## Introducing our editorial board



**CINDY HEPFER** 

Cindy Hepfer is Head of Collection Management Services (technical services and collection development) at the Health Sciences Library (HSL) at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo. Previously she worked as a serials librarian at Baylor University and SUNY College at Brockport, as a reference librarian at SUNY College at Buffalo, and as a union list librarian at the Western New York Library Resources Council.

A former chair of ALA's Serials Section and a NASIG (North American Serials Interest Group) past president, Cindy remains active in both organizations and favors continuing education and program planning activities. She edited *Serials Review* for 16 years and the SISAC Newsletter for five. She also co-edited two volumes of *Advances in Serials Management* and has published articles and reports in *Serials Review, Serials Librarian, Against the Grain, SISAC News, Library Software Review,* and *Serials.* Cindy received ALA's Bowker-Ulrich's Award for Excellence in Serials Librarianship in 1997.

At HSL, in addition to overseeing journal collection development, electronic resources, and technical services, she does serials cataloging and is a member of CONSER Enhance. After 16 years of editing evenings and weekends, she is delighted to finally be making time to enjoy her six cats and three dogs, her husband, and her son (a percussion performance major at the University at Buffalo).



**GEOFF GILBERT** 

Geoff Gilbert has been a member of the *Serials* editorial board since 1992, when he responded to an appeal from the editor, John Merriman, who was about to launch a campaign to revitalise UKSG's house journal. Geoff was responsible for the creation of the Acronyms and Abbreviations section, which has since migrated to the UKSG website.

Geoff's 'day job' has been as an acquisitions, serials and collection development manager in a range of academic institutions, starting at West Midlands College of Higher Education in 1976, then working at what is now Oxford Brookes, followed by a long stint at Aston University and ending up, presently, at the University of Birmingham.

He has been mainly concerned with the purchasing of library materials and the management of acquisitions and serials departments, although there has been an ongoing element of academic liaison work. This has allowed the opportunity to work with colleagues outside the library community – especially library suppliers and serials agents but increasingly with publishers. This is reflected in Geoff's involvement with the National Acquisitions Group where he is currently on the Executive Committee, and of which he was a founder member in 1985. Geoff also works on the CURL Taskforce for Scholarly Communications, whose remit involves working with publishers to investigate ways of overcoming difficulties in the dissemination of and access to research within the academic community.

His own personal interests are mainly involved with sport – still actively engaged in cricket and squash and about to be subsumed by golf; natural history; and reading modern fiction and about the political and social history of the 17th century.