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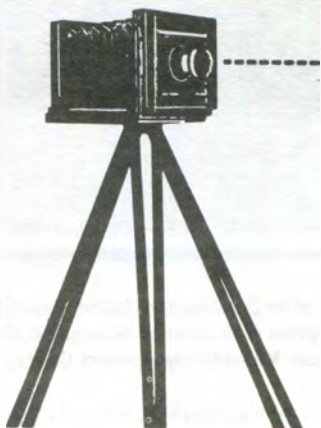
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"Read Succeed"

George Stewart, SELA president (left) and Linda Crismond, ALA Executive Director (right) displayed the "Read Succeed" tee shirt at the First General Session of the joint SELA/TLA Conference. ALA president Richard M. Dougherty has adopted the theme "Read Succeed" for his theme during the 1991 ALA Annual Conference in Atlanta.

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President's Message

It is truly an honor to serve as president of the Southeastern Library Association and have the opportunity to address the membership regularly through these columns. In this first message I would like to reflect on some of the activities of the past biennium and then briefly mention a few of the priorities suggested for the next two years.

First, I want to thank George Stewart, Wanda Calhoun, Jo Wilson, and Charles Beard for the very fine job they did as officers of SELA during 1989-90. It was a pleasure to work with each of them and to experience the accomplishments of the Association under their leadership. All of us are indebted to our Executive Secretary, Claudia Medori, and Office Manager, JoAnne Treadwell, for the efficient way in which they operate the Headquarters Office in Tucker and for their congenial dispositions. Members of SELA can take a great deal of pride in our journal, THE SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARIAN. We appreciate the excellent work which Elizabeth Curry is doing as editor, along with the associate editors, Raylynn Hughes and David Tucker. In addition, special recognition should be given to Jim Cooper and others on the Membership Committee for the 453 new members in 1990!



Appreciation is given to Carol Hewlett, president of the Tennessee Library Association, and other members of TLA for their help in hosting the 1990 joint conference in Nashville. Above all, I want to express my sincere gratitude to the Local Arrangements Committee and their subcommittees for the superb job they did in making this a successful and memorable conference—truly a rich and rewarding experience for me.

Our hats are off to leaders of the various substructures of SELA and TLA for the outstanding work they did with their groups during the past biennium. For SELA this was the first time to meet in Nashville, and it provided an excellent opportunity for groups in both associations to plan jointly an experience in keeping with the theme "Southern Harmony: Libraries in Tune for the Future"—a fitting climax to a good biennium.

Now as we look to the future, we can do so with a great deal of enthusiasm. At the SELA/TLA Conference in Nashville, SELA officers met with representatives of Louisiana, and plans are already underway for what promises to be another exciting joint conference. Current LLA President Beth Bingham and President-elect Anna Perrault are in the process of appointing persons to work on the conference along with Dan Wilson, who is chairing Local Arrangements for SELA. The SELA/LLA Conference is scheduled for March 16-23, 1992, in New Orleans.

In the biographical information accompanying the announcement of my candidacy for Vice-President/President-Elect of SELA, I mentioned some primary concerns as they relate to the library profession and would like to list a few of them for my priorities as we approach a new biennium: (1) To increase membership and the active involvement of library-related personnel throughout the region in the work of the Association; (2) to work with member states in jointly sponsoring additional activities, such as continuing education, during non-SELA conference years; (3) to develop a closer working relationship with ALA and related organizations; (4) to strengthen the financial condition of the Association; (5) to seek and monitor legislation pertaining to libraries in the region, particularly as it relates to better funding for libraries; (6) to support in every way possible the 1991 White House Conference on Library and Information Services; (7) to promote literacy among all citizens in the region; (8) to discourage the trend to close quality programs of library education; (9) to oppose the growing threat to intellectual freedom; and (10) to work for the provision of library services to all citizens.

The theme I have selected for the biennium is "Libraries and Readers: A Winning Combination." This is in keeping with the nationwide program initiated by the Center for the Book and the Library of Congress designating 1991 as the "Year of the Lifetime Reader."

Let's continue the momentum begun by previous officers and work together in helping to make SELA an even stronger association. I encourage your active participation and would welcome your suggestions.

Jim Ward

Editor's Page

SOUTHERN HARMONY IN NASHVILLE

Congratulations to Jim Ward and everyone who worked to make the 1990 SELA/TLA Conference such a big success! Attendance totaled 1,596 including exhibitors.

The Christmas spirit was literally everywhere at the Opryland Hotel with decorations, holiday scenes, thousands of poinsettias, and lights. The spirit of "Southern Harmony" was also definitely evident in the program presentations, special events and informal conversations. I attended a pre-conference on Cost Finding for Interlibrary Loan Services which drew over 50 people from eight states. The SOLINET Update session was packed with over 150 people and I heard rave reviews about the great line-up of other presentations sponsored by the SELA Interstate Cooperation Committee and TLA Resource Sharing Roundtable. RayLynn Hughes, David Tucker and I also attended a meeting for state editors from the Southeast. This meeting drew a small group but we came up with some big ideas. The speaker at the closing general session, Tom T. Hall shared his ideas, sang a little tune, made us laugh and really gave us all something to think about.

I didn't find much time to explore Nashville, but I joined over 600 other librarians who attended the Grand Old Opry on Friday night. It was quite an experience to see a radio show in progress! The chocolate GooGoo Clusters made in Tennessee were also the perfect treat to munch during the show.

I returned from Nashville tired but also revitalized. It's hard to believe but plans for the next biennium are already underway. I've had the pleasure of attending the LLA conference and experiencing their hospitality so I'm looking forward to the joint conference. Beth Bingham and her crew really know how to put on an enjoyable and educational conference! Since the joint SELA/LLA Conference will be held in March 1992 planning time is short. The SELA board and committees will meet in Atlanta February 22-23, 1991 for a leadership and planning session.

