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Christopher Barnickel Selected as New San Luis Obispo County Library Director

November 7, 2013 – The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors has announced the hiring of Christopher Barnickel as the new County Library Director. Mr. Barnickel has served as Assistant San Luis Obispo County Library Director since February 2013.

Mr. Barnickel offers nearly 20 years of Library experience. Prior to his employment with San Luis Obispo County, Mr. Barnickel served as Assistant Director for the Kansas City, Kansas Public Library.

“I am extremely pleased with the Board’s selection,” said Bruce Gibson, Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors. “I have every confidence that Christopher Barnickel will continue to bring strong leadership to the San Luis Obispo County Library.”

Mr. Barnickel holds a Masters of Library Science Degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a Bachelor’s Degree in Liberal Arts from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

“I feel privileged to have the opportunity to serve the community of San Luis Obispo County as Director of Libraries,” said Barnickel. “I look forward to working with the community, staff, and stakeholders to develop our Library’s strengths while pursuing new avenues of engagement for the community at large. Public libraries enrich communities they serve by providing life-long learning, entertainment, and a welcoming environment in which to gather.”

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