An Overview of the Conference for an Information Delivery Infrastructure for the People of Oklahoma
by Pat Woodrum, Executive Director
Tulsa City-County Library

Librarians, legislators, business leaders, educators and governmental employees from around the state gathered in Oklahoma City for what may have been one of the most important library conferences of the decade.

The conference, sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, the Public Library Directors Council, and the Technical Advisory Committee, gave attendees the opportunity to learn more about plans for a national information delivery infrastructure and how implementation of the Oklahoma Library Technology Plan will allow Oklahomans to share resources within the state and provide a gateway to the national information structure.

Dr. Robert Kahn, telecommunications pioneer, described his plans for a national digital information superhighway — a system that will have the ability to acquire and process large quantities of information quickly and deliver it to businesses, research institutions, professional and governmental organizations, as well as other segments of society. In talking about the developments underway in this area, he said, "libraries need to do what they want to do and business needs to do what they want to do; there needs to be diversity, but we need to work together. We must stay in touch to be compatible."

The National Research Education Network (NREN) was described by Carolyn Henderson, Deputy Director of the ALA Washington Office. In referring to the Network she said, "you have a good strong plan that should be connected to NREN at as many points as possible."

Corporation Commissioner Cody Graves discussed the need for a statewide telecommunications network and stressed the impact it would have on economic development in the state. Similar comments were made by Senator Bernice Shedrick, Secretary of Education Sandy Garrett and G. Douglas Fox, Chief Executive Officer of Tribune/Swab-Fox Companies, Inc.

Librarians participating in the program were: Patricia Davis, Clinton M. Thompson, Jr., Robert L. Clark, John Augelli, Katherine Hale, and Edward R. Johnson. Orchestrating the day's activities behind the scenes was Denny Stephens.

The critical elements needed for a successful statewide network were listed by Nancy Bolt in the Spring 1991 issue of Library Administration & Management.

1. There must be commitment at the state level to make it happen.
2. Coalitions with providers of information must be effected so that there is something of use and value to deliver over the network.
3. Enough libraries at the local level must participate in order to deliver the services.
4. Continuing staff training must be provided so that librarians feel comfortable when patrons request assistance.
5. A coordinated, pervasive public relations campaign that stimulates use of the network must be inaugurated.
6. There must be a provision for maintaining high-quality network access standards.

To that list, I would add two other critical elements:
7. There has to be appropriate legislation to create an effective state network.

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Let's All Move One Place On

In the last issue of the Oklahoma Librarian, we discussed "...moving one place on" toward achieving OLA goals and objectives.

Continuing in that vein, the second goal under CONTINUING EDUCATION is:
The Oklahoma Library Association will encourage the educational and professional development of Oklahoma librarians and library employees.

If you were one of the 57 attendees at "Do It! Rising to the Challenges of Cataloging Workshop", held Nov. 8 then you know that the Technical Services and Automation Roundtables have moved more than one place on toward achieving our second goal! Congratulations and thanks to all of those who are members of these two Roundtables for their hard work. Comments such as "...really enjoyed meeting and working with librarians from all levels—academic, public and public school"; "...Speakers were EXCELLENT"; and "...enjoyed it and learned new things" let us know that we are hitting the mark and moving forward with continuing education. Also, a special thanks to the Continuing Education Committee for their guidance on all of our workshops.

Now for those of you who missed this workshop, do not despair, many more are planned. I hope you attended the Support Staff Roundtable Workshop cosponsored by FOLIO Dec. 13. Watch your mail for more truly "colorful" flyers that invite you and others to Oklahoma Library Association workshops.

If you haven’t marked your calendars for the BIGGEST OLA workshop of all, do so now. OLA Annual Spring Conference is April 29-May 2, 1992 in Tulsa. I understand there will be lots of FUN and GAMES. You’ll find more information in this issue of the Oklahoma Librarian and in forthcoming issues.

—Carol Casey

OLA SCHEDULE/HOLIDAYS

December 2-9
Hanukkah

December 5
Membership Committee, Shawnee - 10 a.m.

December 6
FOLIO, West Reg. Library, Tulsa - 10 a.m.