Since this issue of *THE SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARIAN* was already in process during the conference, the Spring issue will include more coverage of reports from SELA committee meetings, elections and programs as well as a conference overview by David Tucker. I hope we receive articles from some of the conference presenters that we can share with readers, but that may take awhile.

ALA IS COMING TO ATLANTA

The Spring issue of *SELn* will also feature information on the ALA Conference to be held in Atlanta in June 29-July 4, 1991. Linda Crismond, ALA Executive Director, and Gerald Hodges, Director of ALA Membership and Chapter Relations Office, attended the SELA/TLA Conference and noted that of the 50,509 ALA members about 9,400 were from the Southeast. Three ALA Division presidents and eleven ALA Councilors are from the Southeast along with many other committee leaders. The 1991 ALA conference will mark the first time since 1899 that ALA has met in Atlanta!

In this issue of *SELn* you'll find a list of the 1991 Atlanta Local Arrangements Committee members who are working on the conference. Information on special hotel arrangements for SELA members coming to Atlanta for the ALA Annual 1991 Conference is also included in the back of this issue.

ALA president, Dick Dougherty, will have an exciting 1991 conference focusing on the broad application of his theme "Read-Succeed." Incoming ALA president, Patricia Schuman, will be inaugurated at the end of the Atlanta Conference. In October I attended a "think tank" meeting concerning ideas for her theme and activities for her presidential term of office. It should be a truly exciting year as she strives to "capture the public's imagination." Patricia Schuman plans to promote the impact of library services nationally and create a model for local or regional campaigns. One of her goals is to create the impetus for communication plans and programs which will continue past her term as ALA president. Stay tuned for more information on how you can participate in your area and how you can submit your examples to *SELn*.



Elizabeth Curry

The Effect of Distance on the Level of Use of Branch Libraries in Jackson, Mississippi

by Clarence W. Hunter

The importance of distance and its effect on public library use has been a subject of interest by those involved in library research throughout most of this century. Studies have been made in communities showing that there is a close relationship between the distance that a patron has to travel and the use that is made of a particular facility. Despite these studies, some library administrators and boards have continued to be influenced by other factors—aside from distance—in making site selections of library facilities, particularly branches.

The changes in urban America have forced library administrators to reexamine the placement of library facilities. The decay of the inner cities and the flight of the more affluent and better educated patrons to newer and suburban communities have altered the pattern of use of branch libraries. To make use of limited resources, these administrators have been forced to reorganize their branch systems by closing some branches, combining others and building others.

The Jackson/Hinds Library System of Jackson, Mississippi, has been faced with this problem. Within the city of Jackson itself, many of the older communities have undergone substantial demographic changes. In addition, in 1986, the regional setup, which had embraced some of the surrounding counties, was broken up. The new arrangement included only the city and Hinds county. These changes therefore altered the need for the direction of some of the branches.

This need to change level and direction of branch libraries in Jackson had been the focus of the Jackson Municipality Planning Board prior to the breakup of the regional system. In 1971, a study was done by the Jackson City Planning Board, and it was noted in that study that branch libraries were too heavily concentrated in "close in locations." The recommendation was that fewer and better branches be created (Jackson City Planning Board 1971, 5). Some changes have been made that reflect these recommendations, including the closure of two branches in the predominantly black and poor communities and the building of a single branch to replace those closed.

At present, there are eleven branches within the Jackson/Hinds system. Six, as well as the main library, are located within the city limits. The question has arisen as to whether the patrons who use these libraries—particularly the two larger branches—travel a reasonable

distance to use these facilities, or whether additional branches should be built or existing ones be relocated to foster better use of the resources. The administration had made some response to the changes that were taking place in the city by moving the Livingston Branch to a nearby shopping center and renaming it in honor of Margaret Walker Alexander. Distance had been used as a determining factor in this move, and recent circulation figures show that this was a sound move because patrons have found the new branch more accessible to meet their needs.

The study described here was done to examine distance as a factor in the use of the Northside Branch Library, the South Hills Branch Library, and the Medgar Evers Branch Library. Northside and South Hills are the two large branches located in the northeastern and southwestern sections of the city, respectively, while Medgar Evers is a medium-sized branch in the western part of the city. The investigation is based on the hypothesis that the shorter the distance between the branch library and its patrons, the greater will be the use of its facilities.

RELATED LITERATURE

Accessibility to public libraries in the United States has been a focal point for study since the beginning of this century. The earlier literature emphasized the need for the library to be close to the user if it were to be effective. This was the period when most of the nation was rural and few had private transportation. The later and more recent studies reflect more of the problems of an urban society and the need for library administrators, as well as other public officials, to find the most efficient and economical way to deliver services. Both the earlier and later studies stressed the importance of nearness and ease of access in determining the level of use of branch libraries.

In an early distance study done in Wilmington, Delaware, findings showed a decided decline in the number of borrowers at branch libraries when the distance from the residence of the patrons and that of the branch exceeded one mile (Jones 1926, 6-8). In 1933, A. B. Horowitz reached a similar conclusion when he examined the relationship between nearness and access of book borrowers and the frequency with which the public library was used in Duluth, Minnesota. He noted that patrons beyond a radius of two miles used the facility infrequently (Horowitz 1933, 135). The two-mile limit was to become generally accepted as a standard for the ideal placement of branch libraries.

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In more recent times, researchers have approached this issue from many different directions. Frederick A. Schlipf (1973), a librarian, examined the relationship between distance and use from a geographical perspective and focused on the nature of users found within particular census tracts within Chicago. Robert Coughlin, Francoise Taieb, and Benjamin Stevens (1972), political scientists, focused their study on the people and areas served by libraries in Philadelphia and the ways that location of *any* public facility, such as a public library, affected its functional goals. The work of Coughlin and his associates has been particularly significant in the development of the market area concept: identification of the area that accounts for 80% of actual circulation. They observed that no library in their study had a market area of less than a ½ mile, and most libraries had a market area of 1 7/8 miles (Coughlin, Taieb, and Stevens 1972, 233).

