PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is an old saying among Librarians that a library would be a great place to work "if it weren't for the patron." Without patrons librarians could read a good book without interruptions, could spend time visiting with staff, wouldn't have to learn about and use new technology, wouldn't have to do so many routine tasks or struggle with difficult patrons, and wouldn't have to deal with the patron if they didn't feel like it. Of course without patrons we would not have jobs.

I feel that often we get so bogged down in our particular jobs and tasks that we forget that our first obligation is to the patron. Most libraries are understaffed and most librarians are underpaid, yet the majority give excellent service. However, all of us at times need to periodically evaluate our public service attitudes and along with that our interpersonal relationships not only with the public but with our staff.

The OU School of Library Science recently surveyed alumni on their training needs. The respondents were asked to indicate after each question whether additional training was, (1) essential, (2) very useful, (3) somewhat useful or (4) not very useful. "Effective interpersonal relationships" was one of four items considered to be essential to all who responded.

At a conference I attended last fall in Pittsburgh on The Challenge of Change the session on "Human Factors and Human Consequences" spoke to the need of understanding the relationship between human beings and technology. One of the panelists said that the single most important fear about technology is that interpersonal relationships will suffer.

As we start a new year in OLA I hope we will examine our public service attitudes and our interpersonal relationships with each other and our publics. At the (June 18) Leadership Workshop for OLA officers and committee chairs we will be looking at ways to implement the above through workshops and the next OLA Conference. In addition we will be looking at other goals and objectives for the coming year. We have excellent resources in our membership and can accomplish whatever we set our minds to do. We hope to be thinking 'big' and 'active' and that we will respond to your needs.

All of you who filled out the "Committee Sign-up Sheets" at OLA have been assigned to a committee with the exception of those who requested only the Sequoyah Committee. Thirty-four people have requested to serve on that committee and only three appointments can be made a year. This is done in the spring.

I have names of others who didn't request a committee but would be delighted to be involved if asked, plus requests are coming in on the Membership forms for 1982/83. With that kind of potential there is no reason for OLA to stand still in the year ahead.

To be a part of what I think will be a dynamic year for OLA, you must pay your dues which were due July 1, 1982. Remember, the OLA calendar and membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. Any ideas that you have are welcome! I can be reached at the Pioneer Multi County Library, 225 N. Webster, Norman, OK 73069 or (405) 321-1481. Also, every member is invited to attend the Executive Board meetings which are held on either the 3rd or 4th Friday of the month at 1:30 PM. The 1st meeting of the Board is July 23 at OCU. A complete schedule for the year will be printed in the next issue.

"If it weren't for the patron" may seem trite, but nevertheless I see the theme and its ramifications as our challenge for the year ahead. I welcome that challenge and hope you do also.

Mary Sherman, President

The Leadership Conference of OLA, planned for June 18, marks the end of a successful year and the start of another productive one. The conference is designed to familiarize new officers and chairpersons with their duties and procedures of the association, an opportunity to meet with previous officers and chairpersons, and an important source for exchanging ideas. By all accounts, this year's annual conference was a success. Next year's program planners will be considering responses made by members of the Evaluation Sheet: Members wish to have many events of the conference repeated; members continue to want the Sequoyah Award presented at the Annual Conference (the Sequoyah award is considered by many a major event of the conference); and, the JART Placement Service will be a feature again next year but probably located within the conference site. President Mary Sherman reports that 696 people registered for the conference which is considered the largest attendance to date. There were fifty-two exhibitors.
OKLAHOMA LEGISLATORS GIVE
LIBRARIES PRIORITY FUNDING

Oklahoma legislators have put library funding high on their list of federal programs which should receive state appropriations to make up for federal cuts.

ODL Director Robert L. Clark Jr., said that the Subcommittee on Federal Funds of the Oklahoma House Appropriations and Budget Committee surveyed House members, asking them to rank the federal programs which should receive funding if available. (Oklahoma is expected to have somewhere in the neighborhood of a $300 million surplus this year.) Members' decisions were based on economic data, the number of people served by the programs and other demographic information.

Out of 134 programs ranked, legislators ranked Oklahoma libraries LSCA Title I program fourth in priority for funding, and LSCA Title III 15th. Only the school lunch program, immunizations to school age children and testing for venereal disease control ranked higher than the Title I program for the establishment of public library services. The Title I program ranked ahead of such programs as free milk to eligible children, school breakfasts and dental education and care for children.

