Name: Brad Doerksen

Title: Student Success Librarian, University of Regina

Born and lived: Birth through high school was in southeastern Manitoba, I have lived in BC, AB, and SK as well (in that order), each move was to pursue an educational opportunity.

Early Life: Professional career and activities: My first library job was as public services librarian at Briercrest College, where I soon became library director. After a season doubling as a copyright officer I received an appointment as student success librarian at the University of Regina. During my library career, I have served on both the multitype and SLA boards. I also have had the privilege to serve as an instructor in history at Briercrest College.

Family: My wife Kim, her dad, and three dogs share a home with me; but for us family also includes three more parents, two sisters, two nephews, and a niece.

In my spare time: Cycling, canoeing, puzzles, (is reading too cliché?).

Favorite books: Anything by Tolkien and too many non-fiction history titles to list.I'm currently reading: *Science and Religion: a Historical Introduction*, Gary Ferngren ed.; *Sermons on the Beatitudes*, Gregory of Nyssa; *Snapshots of Reality: a Practical Guide to Formative Assessment in Library Instruction*, Mary Broussard et. al.

Pet peeves: My own odd quirks and bad habits

Most memorable career achievement: Launching and then seeing a self-perpetuating group of students take over a friends of the library group that publishes a literary review and hosts a coffee-house style reading night in the library each semester at Briercrest College. Both initiatives feature the work of students and other members of the local community.

Long-term career goals: Anything where I can contribute to students and other library users gaining the skills and understanding they need to succeed in study and life.

How/where do I see the library industry in five years: Worrying about the future and introspectively reflecting on change/challenge while trying to predict the next five years. ☺

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