Interlibrary Cooperation Committee, Moore P.L., 10:30 a.m.

OASLMS Executive Board, SDE, Oklahoma City - 1 p.m.

December 9
Legislative Committee, Oklahoma City - 1:30 p.m.

December 10
White House Conference Teleconference

December 13
Support Staff Roundtable Workshop, ODL

December 18
OLA/ODL Certification Committee, ODL - 1:30 p.m.

December 20
Program Committee/Executive Board, Guthrie P. L.

December 25
Christmas

January 1
New Year's Day

January 6
*OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN deadline

January 10
Social Responsibilities Roundtable, ODL, Okla. City-10 a.m.

Membership Committee, Rogers St. College, Claremore-10 a.m.

NMRT Reception, UCAT, Tulsa - 5:30-7:30 p.m.

January 17
Program Comm./Exec. Bd., Pocan Rm., Sheraton Kensington, Tulsa

*Submit items for Bulk Mailing to be mailed February 1

January 22-24
Assn. for Library & Info. Science Ed., San Antonio, TX

January 25-30
American Library Association Midwinter, San Antonio, TX

January 31
Governor's Mansion Library Committee

February 4
Legislative Reception, Faculty House, OKC - 4-6:30 p.m.

February 5
Legislative Day, State Capitol, Oklahoma City

February 7
Joint Sequoyah Children's/YA, ODL - 10 a.m.

Interlibrary Coop., Comm., Historical Society, OKC - 10:30 a.m.

February 14
GODORT Workshop, ODL

February 20
Membership Committee, OSU-OKC - 10 a.m.

February 21
Program Committee/Executive Board, ODL

*Count Ballots for OLA Offices (Nominating Committee Chairs)

New Members Gather for Lunch

February 28
Reference Roundtable Workshop

March 1
*OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN deadline

March 4
*Ash Wednesday

March 6
Interlibrary Coop., Comm., ODL - 10:30 a.m.

March 13
ODL Spring Event for Children's Librarians

March 18-20
PLA "Very Best" Workshops, Chicago

March 19
Social Responsibilities Roundtable, ODL, Okla. City-10 a.m.

Membership Committee, Tulsa - 10 a.m.

March 20
Program Committee/Executive Board, Shawnee P.L.

March 26
Interlibrary Coop. Comm. Workshop (Tentative), Moore P.L.

March 27
*Submit Annual Report to Executive Director

April 1-4
ALA/Assn. for College & Research Libraries, Phoenix, AZ

April 3
Sequoyah Children's, ODL - 10 a.m.

April 5-11
National Library Week
Awards Committee Seeks Nominees

The Awards Committee needs nominations from the membership for recognition by librarians and others, for contributions to Oklahoma libraries and the profession of librarianship. Specific forms are available for each of OLA's five awards to request definitive information to help in making informed decisions concerning comparative qualifications of those nominated.

Please read the following list of OLA awards, honors, and citations. If you know of a worthy candidate, request an application form from: Awards Committee, Oklahoma Library Association, 300 Hardy Drive, Edmond, OK 73013, 405-348-0506. The deadline for returning award applications is February 1, 1992.

Distinguished Service Award is granted to a librarian in recognition of inspired leadership, devoted service, and unusual contributions to Oklahoma libraries and to the profession of librarianship. The recipient shall have effectively demonstrated for five years or more a valid, thorough, and imaginative concept of librarianship and library service in Oklahoma, having expressed that concept in actual practice. The recipient of this award must be a current member of the Oklahoma Library Association. This award is the highest honor OLA bestows on its members.

Citizens Recognition Award is granted to individuals, groups, or non-library organizations which have demonstrated a sound and special interest in libraries and library service to the advancement of libraries over a period of time.

Certificate of Appreciation may be granted to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution on one project for OLA or type of contribution to the field of librarianship. Persons might be non-librarians offering a one-time, valuable contribution or librarians whose effort on one project appears notable.

Special Meritorious Service Award may be granted to individuals for leadership and/or service, and for whom the Distinguished Service Award is not appropriate. The purpose is to recognize service to the profession above and beyond regular duties. This award should not be considered in competition with, nor conflicting with, the Distinguished Service Award.