Oklahoma could lose over $1 million in federal funding for its library programs. The subcommittee has recommended a make-up request for ODL for at least 85% of this amount, and possibly full funding for Title I and Title III library programs if enough funds are available.

Title I is for the establishment or improvement of public library services, including state institutions and services to the blind and handicapped. If the subcommittee's recommendations are approved by the legislature in July, $864,302 would be allocated for Title I programs under full funding; $735,507 if 85% funding is approved.
The Title III program approved for make-up funding is the interlibrary loan program, which promotes sharing of resources among different libraries throughout the state. The amount requested was $166,523; 85% of this would be $141,545.

Clark said he is extremely pleased that members of the Oklahoma Legislature placed library programs so high on their list for priority funding. "It is clear these legislators no longer view the state's public libraries as a luxury, but as one of the most basic necessities for our traditional American way of life, which stresses knowledge, learning, freedom of information and an ever-improving quality of life," Clark commented.

He stressed that in times of economic uncertainty, the library has much to offer patrons in the way of job and career information and materials, free reference, how-to books, GED, literacy training and other educational programs, plus inexpensive leisure time activities such as reading, free movies, information on hobbies and all sorts of programs for the whole family. Clark urged local librarians to make their communities aware of these services and to thank their representatives for their efforts in placing library service as a priority.

WHO'S WHO IN OLA LEADERSHIP, 1982-83

(See: Oklahoma Librarian, 32:3, for Executive Board)

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Governor George Nigh and Dean Doerr of The Oklahoma Department of Libraries examine a new library accessibility sign.

LIBRARIES IMPROVE SERVICES TO HANDICAPPED

Public library services for all Oklahoma citizens has been a priority for Governor George Nigh. The most recent example of his support is $175,000 to remodel libraries to make them accessible to the handicapped. The program required a 25% local match of funds and resulted in wheelchair ramps, widened doors, elevators, and other aids in Ada, Anadarko, Ardmore, Chickasha, Claremore, Grandfield, McAlester, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Waurika, the Western Plains Library System and Yukon. Oklahoma became one of the first states in the nation to allocate state funds for this purpose, with the first project starting in March, 1981, coincidently, The International Year of Disabled Persons. Nigh has also recommended that the legislature allocate additional funds to this worthwhile project so that barriers can be removed from the remaining public libraries in this state.

In another first, libraries meeting federal accessibility standards, will receive reflective aluminum signs in brown and white bearing the familiar wheelchair logo. Signs will alert all users to the location of their library and especially invite the disabled. The Oklahoma Department of Libraries is responsible for allocating funds and supervising renovation plans.
STATE LEGISLATURE APPROPRIATED $1 MILLION INCREASE FOR ODL

The Oklahoma State Legislature has passed an appropriation bill for fiscal year 1983 which will increase the overall budget of The Oklahoma Department of Libraries by $1 million. The total amount appropriated is $4,291,324.00 as compared to $3,255,645.00 for FY 82. The appropriation includes FTEs for two full-time positions, which will raise the total number of employees at ODL to 86.

The Legislature actually appropriated more than requested in one area-$43,000-so the department can hire an additional archivist and purchase industrial editing equipment to edit all tapes done by OETA, the local PBS affiliate, of legislative sessions and committee meetings, so that these tapes can be preserved for archival purposes.

Also included in this budget is the establishment of a fully-equipped preservation and conservation laboratory, which will have facilities for fumigation, de-acidification and bindery repair.

State aid funding also received a big boost from the Legislature. The amount appropriated for FY 83 is $1,761,000, a 33% increase over last year's $1,161,000. This represents a per capita figure of 58c, up from 38c in FY 82.

The total budget figure includes $175,000 for making Oklahoma's public libraries more accessible to the handicapped, part of a multi-year program.

O.U.'s NEW LIBRARY DEDICATED

With the opening of the Doris W. Neustadt Wing of Bizzell Memorial Library the University of Oklahoma completed the first of several important additions to campus facilities undertaken by President Banowsky. Dedicated May 7, 1982, the opening is regarded as a significant step toward the university's quest for academic excellence. "Without an excellent library," said President Banowsky, "no university can fulfill its responsibilities either to instruction or research. No priority can be higher, no progress more consequential than the achievement of excellence in our university libraries." The new wing of the library is named for Doris Westheimer Neustadt, who along with her husband and sister, Mrs. Alexander Weits, gave to the University in 1940 the land which became the nucleus of the Max Westheimer Airport and North Campus in Norman. More recently, Mrs. Neustadt was responsible for the endowment of the Neustadt International Prize for Literature.