Most of the later studies followed the directions set by Schlipf and Coughlin, with a greater emphasis being placed on the practical use of all public facilities, including branch libraries. Malcolm Getz (1980), looking at the public library from a fiscal standpoint, made a significant contribution in the understanding of policy implications in library locations and raised serious questions as to what would be the best and most economical locale for a branch library. This too became the focus of a study done by Robert M. Hayes and E. Susan Palmer (1983, 67), in their study of library location in Los Angeles.

METHODOLOGY

The research design for this study was developed to show graphically the effects of distance on the level of use of three major branch libraries in Jackson, Mississippi. The locations of residences of patrons were graphically displayed on maps, and the distances from these locations to the branch libraries were measured. The residence locations were obtained from a sample of the 1987 circulation records of the branches. From the Northside branch, 481 records out of a total circulation of 159,043 were chosen; for South Hills, 443 records out of a total circulation of 143,229 were chosen, and for Medgar Evers, 353 records out of a total circulation of 72,184 were chosen.

After the sample was selected, the distance from the patron's place of residence to the branch library location was measured on a map of the Jackson area and a letter code assigned. The purpose of giving a letter code was to assign each circulation figure to an area that would designate a specific distance. Those circulation figures coded **A** were 0-1 miles from the branch, those coded **B** were 1-2 miles from the branch, those coded **C** were 2-3 miles from the branch, and those coded **D** were over three miles from the branch.

FINDINGS

The findings show that the majority of the sample for the three branches fell within the **A-C** area, that is within the 1-3 mile area. This area is similar to the market area that had been used in the Coughlin study. There is a heavier concentration of circulation in the **A-B** area in the sample for Medgar Evers. The circulation figures for Northside and South Hills, however, are dispersed over a larger area with a significant percentage found outside of the market area. The sample for South Hills has some similarities to that of Medgar Evers, with a significant percentage of the circulation figures clustered around the branch itself, yet there is sizable circulation outside of the market area within the new residential sections that are developing southwest of the branch. While most of the circulation figures for the Northside branch are within the market radius area, there is a tendency for the circulation to move northeast of the branch.

A closer look, however, at the circulation figures for both Northside and South Hills shows a significant percentage is found in the **D** area, which is over three miles from the branch. In Northside, 68 of the 481 figures examined, or 14%, are in the **D** area. In South Hills, 89 of 443 circulation figures examined, or 20.9%, are found in the **D** area. The greater majority (85-90%) of the circulation figures for Medgar Evers are within the **A-B** range.

CONCLUSION

The findings in this study support the hypothesis that the shorter the distance between the branch library and the user, the greater will be the use of its facilities. The differences in Northside and South Hills from that of Medgar Evers reflect in many ways the changes that are occurring within the Jackson/Hinds area and the variance in the socioeconomic makeup of the communities in which the branches are located.

The development that is taking place in the Jackson area is primarily in the northeastern and southwestern sections of the city, away from the central areas and in the general area of Northside and South Hills. The most active development is within the southwestern part of the city/county and has a definite impact on the distance that patrons would have to travel to use the South Hills branch. While there is significant development taking place in the northeastern sector, some of it is in the adjoining county and thus outside of the control of the Jackson/Hinds system. In addition, the 1980 census figures show that residents of the Northside and South Hills communities are more affluent, better educated, and more mobile.

Although the patrons of these branches may be willing and able to travel further to reach the branches, more effective service could be provided if additional branch locations were considered. For the Northside

branch, a new facility located in the far northeastern section of the city would serve those who are found outside of the market service area. There are no library facilities located in this general area at present. The continued growth of the southwestern part of the city may force the Jackson/Hinds administration to consider either establishing a new branch in this area or making substantial improvements in some of the smaller branches that exist within Hinds county but are outside of the city limits.

The findings in this study are in accord with similar studies stretching back over sixty years to that done in 1926 in Wilmington. Library research has always found that the impact of distance is significant. Perhaps the only other factor of similar importance is the socioeconomic status of the community served. The librarian, however, has no control over the socioeconomic status but does control the distance of library agencies from patron concentrations. This appears to offer the greatest possibility of improved access to library users.

Because of its timing just prior to the 1990 census, this study was unable to relate the usage that presently exists to population characteristics. We do know, however, that the characteristics of the populations in the further rings surrounding both Northside and South Hills are such that many fewer people are using the services of these branches than could be expected if the distances to the branches were reduced. When the 1990

census tract data appears in detail, this study will be complete. Until then, this study may serve a useful purpose to other library systems as a reminder of the importance of distance and to stimulate other libraries to perform similar research.

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It's Still Judy Blume: Censorship In Alabama

Martha Merrill

For some time, the Intellectual Freedom Committee (IFC) of the Alabama Library Association (AlaLA) has been concerned over censorship attempts in the state. Many complaints were unknown to the AlaLA IFC; some complaints did not become known until after they were settled. The IFC wanted to know the extent of censorship in Alabama libraries.

A questionnaire modeled after ones used in Indiana and Arkansas was mailed to 200 public libraries at the end of 1988: 1,236 school libraries and 55 academic (two-year and four-year institutions) libraries. From the total of 1,491 libraries, 431 usable responses were received for a 29% response rate. Of the respondents, 39% were from public libraries, 26% from school libraries, and 55% from academic libraries.

Of those that replied about circulation policies, 89% of all the libraries do have circulation policies. One hundred per cent of the academic libraries have a circulation policy compared to 89% of the school libraries and 84% of the public libraries.