Outstanding New Librarian Award is granted to a librarian in recognition of significant contributions to librarianship and potential for professional development. The recipient must have five or fewer years of experience as a professional librarian, with at least two years of experience within Oklahoma. Consider leadership in innovative programs or service, exceptional use of local, state, or national library resources, significant betterment of library and community relations, and activity in professional library organization at the local, state, or national level. The recipient must be a current member of OLA.

—Katherine E. Hale
Chair, Awards Committee

Pioneer Library System Revises Mission Statement

The Pioneer Library System Board of Trustees recently approved a revision in the library system's mission statement.

Debra Engel, assistant director for the library system, said, "This is a very important document. It outlines how we serve the public and guides our planning both at the branch level and system-wide."

The mission of the Pioneer Library System approved by the board reads:

The Pioneer Library System is the community connection to information. The Library System provides personalized customer service through timely, accurate information and an effective, dynamic staff. The Library System promotes literacy and reading, the pursuit of lifelong learning, and values the dignity of individual beliefs.

The Pioneer Library system serves Cleveland, McClain and Pottawatomie Counties with branch libraries in Noble, Norman, Moore, Blanchard, Newcastle, Purcell, Shawnee, Tecumseh, and a Reading Center in McLoud.

—Bob Tormey
Librarians Celebrate Year of the Renaissance

Cameron University Library helped launch the university's Year of the Renaissance celebration with a weekend open house, Sept. 9-13, called "Discovering New Worlds." Events included a demonstration on raptors, with handling of a live red-tailed hawk, sparrow hawk and great-horned owl, dressing up in Renaissance costumes for a day, and demonstrations on different CD-ROM systems as well as the library's VTLS computer catalog.

The university's full schedule of events include music, art exhibits, and six internationally prominent Renaissance scholars as keynote speakers. The year will culminate in the English language world premier of the new French musical comedy, "Christopher Columbus: The Gypsy's Fortune," April 23-May 2. For a free brochure of the year's calendar of events, write: Year of the Renaissance, Cameron University, 2800 W. Gore Blvd., Lawton, OK 73505 or call (405) 581-2442.

It's almost time to vote!!

The 1991-1992 Sequoyah Children's Book Award masterlist has been an exciting and entertaining group of books to read. It is almost time to vote for your favorite title. Any Oklahoma students in grades three through six may participate. A student should have read or heard at least two books in order to cast a vote.

Each student meeting this requirement may cast one vote to choose a favorite title from the masterlist. Each school must prepare a masterlist ballot by the author's name and record ALL the votes for each title (not just the school's winner). Votes should be sent by January 31, 1992 to:

The Sequoyah Children's Book Award
Library Media Section
State Department of Education
2500 North Lincoln Blvd.
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-4599

In order to receive an announcement of the winner, send a self-addressed stamped envelope along with the ballot.

The winning author will be invited to accept the award during the annual Oklahoma Library Association Spring Conference. Students will have an opportunity to have a copy of the winning book autographed by the author. If you are interested in attending, please send reservations to:

Susan Silva
1603 S. Gary Avenue
Tulsa, OK 74104

Reservations should include your name, the name of the school, an address and telephone number where you may be reached, the number of children who will be attending and the number of buses.

—Shan Giandon

Oklahoma ACRL Meets

The Oklahoma Chapter of Association of College and Research Libraries met to consider "Measuring Academic Library Performance" with Maureen Sullivan, independent library consultant, and Jack Siggins, Deputy University Librarian, Yale University, on Oct. 18 at the University of Oklahoma Memorial Union in Norman.

In an interactive format, workshop participants initially stated their expectations and concerns about evaluation processes both from a practical and philosophical viewpoint. The facilitators continued the morning session with a discussion of the purposes of evaluation and measurement, and the organizational context for assessment. The model presented for the evaluation process is a continuous cycle. It begins with a definition of effectiveness for the activity to evaluate followed by the setting of measurement criteria, determination of measures, actual data collection, assessment of performance, and finally feedback into existing goals and objectives to start the process over again. To skip any aspect of the cycle puts evaluators at the risk of wasting time and money.