Designed by Hallmuth, Obata and Kassabaum of St. Louis, this striking structure is a focal point of the campus. It contains seven floors occupying 150,000 square feet and affords 1,000 new study spaces. The interior is open and airy with few interior walls offering great flexibility for future change. Most of the Libraries' basic services are located in the new wing: circulation, reserve, photocopying, periodicals (current), microforms, interlibrary loan and the card catalog. The wing also includes two special collections: The Bass Business History Collection and the History of Science Collection. Guest speaker for the dedication was Lawrence William Toumer, president and librarian of the Newberry Library in Chicago, who spoke on "The Celebration of the Celebration." After the dedication guests were invited to tour the area.
THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES
REPORT TO THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
by
Robert Clark, Director

In fiscal year 1981, the total expenditure of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries was $3,656,444. The money was put to excellent use supporting State agencies and public library services around the State.

The data processing and computer service area was strengthened, coordinated and plans were developed to integrate their present capabilities with future needs. Books are ordered, cataloged and interlibrary loans made electronically. Reference searches are performed on an on-line system. The status of Oklahoma bills passing through the Legislature, Oklahoma Statutes and Attorney General’s Opinions, as well as U.S. Codes and Statutes are also accessible via computers.

Some of the funds went to provide the children’s summer reading program, give film service and provide continuing education experiences. Books, periodicals and documents were another major expense. They bolster service to state agencies and back-up the collection for interlibrary loans. About 225 request are handled each day by OTIS.

An addition to the Records Center was also completed, adding 9,000 square feet of space and providing a building capable of storing over 11,000 cubic feet of records. This is the division of ODL which provides for storage, microfilming and retrieval of the records of state agencies.

The 1980 awareness campaign, “LIBRARIES...because they’re worth it!” and “Oklahoma image”, a cooperative effort between ODL and the Oklahoma Library Association, both won John Cotton Dana awards for public relations from the American Library Association in 1981. “OKLAHOMA LIBRARIES...for all times” is the current publicity program and based on the 75th Diamond Jubilee theme. Posters, bookmarks and suggestions for programming are being furnished to public libraries as part of this project.

The Department has recently completed a new Five-Year Plan, and is working with OLA and King Research to evaluate public library services with the hope that some performance standards can be developed. And to cap our busy year, money also went to state aid and special grants for computers, reference books and to finance such projects as library renovations for handicapped accessibility. And we expect a better 1982!

“Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children...This is not a way of life at all in any true sense. Under the cloud of war, it is humanity hanging on a cross of iron.”

Dwight D. Eisenhower in a speech before the American Society of Newspaper Editors, April 16, 1953.

CONFERENCE HONOREES

Annually the Oklahoma Library Association recognizes meritorious achievement in the field of library service by presenting awards, honors and citations at the Annual Conference. This year the association presented a Citizens Recognition Award, a Distinguished Service Award, and two Certificates of Appreciation. The Citizens Recognition Award is presented to an individual who has demonstrated a special interest in library service and has given important service to the advancement of libraries. Governor George Nigh received the award this the 75th anniversary of the state and Oklahoma’s Libraries. Governor Nigh was recognized for his support and increase of state aid to libraries. He has placed the accessibility of libraries to the handicapped as a priority. Oklahoma became one of the first states to allocate state funds for this purpose. The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Pat Woolworth, Executive Director of the Tulsa City-County Library System. The award is presented in recognition of inspired leadership, elevated service and contribution to the profession and Oklahoma libraries. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Anne Hoyt, of Oklahoma State University, in recognition of her work with the Library Development Committee and to Anne Hodges Morgan, of the Kerr Foundation, in recognition of her work with the Oklahoma Image Project.

LIBRARY POSTAL RATE INCREASED by 33%. The first pound under the new library rate is now 32 cents, compared with 24 cents before. Additional pounds through seven pounds rise from 9 cents to 11 cents.
Notes of the Footsore Conference-Goer

Librarians, I have found, go to library conferences for five reasons:
1. They love to try new hotels and new restaurants in another town besides their own.
2. They like to hobnob with people who work in the same fields that they do.
3. They want to find another job.
4. They want to see new things at the exhibits.
5. They are attracted to the speakers, the authors, and the titles of the programs.