A large majority (86%) of all the libraries has a materials selection policy. Eighty-nine percent of school libraries, 83% of academic libraries, and 73% of public libraries have a materials selection policy. Some of the materials selection policies do not include a patron complaint form. Of those responding to the question, 73% of all the libraries had a patron complaint form. Complaint forms were included in the materials selection policy in 78% of the school libraries, 64% of the public libraries, and 50% of the academic libraries.

Libraries were asked if questionable or challenged materials were treated differently in the library shelving and/or circulation policies. Of those who answered, 43% of all libraries indicated they did treat these materials differently. Different treatments were reported by 52% of the school libraries, 20% of the public libraries, and 10% of the academic libraries. Placing this material on reserve was the primary shelving treatment. Placing the material in the librarian's office/workroom was the second most frequently used procedure.

Most of the challenged or questionable materials were available upon request. The school libraries, in particular, required parental permission (9%) or used the discretion of the librarian (13%). Those librarians using their discretion based their decisions on the grade level of the student or the maturity of the student. Material was occasionally placed in a professional collection only accessible to teachers (5%). For public libraries, 4% indicated the material as for-adult-use-only.

None of the academic libraries reported a patron complaint about materials in the collection within the

last two years. However, 31% of the public libraries and 30% of the school libraries experienced complaints about library material. Public libraries reported that 78 complaints originated with individuals. School libraries reported that 201 complaints originated with individuals. The libraries were not asked to identify individuals. However, as indicated in the written comments, complaints in school libraries are not always from parents. Some school libraries reported that a teacher at the school instigated the complaint.

Eight libraries reported complaints originated with groups or people claiming to represent groups. Five such complaints occurred in school libraries, and three occurred in public libraries. Not all the libraries listed the names of the groups involved. Of those that did list the names, two cited the Eagle Forum; three cited a church, and one cited Watchman Fellowship, Inc.

The libraries were asked to indicate the number of each type of library material challenged. The following numbers by type of material were reported:

- 121 children's fiction
- 37 children's non-fiction
- 45 young adult fiction
- 13 young adult non-fiction
- 41 adult fiction
- 9 adult non-fiction
- 7 periodicals
- 6 videotapes
- 3 films
- 2 other (book fair and stuffed animals)

Not all the respondents listed the titles of the challenged materials. Only 106 titles were actually listed:

- Judy Blume was the most challenged author. *Blubber* was challenged in six libraries. *Are You There God, It's Me, Margaret* was challenged in three libraries. *Then Again, Maybe I Won't* and *Deenie* were challenged in two libraries. "All" Judy Blume books were challenged in two libraries.
- Shel Silverstein's *A Light in the Attic* was the next most frequently challenged book. Five libraries received a challenge on this book.
- *Bumps in the Night*, *Go Ask Alice*, *Bridge to Terabithia*, *I Know You, Al*, and *Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes* each had three challenges.
- Materials with two challenges each included *Two Queens of Heaven*; *Dark Forces Series*; *What To Do If You Or Someone You Know Is Under 18 and Pregnant*; *Witches: Outside Over There*; *Father Christmas*; *Christine*; *A Hero Ain't Nothin' But a Sandwich*; *There's a Bat in Bunk Five*; *Doctor Knock-Knock's Official Knock-Knock Dictionary*, and *The Great Gilly Hopkins*.

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- The remaining 85 titles only had one challenge each.

While the respondents were not asked why the materials were challenged, many included this information. Material was challenged because it contained profanity, nudity, evolution, Satanism/occult/witchcraft, because it was scary or sad, or because of its subject matter—death, sibling rivalry, puberty, various life styles, etc.

Four of the respondents reported that the complaint became known to the community through the media of television, newspaper, or radio.

Of all the incidents reported, 48 formal complaints were filed. Public libraries reported 29 formal complaints, and school libraries reported 19 formal complaints. Although the respondents were asked to indicate how each challenge was resolved, 74% did not report on the action concerning each title challenged. Of the 20 public libraries that answered the question, 95% of them indicated that the challenged materials were retained, and 5% reported the materials were removed. Of the 94 school libraries that answered this question, 56.4% indicated the material was retained; 31.9% indicated the material was removed, and 11.7% indicated some material was retained while some was removed.

Although material may have been retained, adjustments were often made. Three public libraries reported that the challenged material was reclassified, and one indicated the material was placed on restricted shelving. For school libraries that retained the material, two expurgated material, and 18 reported restricted shelving. Twelve school librarians reported removing the material. The removal was at times initiated by the librarian and at times at the request of the principal. Six reported that the principal had the challenged books. While it was not always specified, the principal seemed to have the books either for review or for undeclared removal from the library.

Most of the libraries do not have written materials from the American Library Association or the Alabama Library Association concerning intellectual freedom. Only 28.4% of all the libraries had a copy of *Intellectual Freedom: An Alabama Manual* published by the Intellectual Freedom Committee of the Alabama Library Association. Only 22.7% of all the libraries had a copy of the *Intellectual Freedom Manual* published by the Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association. The following reflects ownership of the manuals by type of library:

AlaIA Manual

- 56% public libraries
- 50% academic libraries
- 20% school libraries

ALA Manual

- 26% public libraries
- 59% academic libraries
- 19% school libraries

Requests for circulation records have not been a major factor. Only 2.3% of all the libraries reported that someone asked or demanded circulation records to disclose the names of patrons. Four public libraries, three school libraries, and three academic libraries reported this event. In the academic libraries, it appears that faculty and students inquire about who has a book because of their need for it. None of these requests became known to the community through the media. Not all the respondents indicated how the situation was resolved. Of those responding, three public libraries, two school libraries, and one academic library refused to disclose the information. One public library released the circulation records when a court order was obtained.

Alabama has a confidentiality of records law. Only 47% of all the libraries were aware of this law. Only 37% of the school libraries were aware of this law while 77% of the public libraries and 83% of the academic libraries were aware of the law.