During the lunch break, Dr. Robert Swisher, Dean of the OU School of Library and Information Studies, shared with us the results of assessment activities undertaken in the preparation for reaccreditation of the OU SLIS. Anne Million, reference librarian at the University of Oklahoma, completed our working lunch break with a presentation of "Evaluating Public Services in Academic Libraries" the winning paper which she wrote in response to the chapter call for papers in September. Anne's paper brought about further discussion and added another dimension to the topics on the agenda. The text of her paper is published in the Dec. OK/ACRL Newsletter.

The afternoon session was spent discussing the basics of measurement. The group participants were divided into four groups and given the task of compiling lists of processes and activities for measuring inputs and outputs in the areas of Facilities, Human Resources, Collection Development, and Reference Services and the methods by which the evaluation process might be achieved.

Participation was lively throughout the day. Those in attendance left with a synthesis of ideas from others, tools for action, and the impetus to either begin or continue a process of measurement and evaluation at their institution.

—Barbara Pickthorn, President
Oklahoma Chapter of ACRL
OLA...Let’s All Move One Place On!

The Friday night banquet speaker, a real treat for all of us, is Michael Wallis, author of Oil Man and Route 66, the Mother Road. His newest book, Pretty Boy: the Life and Times of Charles Arthur Floyd, is another story set in Oklahoma.

Wallis’ Route 66 was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize, and this latest work promises to be just as well-received. Wallis has strong ties to Oklahoma (he’s a Tulsa resident) and has indicated he will be sharing his “war stories” with us, giving the inside scoop on Pretty Boy, his antics, his associations, and his relatives. Since nearly everyone in Oklahoma claims to have known, hidden, or fed the famous outlaw, we may end up talking about someone you know!

A second really exciting aspect of Conference ’92 is the addition of a post-conference on Saturday. The Trustees Division, Ethics Committee, and FOI OK are co-sponsoring a workshop on policy-formation for these times fraught with litigation. The recent Kreimer vs. Morristown suit pinpoints the need for policies that are legally sound and that protect the rights of all library users. OLA has never tried a Saturday afternoon program, and we are eager to see how this works out. This particular presentation is targeted for library professionals as well as board members, trustees, and Friends groups whose calendar should find this time slot more agreeable than weekdays.

So...the plans move one place on! It’s an exciting process that brings more surprises with each meeting. Stay tuned for further details.

—Jan Sanders
1992 Conference Chair

NOTE: The 1992 conference will be April 29-May 2 at the Sheraton-Kensington Hotel, Tulsa.

Feb. 14

Workshop on Environmental Resources

Please mark your calendars for a Workshop on Environmental Resources to be held at the Oklahoma Department of Libraries in Oklahoma City on Feb. 14, 1992.

Sponsored by the Government Documents Roundtable of OLA, the day will be arranged as follows:

Registration will begin at 12:45 p.m. Joyce Williams Bergin, librarian at the EPA's Ada lab, and Brita Haugeand-Cantrell, Oklahoma Assistant Attorney General, will speak about the EPA, public access to documents, and state agencies and environmental issues respectively. Then, there will be an open forum of questions, comments, and discussion led by several librarians knowledgeable in the areas of environmental business, law, electronic and technical sources, policy making, student and lay-person research. Handouts/pamphlets and hands-on experience with electronic sources will be available, as well as refreshments. Look for upcoming registration information. Cost will be $15 for OLA members and $30 for nonmembers.

Feb. 28

"Electrify Your Library" Workshop

Joe Jaros, Texas A & M University Library, will headline the Feb. 28 workshop “Electrify Your Library” sponsored by the Reference Roundtable and the College and University Division. Jaros' library offers its users several CD-ROM databases, online searching, and an online catalog.

Four breakout sessions will offer something for even small libraries. Topics are:

⊙ Computerizing on a Small Scale: Having Your Own Data Base with DOS, Batch Files, and Shareware Software.
⊙ Hypertext/Hypermedia: Interacting with What You Read/Use.
⊙ CD-ROM Networking

Jaros’ wrap-up session will cover planning for continuing costs and service.