So 1982 OLA is pleasant to recall because it satisfied all those hungers and built on the lessons learned by past conference planners on what the garden variety librarian wants from a conference.

So this year's was in Tulsa, that neat sprawl of a city with its fine restaurants and wide, tree-lined boulevards. And then there was the Excelsior Hotel, of that class where the towels are as thick as the carpets and the white sand is monogrammed in the ash trays.

The opening day of the conference had that old, familiar convention feel to it. The first glimpse was the Registration Area, a sea of capable and informed people staffing the tables; and the packets of brochures, programs, maps, ads, invitations, stocking stuffers (like the recipes for making stew with Dr. Pepper) and the plastic-coated nametag — as familiar a convention sight as, well, one's own name.

The name tag was the open door to the exhibit area, the library Disneyland, colorful and lively as a carnival, bright lights and endless rows of bookstalls, nowadays punctuated by media, AV and computer booths.

Most conference goers filtered into the first general session to hear OLA President John Walker officially open the convention, and to hear Bill North of the Freedom to Read Foundation discuss the philosophy of selection and censorship, a refreshing change from the usual talk on what books were banned where. And, after that, we all looked, a little nervously I thought, into our own Oklahoma hearts to see if our intentions were pure. For some of us, the introspection proved too intense and we sniffed out the leftovers of the continental breakfast or headed for an early lunch, often finding Reason #2 (hobnobbing with old friends and new faces) easy to do because we both reached for the same sweet roll at the same time.

The afternoon provided as varied a selection of programs as Dewey has decimals. There were librarians speaking, often for the first time, of their successes in raising money, finding volunteers, building new buildings, doing programs, designing displays. Other librarians stuck their noses into conference room doors for programs on management, copyright, and printing techniques. New members of OLA sipped champagne at the JMRT reception; others found their way to cocktail parties in the suites upstairs.

To put the finishing touches on Thursday was the evening banquet with Will Rogers, Jr., whose indisputable tie to Oklahoma's favorite son put the stamp of excellence on the entire program.

For Friday, there were two clear choices for programs to attend, and one went depending upon whether one adhered to traditional or modern viewpoints about librarianship. One could choose between The Electronic Library or Oklahoma Authors. Visitors to the first found a new vocabulary and new acronyms; visitors to the second heard three writers insist that, in order to write, one must have sound business sense, discipline, and that compelling urge, that driving need to write, long before the public ever sees the book.

Donna Harsh concentrated on Mainland China and post-war Germany in the World Tour of Children's Literature, letting us glimpse the foreign and yet, the familiar. And Chuck McClure's Government Documents in Microform brought us back to everyday practicalities.

The job-hungry found the OLA Placement Center and conducted lively exchanges with the employers and employees.

Library conferences are studded with freebies, bargains, prizes, honors, and awards. Such as the plaque given to James Howe, for writing the book *Bunnicula*, while the real award is for the children who now get to read it. Or the tribute paid to OLA at its 75th annual conference, and to its past presidents. Or to Judith Viorst, engaging all her fans but one at the afternoon chat and the evening banquet. (I would have been there, too, but I was at the ODL booth, bird-sitting a parakeet so its owner could visit the exhibits, unencumbered by the cage.)

Charlane Ezell
Notes from her journal,
first OLA conference, April, 1982.

EXHIBITOR PRIZES

Two hundred twenty-three people entered the drawing for the Exhibitors' Prizes, held Friday, May 24, at 4 PM. Fred Kister of Fred Kister Books poured the entries on the floor, mixed them up, and drew seven winners. They are:

- RCA 9 inch Playmate TV — Rosemary Moran, Tulsa City-County Library
- Stereo Radio Cassette Recorder — Lynda Hagar, Connors State College
- Kodak Ektralite 10 Camera and film — Barbara Levine, Derifton, Texas
- Wearever Popcorn Pumber — Clydette Hastings, Norman Public Schools
- Battery Operated Pencil Sharpener with Batteries — Mary Sage, Sapulpa
- 6 Filmstrip/cassette set (donated by Hoover Brothers, Inc.) — Collean Hollis, Oklahoma City
- Posters (donated ODL) — Cindy Corr, Stillwater
OLA Memberships Open to All Library Employees

While those of us who are professional librarians are well aware of the importance of our OLA memberships, the benefits are also available to all library employees. Have you discussed joining OLA with the technical employees and other non-library specialists, the clerical staff, your pages, the service personnel?