Because school libraries appeared to have a major problem with information concerning intellectual freedom and with challenges, programs geared for them were developed. The Library and Media Professionals (LAMP) annually has regional meetings with vendors and programs for school media specialists. In September, 1989, five regional programs focused on censorship concerns for school librarians. Hundreds of school librarians in the state attended this program in the five sites. Handouts were given, and intellectual freedom manuals and selection policies were discussed. The school library media specialists seemed amazed at the extent of the problem within the state. They were encouraged to solidify their philosophy around the *Library Bill of Rights*.

The Intellectual Freedom Committee hopes that with education and information, censorship problems may be lessened. A follow-up study in five years should indicate if that goal has been achieved.

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An American Librarian In Oxford

Julie Still

For the past thirteen years, the University of Oklahoma College of Liberal Studies has sponsored a seminar for American librarians at the University of Oxford, England. The 1990 seminar, held from May 20th to June 2d, followed a format similar to that of past years: lectures, tours, excursions to area libraries, and a few unscheduled hours that could be used for individual research, appointments with British colleagues who share a specialty, or exploration in the city. Participants have the option of writing a paper for three hours of graduate credit. The seminar schedule is brisk, and those looking for a sight-seeing trip should look elsewhere.

There were 30 participants this year from a variety of libraries across the country: several library school students, one of whom had been a library trustee for years and upon her retirement decided to become a librarian herself; a librarian from the Strategic Air Command in Omaha; a librarian from a small college in Pippa Passes, Kentucky, and public librarians, school librarians, college librarians, librarians of all shapes and sizes. Our accommodations were excellent. We had the option of a single or double room, each with an individual bath (including a built-in hair drier). The rooms were quiet and very comfortable. Meals were included in the price of the room. I was the only Virginia representative, and although I am not a native, I did my best to uphold the good name of the commonwealth.

The seminar provides a wonderful opportunity to study the British library system and, in the process, to learn more about our own, much as studying a foreign language teaches the student about the structure of English. David Vaisey, who holds the title of Bodley's Librarian (as the director of the Bodleian library is known), made an enlightening statement in the seminar's opening address. He noted that in the states, we ask "How does it work?" In the UK, one asks "What are its origins?" This contrast proved to be not only a reflection of the differences in librarianship but in the cultures as a whole as well.

Seminar participants are given readers' privileges at the Bodleian, which allow them access to the library, its catalogs, and its collection. A vast majority of the collection is in closed stacks but can be retrieved upon request. The collection does not circulate, and one is often told that both king and Cromwell have been equally turned away when requesting a loan. Access to the library is not the simple matter it is here in the states; one does not merely sign a form or pay a fee and

get on with it. Applicants must swear an oath not to bring in food or drink or to kindle fires or light pipes. Nor is this an oath that a prospective patron simply reads and signs, but just as prospective voters in Virginia must do before receiving their voter registration card, it is to be read aloud before the proper authority. Only then will a reader's card, complete with picture ID, be issued.

We spent most of our time in Oxford and in libraries associated with the university. Over 100 libraries operate with no one administrative body; individual libraries are often independently run. Most of the university libraries we visited were "Bodleian dependent" or attached to the Bodleian in some way. Each college within the university has its own library and may have also libraries devoted to a particular discipline (known as "faculty" libraries). Seminar participants toured one of each of these and listened to a presentation by the appropriate librarian.

Many participants, myself included, were continually struck by the age of the buildings and institutions. When the Bodleian went to an online system, the library building had to be rewired. This meant drilling through medieval stone floors. When the cataloging department was automated, staff switched from hand writing slips that were pasted into book catalogues, to computers—with no intermediate steps, not even an electric typewriter.

It also sounded odd to American ears to listen to rare book librarians describe how priceless volumes had been added to the collection as new books. I paged through a book published over 100 years ago that I had not been able to locate on OCLC at home. It was in the regular collection, but the pages had never been cut. I suspect that I may have been the first person to look at it since it had been put on the shelf. The Bodleian doesn't discard anything and is still chagrined about the fact that an earlier librarian had tossed out the first edition of Shakespeare's works because it had been superseded by a later edition.

We visited the Rhodes House Library where, among other things, British colonial document collections are kept. During his presentation, the librarian mentioned that the United States government documents collection was going to be moved because of space considerations. It seemed strange to think of the *Congressional Record* as being part of the colonial collection, but it is another example of how the two countries view time. Two hundred years is not very long in a country that traces its lineage back to 1066 and beyond. The seminar also

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visited the Oxford Polytechnic Library, the Oxford City Library (located in a shopping mall), the Cairnes Library at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, the University of Warwick Library, the British Library, and the library at Charlchote Park, an estate donated to the National Trust and now open to the public.

As an academic reference librarian, it was reassuring and distressing to hear my British colleagues voice the same day-to-day problems that I experience: an entire class is assigned to read the same book with no advance warning to the library; insufficient staff and salaries; complicated library assignments given with no preparation for finding the answer, and the dreaded scavenger hunt. The libraries we visited were most gracious about sharing copies of pathfinders and handouts, which were very similar to the ones I prepare and see in other American libraries. Perhaps this can be taken as a sign that we are all doing it correctly. My British counterparts seem to pride themselves, as do I, on their approachability and service orientation.

Some of the visible differences between US and UK libraries include subject access, use of student workers, and reference service. Most of the libraries we visited did not have a subject card catalog or provide subject access—and this was not seen as a particular problem. Some libraries had title keyword access, which was considered sufficient. Students in college libraries were expected to know the book they were looking for by author, or if title access were possible, by title. Some libraries had a detailed outline of the classification system (in open stack libraries, this was usually the Dewey Decimal system) available for people. They could find the call number for the subject they wanted and then browse the stacks. Some libraries did have online catalogs similar to those in the states, complete with subject access, but they seemed the exception rather than the rule.