Registration deadline is Feb. 14. The cost, $20 for OLA members and $40 for non-members, includes a catered lunch. The workshop will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 28, and end around 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact:

Melissa Huffman (RRT)       Martha Woltz (CUD)         
Rose State College          University of Science & Arts
405-733-7538                 405-224-3140, ext. 262

For a registration form, contact Kay Boies, 300 Hardy Dr., Edmond, OK 73013.
Library Education around Oklahoma
An Informal Survey

This survey lists the library science/media courses which I could verify in mid-November. It does not include children's literature courses at colleges without other library courses. If other courses or programs for certification have been overlooked, please contact me so that they can be included in future surveys.

—Karen Morris, editor

Ada (East Central State U)
Newly approved program for school library media certification. See related article next page. Three classes, Wednesday evenings:
Administration & Use of Instructional Media
Selection
Young Adult Literature
Semester begins Jan. 9; for additional information, telephone the School of Education & Psychology at 405/332-8000 ext. 348.

Alva (Northwestern Oklahoma State U)
Offers courses for school library media certification; schedule coordinated with Weatherford (SWOSU). Three courses, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings:
Public Relations for SLMC
Reference and Bibliography
Books and Reading for Children
For more information, telephone Ray Lau, Library, at 405/327-1700 ext. 219.

Durant (Southeastern Oklahoma State U) — library courses in mothballs.

Edmond (U of Central Oklahoma) — contact Dr. Frances Alsworth at 405/341-2980.

Enid (Phillips U) — library media program in mothballs.

Lawton (Cameron U) — contact Dr. Diane Jackson at 405/581-2864.

Norman (U of Oklahoma)
ALA-accredited masters program for MLIS or MALIS degree. Several courses, various times, including four on Saturdays (S):

- Children's Literature (S)
- Sci. & Tech. Resources (New)
- Org./Description Mat. II
- Information Uses/Services
- Mgmt./Util. of Mat./Equip. (S)
- Online/Onsite Retrieval
- Biomedical Data Bases
- Soc. Studies of Know. (New)
- Reference
- Administration
- Gov't. Pubs.
- Selection
- Books/Mat. for YA
- Public Relations (S)
- Automation
- Elements of Research
- Int. & dir'd. readings

The preservation class has been cancelled. For addi-

—Karen Morris, editor

Oklahoma State U)
One course per semester offered, running Friday night-Saturday, on every other weekend:
Reference Materials
For more information, telephone OSU Education Extension at 405/744-6254.

Tahlequah (Northeastern Oklahoma State U) — library media courses in mothballs.

Tulsa (U of Oklahoma at UCT)
ALA-accredited masters program for MLIS or MALIS degree. Seven courses scheduled at various times, including one on weekends (W):

- Intro to Info. Science
- Selection
- Books/Mat. for YA
- Multidisciplinary Librarianship (New)
- Instructional Design (W)
- Law Library
- Interns. & dir'd. readings

The preservation class has been cancelled. For additional information, telephone the OU office at UCT at 918/586-0760, Dr. Lotsee Patterson's UCT office at 918/586-0748, or the Norman SLIS office at 405/325-3921.

Weatherford (Southwestern Oklahoma State U)
Offers courses for school library media certification; schedule is coordinated with Alva (NWOSU); seven courses, some Monday nights (M):

- Children's literature
- Administration
- Young adult literature
- Government Pubs.
- Reference & Biblio. (M)
- Public Relations (S)
- Instructional Design (M)
- Automation
- Elements of Research
- Computer Literacy (M)
- Interns. & dir'd. readings

For additional information, telephone the School of Education, Dr. Lessley Price (he) at 405/774-3149, Dr. John Ludlack at 405/774-3235, or Dr. Pauline Travis at 405/774-3148.
OLA Scholarships for Library School Students

The Scholarship Committee of the Oklahoma Library Association is soliciting applications from Oklahoma library school students for awards from $500-1,000. The awards are based on academic achievement and professional promise. Applicants must be Oklahoma residents and members in good standing of OLA. They must hold an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution and intend to pursue formal graduate study in Oklahoma that will result in a degree or certification, with the goal of entering librarianship as a profession.

Transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate course work must be submitted, along with an official application form which is available from the executive director of the OLA. The formal application must be submitted by February 1, 1992. A personal interview may be required.