Please encourage the support personnel of your library to join OLA. For membership dues, consult the dues schedule included in the membership form and in this issue of THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN. Use the schedule for individual librarians based on annual salary.

If additional forms are needed, write to THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, 400 Civic Center, Tulsa, OK 74103.

Post Office Charges

The United States Postal Service charges us 25c for every Oklahoma Librarian or OLA flyer which must be forwarded or returned to sender.

Please notify us immediately of any incorrect listing or any change of name or address (including Zip Code) so that we may avoid this additional postal expense.

Send this information to THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, 400 Civic Center, Tulsa, OK 74103.

Order Your Oklahoma Today Special Issue

There are still copies of the special Diamond Jubilee issue of Oklahoma Today, Oklahoma's colorful and beautiful state magazine.

They may be purchased directly, or by mail, through the Oklahoma Diamond Jubilee Commission.

The 116 page issue is three times the normal size of Oklahoma Today, and is a special edition commemorating the state's Diamond Jubilee.

A special funding through the Oklahoma Diamond Jubilee made possible the expanded issue of the magazine.

It is filled with beautiful color pictures and has a wide range of stories.

The special issue costs $6.95, post-paid, for the first copy, and $5.95 for additional copies ordered at the same time to be sent to the same address.

Send your checks, payable to the Commission, to Post Office Box 52075, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.
ADVANCED STUDY IN LIBRARIANSHIP AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

A new 6th year certificate program offered by the School of Library science of the University of Oklahoma to begin Fall 1982.

OBJECTIVES: 1) to provide an individual the opportunity to upgrade his/her knowledge in library and information science; 2) to redirect or strengthen a career path (a specialty within librarianship, e.g. medical or law librarianship), of a library function, e.g. administration; 3) to develop an awareness of the importance of research in library information science, and its application in the field.

ADMISSION: To be admitted, a student must: 1) have a master's degree in Library Science from an institution accredited by the American Library Association; 2) a minimum of three years experience as a professional librarian, after receipt of a master's degree.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS: This post master's program consists of a total of thirty hours of course work beyond that taken as part of a master's program.

CURRICULUM: The work for the sixth year program will include courses designed solely for post masters, offered at the master's level, as well as courses offered in other departments of the University. The curriculum will be individually planned by a faculty advisor in cooperation with the student. No credit will be granted for any course applied toward the master's degree. Completion of the curriculum will result in the receipt of a 6th year certificate.

PROGRAM POSSIBILITIES: The spectrum of programs that can be developed is broad. Some suggestions include the following: The School now offers a three course sequence in biomedical information resources. A four course sequence is offered in legal information resources. Cooperative programs with the School of Education and School of Business are also possible. Moreover, the School's curriculum provides significant choice in courses in the areas of administration, technical services and information science.

For additional information and applications to the 6th year certificate program, individuals may contact the School of Library Science at the above address.

NEW DUAL MASTERS PROGRAM

Indiana University's School of Library and Information Science has three new dual masters programs. These programs include a joint MLS-MA (Master of Public Affairs) with the School of Public and Environmental Affairs, a joint MLS-MA with the School of Journalism, and a joint MLS-MA with the History and Philosophy of Science Department. These dual programs have been developed in recognition of the growing interaction between librarians and information scientists and subject specialists in these disciplines.

Candidates for the joint degree programs must complete the required courses for each respective degree along with elective courses applicable to both areas, but the cooperative arrangement does permit some overlapping in requirements and reduction in credit hours from those of the two separate programs. The dual degrees range in length from 50 to 64 credit hours and prepare students for a variety of positions as specialized library and information science professionals in the public and private sectors.

For further information, please contact: Barbara I. Dewey, Director of Admissions, School of Library and Information Science, Library 011, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405 (812) 335-2018.

NEWSBRIEFS

A concurrent conference of the Southwestern Library Association, Arizona State Library Association and Arizona Educational Media Association is planned for November 3rd to 6th, 1982. Theme of the concurrent conference is "Unity Out of Diversity: A Southwestern Challenge." The conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Civic Plaza, Phoenix, Arizona. Contact person for exhibits is Donald E. Riggs, Arizona State University Library, Tempe, Arizona 85287. Registration information and materials is available from Karen Whitney, 8247 West Yale Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85033.