College libraries in England do not employ student workers in the same way as college libraries in the states. For example, the Bodleian, which is a closed stack library, does not hire students to retrieve books. Our tour guide told us that 60% of the population in Britain does not receive any formal education over the age of sixteen. This segment of the population does most of the work that students do here in the US. On a tour of one of the college libraries, the librarian showing us around said that she didn't think students could understand the complicated online circulation system. Staff always serviced the circulation desk. Another library hired mostly young women with children for four-hour shifts to do the shelving.

One might think that with the limited access, reference desks would be swamped with questions. This is not the case. In fact, there is some ambivalence about the provision of reference service. When the British

Museum library opened a service desk, one staff member said, "You'll only encourage them." The college librarians involved in reference do offer some bibliographic instruction, but not to the extent that college librarians offer in the states.

Public librarians in Britain have been facing some of the same problems as their American counterparts: shrinking budgets, decisions about whether or not to charge for some services, and how to deal with new media such as videotapes. However, British librarians have been facing some problems that would make the average American librarian shudder. Many public libraries have been merged with other public services into *Departments of Leisure and the Arts*. In other words, a library director may also be in charge of concession stands at the beach. This is not the sort of situation that most of us would envy. Fundraising is another topic that has become popular, or at least necessary, in library circles in Britain.

Cooperative collection development is a hot topic in British libraries, especially among the five *copyright deposit* libraries, each of which receives a copy of every book printed in the United Kingdom. Some question exists about whether or not five libraries need to keep a copy of each and every paperback romance novel or motorcycle maintenance manual published. One school of thought promotes regional collections. For instance, it would make sense for the Scottish copyright library to exhaustively collect Scottish local history and other libraries to do so selectively.

Two other examples of cooperative services struck me as being quite ingenious. One of the speakers discussed the public libraries' services to immigrant communities. When touring the Oxford City Library, one example of this was pointed out. A company in Birmingham collects works in foreign languages and then circulates them to libraries on a subscription basis. At the Oxford City Library, 100 books in a particular language are kept for a set period of time and then exchanged for another set of 100. In this way, readers of that language have access to reading material without placing an undue strain on the library's budget. Our tour guide said that some patrons make a point of reading all 100 books in the time period provided. Sets of play scripts, with one script per character plus one for the director, are available as well in public libraries. This service allows community and school theater groups to vary their repertoire from year to year.

In all tours, excursions, and lectures, we were treated graciously and taken seriously. In fact, during our visit to the University of Warwick, the newly-hired library director sat in on the presentations to the seminar group in order to learn more about the library he would be managing. The Library Association hosted a reception for the seminar on our day in London, and we were

addressed by the association's president. We were served tea by the librarian emeritus of All Soul's College and serenaded by the Bodleian's in-house choir, the Bodley Blackbirds. I am told that they sing only once a year—to welcome the Oklahoma seminar group. Quite a few other Bodleian staff members came to hear them. In all places and by all people, we were treated as guests.

Two events crystallized British culture for me. On our way to London, our bus was stuck in traffic. I turned to look at the cars in the next lane, also at a dead stop. One of the drivers turned off his car, got out, climbed into the back seat, and began rummaging around for a road map. When he located it, he got back in the driver's seat and started the car. While he was doing this, the cars in front of him had moved on, but none of the drivers in back of him so much as honked. I turned to one of my colleagues who had also observed the incident. "Can you

imagine what would happen if you did that in the US?" I asked. "You would probably be shot," was the reply. Yet, to balance this, three people were shot on a train station platform in Lichfield the day before I left England. Authorities blamed the shootings on the IRA. It seemed to me that these two incidents epitomized the best and worst of British life.

Seeing how libraries function in another culture, even one very similar to my own, was a very refreshing and enlightening experience. It enabled me to look at American libraries with a slightly different view. Even though the seminar lasted only two weeks, the planning and organization involved allowed me to gain a new perspective. I would highly recommend the seminar to anyone interested in international librarianship, those interested in but not quite sure about doing an exchange, or those simply interested in a change of pace. Besides, Basil Blackwell throws a great party.

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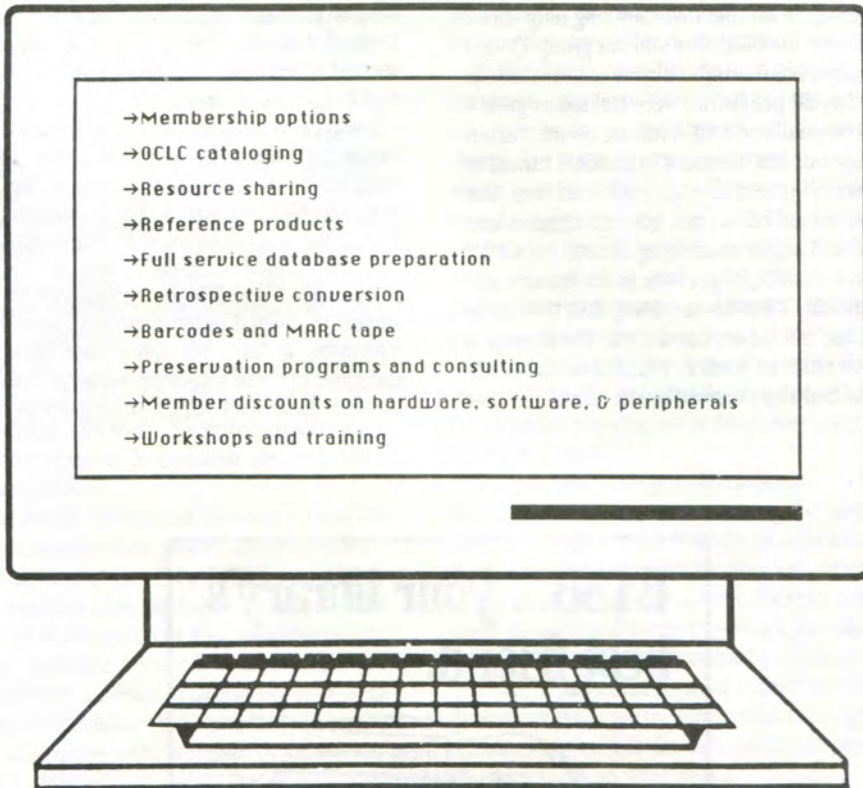
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Spotlight: The Americans with Disabilities Act