The awards will be presented to the successful applicants at the First General Session of the 1992 Annual Conference of the OLA. Request applications from Kay Boles, Executive Director, OLA, 300 Hardy Drive, Edmond, OK 73013. (405) 348-0506.

—Kay Britton

ALA/LITA Scholarship Applications

The Library and Information Technology Association (LITA) is accepting applications for two 1992 scholarship awards. The deadline is April 1, 1992.

The LITA/CLSI Scholarship in Library and Information Technology encourages students to pursue a career in library automation. The $2,500 award will be made to a student entering or currently enrolled in an American Library Association (ALA)-accredited master's degree program. The student's program must emphasize library automation.

The LITA/OCLC Minority Scholarship in Library and Information Technology encourages minority students to pursue a career in library automation. The $2,500 award will be made to a student entering or currently enrolled in an American Library Association (ALA)-accredited master's degree program. The student's program must emphasize library automation.

Criteria for both scholarships include academic excellence, leadership, evidence of commitment to a career in library automation and information technology, and prior activity and experience in these areas. In addition, applicants for the LITA/OCLC Minority Scholarship must be U.S. or Canadian citizens and members of a principal minority group—Native American or Alaskan, Asian or Pacific Islander, African-American or Hispanic.

For application instructions and forms for both scholarships, contact LITA/LITA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611-2729. Telephone: 800-545-2433, ext. 4270, FAX: 312-280-3257.

—ALA Public Information Office

"O! this learning, what a thing it is." 
William Shakespeare

—ALA Public Information Office
This column identifies government publications that are of special importance to librarians. These publications may be available in any of the U.S. or Oklahoma depository libraries throughout the state, or may be borrowed on interlibrary loan from your nearest GPO depository library.


This identifies and describes organizations that provide information, referral, and other services for the disabled. Each entry includes a description of the organization, who they serve and the services they provide, and their address and phone number.


This is a list of contact personnel in the Department who are subject experts in their field and who may be contacted for information purposes. It includes an index by subject specialties.


Illustrated with several photographs, this publication details the operation of Miracle Hill, a non-licensed children's home near Wewoka, Oklahoma. The conditions and treatment of children at this facility provided the impetus for the passage of the 1963 Oklahoma Child Care Licensing Act.


A supplement to Results 1990, this report details the comparison between school districts to allow one-on-one comparisons by showing each district's rank in the tested subject areas. A composite ranking of all tests in each district, giving an overall rank for the district, is also included. Rankings are based on raw score performance, rather than adjusted score performance.
AMIGOS
Supporting Libraries in Oklahoma

AMIGOS members vary greatly in size and degree of resources available for automation. Whether you have a staff of one or dozens, AMIGOS and OCLC offer efficient ways of providing library services.

Resource Sharing
SharePAC maximizes resource sharing and minimizes costs! It is the only CD-ROM resource sharing package with a link to the OCLC ILL system. If you are planning a union catalog, look into SharePAC today to discover the benefits for you and your resource sharing partners.

Reference
The FirstSearch Catalog is affordable, comprehensive and simple to use. Innovative block pricing eliminates database connect time charges. A menu-driven system allows library patrons to search the OCLC Online Union Catalog and a growing list of subject-specific databases on their own. Free up your time, try FirstSearch!

DiscLit:
American Authors is a full-text CD of the 143 volumes in the Twayne’s United States Authors Series. Search across the full series easily on DiscLit’s one CD.

The EPIC service, OCLC’s online reference system, provides complete subject access to the OCLC Online Union Catalog, a 24 million record database. Virtually every word in this database is indexed and searchable to help find the sources needed, even some unknown ones! A growing list of subject-specific databases are now available.

Call AMIGOS for details:
800-843-8482

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AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc.
12200 Park Central Drive, Suite 500
Dallas, TX 75251
Federal Relations Coordinator Report

LSCA Funding

The Senate passed HR2707, the FY1992 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Bill, by a vote of 78-22 on September 22. For some programs these figures were higher than the House-passed figures. House-Senate conferees are meeting now to come to an agreement on funding for library programs. Title II funding has been settled. It was decided to split the difference between the House recommendation of $14,218,000 and the Senate passed amount of $19,218,000 to finally become $16,718,000. No library programs were cut during early deliberations, but some cuts may occur either to individual programs or on an across-the-board basis.