History of Science Collection Recognized

The University of Oklahoma Associates have made special allocations of funds to the university's famous History of Science Collection. The regents approved a $575,000 request to Duane H. Rollins, Curator of the History of Science Collection, to purchase materials. The Associates funds have made the difference between life and death for the growth of these collections. Rollins said. They have permitted us to continue developing a collection that is the finest research library in the history of science in the world. OU Associates funds are provided by donations from individuals and corporations.

A joint workshop will be presented by the Oklahoma Chapter of ACRL, and the College and University Division of OLA on October 1, 1982 at Oklahoma Baptist University. Theme of the workshop is "Strategies to improve faculty skills for academic librarians: playing the academic game." Intended to increase academic credibility of librarians, the workshop will address teaching of classes, publishing, and involvement in professional organizations. Chancellor Joe Leone will give the keynote address. Contact: Claudette Hagle, Reference Department, Oklahoma State University Library, Stillwater, OK 74078.

Dee Ann Ray Honored

Dee Ann Ray, Director of the Western Plains Library System, has received a number of honors and special awards throughout her professional career for her library service and public service. In 1982, she was the recipient of the Stanley Draper Distinguished Award from the Oklahoma Heritage Association for outstanding work in the preservation of state and local history. Dee Ann has again been honored with a Paul Harris Rotary Fellowship by Clinton Rotarians and Rotary Ann. Paul Harris fellows are selected by the board of directors of Rotary International on the basis of public services the Rotary Foundation finances world-wide exchange scholarships to promote better international understanding. Prior to 1982 only five Clinton Rotarians were Paul Harris fellows. The nine new recipients brings international recognition to Clinton Rotary. Dee Ann was OLA president in 1972-73.

Recruitment Important To Success of OLA

Your help is needed in actively recruiting new members for OLA. Encourage your co-workers and friends to join. Request additional forms from the OLA office. 400 Civic Center, Tulsa, OK 74103.
Festival of Books for Young People

The third annual Festival of Books for Young People will be presented by the University of Oklahoma School of Library Science on Saturday, October 2, 1982. Sessions will be held in the Oklahoma Center for Continuing Education, University of Oklahoma, Norman, beginning at 8:30 A.M. and concluding at 3:00 P.M.

The morning program will include a speech "An Author Projects His Heritage" by Robert Burch, recipient of the Jane Addams Children's Book Award, the Child Study Association of America Children's Book Award, twice winner of the Georgia Children's Book Award and author of over a dozen realistic fiction books for elementary and junior high age students. His latest works include Idas Early Comes Over the Mountain, 1980, one of the books on the Sequoyah Children's Book Award Master List for 1982-83.

An Oklahoma author will be highlighted again this year. Helen Roney Sattler, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, author of Dinosaurs of North America, an ALA Notable Children's Book for 1961, will respond to questions fielded by Bettie Estes, Media Specialist at Parkland Elementary in Yukon and three of her students. Other recently published books written by Mrs. Sattler are No Place for a Goat, 1981, and Smallest Witch, 1931.

The afternoon session will be conducted by Marcia Brown, distinguished artist, author, storyteller and photographer, twice winner of the Randolph Caldecott Medal for Cinderella and Once a Mouse, recipient of the Regina Medal and numerous other honors. Among her many works are Walk With Your Eyes, 1979, and Listen to a Shape, 1979, which through photography and text encourages readers of all ages to carefully observe nature.

Opportunity will be provided for previewing films and filmmstips as well as examining a new books display arranged by Mrs. Donna Skvarla, librarian at Pioneer Multi-County Library in Norman. Autographed copies of books by the festival authors will be available for purchase.

Librarians, teachers, parents, and those interested in literature for young people are invited to attend. The festival pre-registration fee of $22 (if received by September 24) includes all sessions and the morning coffee hour. The Forum Cafeteria at the Center will be available for noon lunch if desired. For a program brochure and registration form write or call:

The University of Oklahoma, Special Programs Office, 1700- Asp, Norman, Oklahoma 73037: Phone (405) 325-5101

RENEW OLA MEMBERSHIP — 1983 PAYMENT DUE

If you recently received a green membership form urging you to "PROGRAM YOUR OLA FUTURE", now's the time! Your OLA membership will become inactive as of June 30 if not renewed by that date. Any members who have not returned the renewal form with payment should do so immediately.

Due to rising printing and postal costs, The Oklahoma Librarian (as well as other official OLA communications) can be mailed only to current members. The new membership list will be printed in the October-November issue of The Oklahoma Librarian. Please ensure that your name will be included — send your dues payment at once to THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, 400 Civic Center, Tulsa, Ok 74103.