Dennis Norlin

Some causes rate a day's observance, some a week, and some have a whole month devoted to them. During the 1980s, however, the American Library Association decided to devote an entire decade to studying the needs and wants of the disabled. Formed as a special committee of ASCLA (the Association of State and Cooperative Library Agencies), the Decade of the Disabled Committee has sought to raise librarians' interest in and awareness of the responsibilities and opportunities libraries have in serving the needs of persons with disabilities. The committee presented a wide variety of programs at ALA conventions during the 1980s. At the summer 1990 convention in Chicago, the Decade of the Disabled Committee presented Kids on the Block, a Washington-based puppet troop widely known for its ability to help children and adults learn about many different disabilities by interviewing representative puppets. The use of puppets serves to break down the barriers that usually inhibit the non-disabled in their encounters with the disabled.

Librarians have devoted some resources and attention to the disabled ever since the Boston Public Library opened its department for the blind in 1868. Significant milestones in library services for the disabled include the 1931 Pratt-Smoot Act that established the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, the 1966 appropriation of LSCA funds to help state libraries serve the blind and physically handicapped, and the 1973 Public Law 94:142, the Education of All Handicapped Persons Act. Not until the 1980s, however, did libraries really begin to take seriously their obligation to the disabled. Large print and talking books, wheelchair access to library facilities, and home delivery services all became part of most public libraries' missions and outreach.

During the period of the committee's existence, the general public has gradually become aware of the barriers that had been consciously and unconsciously erected for people with disabilities—barriers that could be surmounted with new technology, new attitudes, and public determination. At the forefront of progress, of course, are the people most affected by those barriers—people with disabilities. From lobbying Congress to producing television shows, people with disabilities have demanded and assumed their rightful place as full and equal partners in business and industry, education and politics, and, in libraries.

Nineteen-ninety began a new era—the decade of the

ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act). Passed overwhelmingly by a huge bipartisan majority in both houses of Congress, the ADA was signed into law by President Bush July 26, 1990. Designed to "provide a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities" and "to invoke the sweep of congressional authority, including the power to enforce the 14th Amendment, and to regulate commerce, in order to address the major areas of discrimination faced day-to-day by people with disabilities" (Rovner 1990, 2347), ADA has become a source of apprehension for most librarians and near-terror for some. Will every librarian have to learn sign language? Will libraries have to hire people who are mentally ill? Will library bookmobiles have to be redesigned to accommodate wheelchairs?

Sunday, June 30, 1991, at the ALA convention in Atlanta, the Decade of the Disabled Committee will present a program that will offer librarians an opportunity to examine the latest adaptive technology available, to learn about successful library programs for the disabled, and to hear from a panel of distinguished speakers who happen to be library users with disabilities. Panel members will include Bob Doeseckle, an investigator for the Office for Civil Rights, Department of Education, and an avid library user who is visually impaired; Ted Drazuk, from the staff of IBM's National Support Center for Persons with Disabilities and an active library patron who uses a wheelchair, and Lee Ann Pendergrass, Director of Project MENTOR, a new program designed to utilize the skills of persons with disabilities who are proficient with various equipment and technology to teach others who are not. Lee Ann works directly with many libraries and is hearing impaired.

A Vendor Fair will highlight products from companies that manufacture and develop adaptive equipment. A newly-released videotape *People First: Serving and Employing People with Disabilities* will feature successful library programs developed in Maryland, Illinois, and Arizona.

Vendors that have adaptive equipment for library use, library users with a disability, librarians who are responsible for or concerned about library services for the disabled, personnel officers responsible for hiring library employees, and people who just want to learn more about this Decade of the Disabled Program should contact Dr. Dennis Norlin, Undergraduate Library, University of Illinois, 1402 West Gregory, Urbana, Illinois 61801.

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Mississippi hosts children's lit conference

The annual conference of the International Children's Literature Association will be held May 30-June 2, 1991 in Hattiesburg, MS. Author Richard Peck will be the keynote speaker, and the theme will be "The Image of the Child." For information, contact Dee Jones, University of Southern Mississippi, Box 5148, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5148.

Libraries in Transition — NC Conference

The Librarians' Association at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (LAUNC-CH) has announced a program which will examine the changing role of the library in a technologically rich society.

The one day conference, "Libraries in Transition: Meeting the Needs of the Future Today," scheduled for Monday, March 11, 1991, will provide participants with a forum for the exploration of on-going changes in information technology and its impact on the library of today.

Among the topics addressed will be: information sharing in the Triangle, the changing organizational structure of libraries and the merging roles of public and technical services librarians, and the automated workstation and the "technostress" associated with an automated environment.

Conference registration: \$25.00 for LAUNC-CH members and UNC-CH SPA library staff; \$35.00 for non-LAUNC-CH members; and \$20.00 for students and retirees. After February 20, 1991, a late registration fee of \$5.00 will be added.

For further information contact Ruthann McTyre, Music Library, CB# 3320, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3320 Telephone: (919) 966-1113; E-mail: rmc tyre@unc.bitnet

Waves of the Future Conference Set

"Waves of the Future," North Carolina Community College Learning Resources Association (NCCCLRA)'s, 18th Annual Conference, will be held March 21 and 22, 1991 in Atlantic Beach.

