. Library Science, University of Chicago (primarily under the guidance of former Caxtonians Robert Rosenthal, Howard Winger, and Peggy Sullivan), 1977.

Career:

- Librarian of the Fiske Icelandic Collection and Bibliographer for Northern European Studies. Cornell University Libraries, 1977 – 1986.
- Associate Director of Libraries, Collection Development and Preservation. The University of Wisconsin – Madison, 1986 – 2001.
- Dean of Libraries. The University of Alabama, 2001 – 2015.

Board Memberships:

- University of Wisconsin Press Board, 1988 – 2001.
- University of Alabama Press Board, 2001 – 2015.
- Network of Alabama Academic Libraries Board, 2001 – 2015.
- Alabama Center for the Book, Director, 2011 – 2015.
- Association of Southeastern Research Libraries. President, Board of Directors, 2007 – 2008.

Memberships:

- Bibliographical Society of America
- Caxton Club
- Chicago Map Society
- Miniature Book Society



Jeffrey Jahns: Treasurer

My earliest and most lasting introduction to the world of books was as a child being walked a mile to the local CPL branch Saturday mornings for Story Hour, and then later picking a couple books to read at home in the intervening week. As I remember, heavy borrowing for biography, Hardy Boys and science. In high school, at Marmion Academy, I worked in the library behind the circulation desk. In college, I worked in the Villanova University Library bindery.

As a lawyer (partner, Seyfarth Shaw LLP), yes, lawyers not only write but also read, my direct intersections with the book trade were few, representing the owner of the copyright to "Desiderata" in infringement cases and Follett Corporation (operator of Follett College Bookstores and other ventures), and the Follett family in their myriad office, store and warehouse real estate matters.

I joined the Caxton Club, naturally, in the 80's, and today Jill and I have an eclectic collection of books, with my main interests being in architecture and Native American affairs.



Leslie J. Winter: Secretary

Leslie is working as an Associate Specialist in Books and Manuscripts at Hindman Auctions in Chicago. Prior to that position she was the Special Collections Public Service Coordinator and Instructional Assistant Professor at Cushing Memorial Library and Archives at Texas A&M University. She is a member of the American Library Association, The Association of College and Research Libraries, and its Rare Books and Manuscripts Section.

Leslie earned her B.A. in Art History and Studio Art from Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio, her M. A in the History of Art from the University of Massachusetts – Amherst; and her Master of Library Science, with a specialty in Rare Book and Manuscripts Librarianship, from Indiana University – Bloomington.

Leslie’s collecting interests include Travel books to Italy, incunabula, art history, studio art, anatomy, artists' books, contemporary signed literature, and historical fiction.