LOCAL LIBRARIANS EARN NATIONAL RECOGNITION IN "THE ANSWER PLACE"

How did the practice of saving our money in piggy banks get started? Which is the most dangerous rodeo event? What was the most surprising promotion idea for a movie? These are the kinds of questions local librarians across the country are answering in the new American Library Association (ALA) newspaper column, "The Answer Place."

ALA recently launched the weekly column, distributed by the Newspaper Enterprise Association to some 700 newspaper nationwide. "The Answer Place" was conceived in connection with ALA's "Call Your Library" campaign to promote library reference services. ALA is seeking librarians who would like to contribute to this national column. For each "Answer Place," an individual librarian researches a given topic. The American Library Association prepares the final copy in a question and answer format, "giving the contributing librarian final approval. Subjects explored in recent columns include genetics, taxes, myths, cowboys, and movies. Each is written in a light, yet informative, manner and credits the contributing librarian.

For more information about how to become an "Answer Place" librarian, write Peggy Barber, Public Information Office, ALA, 50 E Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

GAUGING LIBRARY EFFECTIVENESS

What do libraries give to their supporting communities and how can this OUTPUT be measured? Responding to this concern, the Goals, Guidelines, and Standards Committee of the Public Library Association produced OUTPUT MEASURES FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES, which offers consistent methods to measure the output of public library activities.

In recent years librarians have turned away from the use of national standards and toward local determination of library needs. But if local libraries are to evaluate their own service, can a national association provide meaningful guidelines? To answer this question, the Committee tested twelve output measures in five public libraries. The results are contained in OUTPUT MEASURES FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES which is designed for use in any public library.

Indian University Press publishes books

Three new Indian language books have been published by Indian University Press at Bacone College.

Two of the books, a study of the Creek verb and a legendary Cherokee history story, were printed for the Press by Western Heritage Books of Oklahoma City, and the third, a Cherokee prayer book, was printed at Bacone.

Indian University Press was established at Bacone in 1981 with the purpose of publishing linguistic materials in Indian languages. At the present time, the Press is the only one in the country which is consistently publishing texts in a variety of Indian languages. New books will be published approximately every three months, according to Dr. Charles D. Van Tuyl, director of the Press.

Research and printing costs are being funded by Title III (Strengthening Developing Institutions Program) of the Department of Education.

"The Cherokee Prayer Book," published by Cookson Institute in cooperation with Indian University Press, is a Cherokee version of the Missal sanctioned by the Rt. Rev. Gerald M. McAllester with funding from the United Thank Offering of the Episcopal Church.

The two hardcover books are "The Creek Verb" by Henry O. Harwell and Delores T. Harwell, and "A Cherokee Vision of Elohi" by Dr. Howard L. Meredith and Virginia E. Milan, editors and Wesley Proctor, translator.

"The Creek Verb" is dedicated to the late Solomon McCombs. Creek leader who died in 1980. The project, begun at his request to see the expressive and beautiful Creek language preserved for future generations, is the first comprehensive study of the Creek verb since 1830. The content represents the speech of Creek persons now living in Eufaula, Muskogee and Bragg's, Okla., most of whom are in their 60s and 70s.

"A Cherokee Vision of Elohi" narrates the migration of the seven clans of the Cherokee Nation across a large body of water onto the North American continent. Five clans did not make the journey but remained in the original homeland.

The word "elohi" in Cherokee means heritage or history, and this expanded vision of history represents an attempt to understand the presence of the Cherokee Nation in a perspective involving the present and future as well as the past.

All three books can be ordered directly from Indian University Press. The cost of the "Cherokee Prayer Book" is $1.50, the cost of "The Creek Verb" is $8, and the cost for "The Vision of Elohi" is $10. Each book has been printed in a limited edition of 1,000 copies. All orders should include 75 cents per book for postage and handling.

"A Traditional Christmas," a special Christmas book written by Mary Lou Ziegenfuss, assistant professor of drama and speech at Bacone, is available for $5 a copy. This softbound book contains original drawings by Mrs. Ziegenfuss, and also its translation into the Cherokee language by Durbin Feeling, author of the "Cherokee Dictionary."

 Feeling, an education specialist at the Cherokee Nation, and Van Tuyl are also producing a two-volume grammar of the Cherokee language.

Funds threatened!

What happens if Federal Public Library Funds are lost in Oklahoma?