HEA-II-B

The library career training program is due for a hefty increase, from $651,000 to $5M. To clarify congressional intent concerning the use of the increased funding, four senators engaged in a colloquy—Paul Sarbanes (D-MD) and Paul Simon (D-IL) with Tom Harkin (D-IA) and Arlen Specter (R-PA). In summary, the senators recommended that the Department of Education use the majority of the increased funds for fellowships at both the doctoral and master’s levels; use a smaller percentage for other library training, retraining, and education projects; make minority recruitment a priority; raise the amounts of the fellowship stipends; and consult with the library community on the use of funds.

--Donna Skvarla, Oct. 24, 1991

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PEOPLE & PLACES

Jessie Zumwall, branch manager of the Grove Public Library since 1981, was recently honored at a retirement reception. She began working for the Eastern Oklahoma District Library System in 1971.

Margaret Peeples joined NSU's John Vaughan Library faculty on August 21. She is a reference librarian and serves as the resource coordinator for the College of Education. Peeples came to NSU from the University of California at Santa Cruz where she was Innovaq Coordinator in charge of monographic acquisitions and minicomputer system maintenance and repair.

New Members Reception

If you weren't there, you missed a good time! OLA's New Members Roundtable had a highly successful reception for library school students and OLA members at the library school in Norman on Thursday, October 25th from 5-7 p.m.

The food was good, and the fellowship congenial and entertaining. Lots of students attended and were pilled with food, talk and OLA membership forms. Many OLA members and leadership were also present. An innovation which greatly contributed to the success of this event was the fact that OLA's Membership Committee held its regular meeting prior to the reception and committee members stayed to participate.

Come to the University Center at Tulsa on January 16th for the next New Members Roundtable reception! Meet your fellows. Find out about NMRT, OLA, and librarianship. For more info, call Rachel Butler, 405-682-1611, or R. D. Bell, 918-586-0735.

—Rachel Butler
Chair, NMRT

New OLA Chairs

Intellectual Freedom Committee - Darcy Rankin, OSU. Legislative Committee - Anne Masters, Norman Public Schools. FOLIO President - Beverly Dieterlen, Tulsa.

Cameron University librarians helped the Lawton University kick off its celebration of the Year of the Renaissance. (See related article on page 64.) Pictured below are, left, front to back: Barbara Pickthorn, Cheryl Burns, Larceta Skrdle, and Susie Cooke. Right, front to back: Max Burson, Victoria Swinney, Barbara Henderson, Robert Baca, and Cheiko Tedford.

WANTED

DIRECTOR. 5-county consolidated public library system in South Central OK. Headquarters plus 7 branches and new bookmobile; OCLC/AMIGOS, CD-ROM PAC & Circ, 9-county ILL Transmission Site. Annual Budget $625,000; 22 FTE. 13-member operating board. ALA-accredited MLS required, progressively responsible supervisory and administrative responsibility. Strong professional, organizational, communication, financial and interpersonal skills desired. Minimum appointment $32,000, insurance and retirement paid, 15 days annual and other liberal benefits. Letter of interest, resume, and 3 current references to FLOY PARKHILL, Chairman, Chickasaw Library System Board, 601 Railway Express, Ardmore, OK 73401. (405) 223-3164. Deadline 12/31/91, or until position filled. EEO/ Affirmative Action Employer.

Governor's Mansion Library Committee is seeking donation of four drawer oak card catalog file for the Governor's Mansion library. Contact Peggy Cook, Norman Public Library, 225 N. Webster, Norman, OK 73069. 405/321-1481.

READER'S EXCHANGE

For Sale: 2 Brodart Sysdac Mark III System machines with date plates and one Addressograph Multigraph Embosser modified to emboss library cards for the Sysdac machines. All machines approximately 12 years old and in good condition. Best offer accepted. For more information, contact: Kay Schagunn, Eastern Oklahoma District Library System, 801 W. Okmulgee, Muskogee, OK 74401.
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