1. All support for interlibrary loan will stop. This will affect every Oklahoman.
2. There will be no book grants or grants for special services to our libraries.
3. No more film service from O.D.L.
4. The statewide union list of serials will stop.
5. Library service to blind and handicapped and institutionalized will suffer.
6. All services of O.D.L. that affect public libraries and interlibrary cooperation will be severely curtailed.

What can you do about it? (State Level)

1. Contact the State Legislative's Joint Committee on Federal Funds, Representative Cleta Deatherage and Senator Rodger Randle, co-chairpersons.
2. Ask for state funds to replace the federal loss.

What can you do about it? (Federal Level)

3. Write Rep. James Jones, Chair, House Budget Committee and voice your concern about the loss of library services and construction act funds in the proposed FY83 budget. Also Rep. Wes Watkins and Rep. Mickey Edwards should be contacted. They are members of the U.S. House of Representatives Appropriations Committee.

Prepared by the Oklahoma Library Association Library Development Committee

The Copyright Office, in a May 26 Federal Register notice (pp. 23061-23062) invites written comments by July 15, 1982 from organizations and individuals to the preparation of a report for Congress on the extent to which section 108 (reproduction by libraries and archives) of the Copyright Act of 1976 has achieved the intended balance between the rights of creators and the needs of users of copyrighted works which are reproduced by certain libraries and archives. A series of five regional hearings were held over the past two years in preparation for the five-year review required by section 108 (i). The first five-year review is due by January 1, 1983. The Copyright Office also invites written comments on the report of library photocopying prepared by King Research which is now available. Written comments should be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, Department of, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. For further information contact Dorothy Schrader (202/707-8380).

Several publications in the Creek language are also planned by Indian University Press. A concordance in the Creek language for the New Testament is nearly finished. Anyone who would like to be placed on the mailing list to be notified of new releases available should contact Dr. Charles D. Van Tuyl, Indian University Press, Bacone College, Muskogee, Okla. 74401.
ALÀ Cautions Librarians on Prepaid Orders

Another member of the Gille family faces court action for allegedly taking large prepayments from libraries for reference sets that never materialized. (See: Oklahoma Librarian, 31:5, p. 5)

A federal grand jury in Detroit has indicted Michael F. Gille on 13 counts of mail fraud and one count of interstate transportation of property obtained by fraud. Gille’s enterprise operated under a variety of names, including Publishing Center and Knowledge Resources.

His father, Frank Gille of Scholarly Press, was convicted on similar charges after taking prepayments of $1.4 million from libraries and failing to supply the books ordered. The younger Gille took in approximately a million dollars from sales of various projected encyclopedias and sets, according to the U.S. Attorney’s office in Detroit. Frank Gille recently was released after serving a prison term for mail fraud, and his son faces possible fines and imprisonment if convicted.

Sara Heitshu, chair of the American Library Association Resources and Technical Services Division Bookdealer-Library Relations Committee, says that both Frank and Michael Gille continue to solicit prepaid orders from libraries, using a variety of imprints and addresses. Though many legitimate publishers require advance payment, Heitshu says the possibility of incurring sizeable losses to unscrupulous dealers always exists.

Heitshu suggests that librarians consult the BDLR prepayment guidelines, originally published in the November 1977 issue of American Libraries, when evaluating advance payment proposals. Questions about the guidelines or about specific dealers may be directed to: FSD Bookdealer-Library Relations Committee, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

RESOURCES IN THE HUMANITIES

Recognizing the need for authoritative and accessible guides to help librarians and serious students in the use of resources in the humanities, the American Library Association has begun publishing a new series of basic reference works: Sources of Information in the Humanities. The series editor, Thomas P. Stevens, will work with outstanding humanistic scholars in producing six titles covering art, linguistics, literature, music, philosophy, and religion. *

Just published, the first volume in the series, RESEARCH GUIDE TO RELIGIOUS STUDIES, is divided into two parts. The first features a survey of the field, arranged by areas of inquiry, by John F. Wilson, professor of religious studies at Princeton University. The second part of the work lists and annotates major reference works, relating scholarship to bibliography and thereby expediting information retrieval. All the books in the series will be organized in the same manner in order to address the major questions of concern and then provide basic sources of information for those interested in pursuing particular topics. RESEARCH GUIDE TO THE HISTORY OF WESTERN ART will be published in July and the other titles in the series will appear over the course of the next two years.