The conference is aimed at librarians, learning lab coordinators, media/AV technicians, guided studies coordinators, and video and teleconference coordinators.

For additional information, contact: Penny Sermons, Librarian, Beaufort County Community College, P.O. Box 1069, Washington, NC 27889, (919) 946-6194, ext. 243.

PLA postconference to focus on youth services

A postconference titled "Youth Services: Managing to Make a Difference" will be presented March 23-24, 1991, following the Public Library Association (PLA) National Conference in San Diego.

The postconference is sponsored by the Association for Library Services to Children (ALSC), the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) and the Young Adult Services Division (YASD) of the American Library Association. Presenters for the institute are Mary Somerville, youth services administrator, Miami-Dade Public Library System, Fla., and Vivian Wynn, region manager, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio. Both are recognized leaders in youth services with many years of library experience.

The presentations will explore key factors in successful management of youth services. Attendees will view video segments highlighting exemplary library programs for youth nationwide and will develop individual action plans. Youth librarians, library directors, middle managers and librarians serving youth in small libraries are invited.

For further information write ALA/ALSC, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. (Telephone: 312-280-2163 or 1-800-545-2163, ext. 5038.)

Library support staff project seeks input

The ALA Standing Committee on Library Education (SCOLE) and the Office for Library Personnel Resources (OLPR) Advisory Committee seek assistance with a new year-long project addressing issues related to the education and staffing of library support personnel.

The project will include development of a "casebook" characterizing the status of library support staff issues, focus group interviews with selected support staff and librarians, a preconference at the 1991 ALA Annual Conference and recommendations for fostering effective articulation and role definition of support staff. The project staff would like assistance in:

- identifying studies and research in progress, especially informal studies and in-house projects, regarding education and staffing of library support personnel;
- comments on the most pressing issues related to support staff education and personnel utilization;
- identifying support staff and professionals who would be interested in attending a preconference at the 1991 ALA Annual Conference (date still to be determined, possibly June 27 or 28).

Project staff for the 1990 World Book-ALA Goal Award project, "Research and Action Agenda for Support Professionals in Libraries," include Debbie Wolcott (coordinator), Kathleen Heim, Suzanne Mahmoodi, Kathleen Weibel and Margaret Myers (staff liaison).

If you have any information that may be useful to the project, contact Margaret Myers, ALA Office for Library Personnel Resources, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611 (312-280-4278); or Keith Ostertag, Assistant to Kathleen Heim, Louisiana University, School of Library and Information Science, Room 267 — Coates Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803 (504-388-3158).

Large Print contest still open

Friday, March 29, is the deadline for entries in the 1991 G.K. Hall Large Print Community Service Award competition. The competition awards \$1,000 to the library demonstrating creative efforts in promoting Large Print books. Two runners up will receive \$300 worth of Large Print books.

For information and an application, contact Cathy Boettjer, G.K. Hall, 70 Lincoln Street, Boston, MA 02111, or call (617) 423-3990.

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Make Electronic Connections in Florida:

FULL-DAY PRECONFERENCE

The Florida Library Association Online Searchers' and Reference Caucuses are sponsoring a joint preconference on May 7, 1991 in Orlando prior to the Association's Annual Conference. **CONNECT: A Preconference on Electronic Reference Services for Managers and Practitioners** will explore multitudinous aspects of electronic reference sources in all types of libraries. Morning presentations will focus on overviews and applications; the luncheon speaker will address technostress; afternoon concurrent sessions will investigate the impact of electronic formats on various areas, including "supercatalogs," adult learning, government documents, and CD-ROMs; and a wrap-up panel discussion featuring several major vendors will look toward the future. Poster sessions and vendor exhibits will run throughout the day, and Dutch-treat dinners will follow the program.

Registration deadline is April 15, 1991, and the fees are \$55 for FLA members; \$65 for non-members; and \$40 for library school students. For further information or for a registration form, contact Suzi Holler, Chair, CONNECT Planning Committee, University of Central Florida Library, P.O. Box 25000, Orlando, Florida 32816-0666; (407) 823-5026.

LLA Presents Literacy Forum II Pre-Conference

This two day workshop will feature educators, literacy practitioners, policy makers, and advocates from all parts of the American literacy community.

Keynote Address: "Leaders and Literacy: The Challenge Met and Unmet" will be presented by Wilma Dykeman, Tennessee State Historian, Writer in Residence of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Other pre-conference highlights include a Workplace Literacy Forum, led by Gov. Buddy Roemer, James Duffey of Capital Cities ABC-TV, and representatives from regional and national business and industry. Luncheon speaker Richard Lederer, author of *Crazy English*, *Anquished English*, and his new book *The Play of Words*, will present "Heels over Head: In Love with Language." First Lady Barbara Bush has been invited to close the Forum.

Other speakers will include: Drs. Meta Potts, Priscilla Norton, Katherine Mettelka, Larry Mikulecky, Nikki Askov, and Peggy Barber, Sue Foster, Evelyn Ganzglass, Jo Anne Ellis, Carol Cameron Lyons, and Karen Hering. Topics will range from policy making, new technology, promotions, family literacy, grant writing, and information on successful literacy programs.

This project is supported by a grant from the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, with additional assistance from the Louisiana Library Association and Louisiana Office of Literacy.

The pre-conference will be held March 12 through March 13, 1991 at the New Orleans Airport Hilton and the Pontchartrain Center. Pre-registration is only \$42 (\$40 with cash/check discount) and includes two luncheons and free entry into LLA's Conference Exhibits. Contact LLA Conference Registration, P.O. Box 7490, Metairie, LA 70010 or call (504) 342-4928.

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Waldrop is Vice-President and co-founder of the Independent Publishers Company (IPC), which distributes her books, and operates her own publishing company, Rusk, Inc. Retired from the Graduate School of Library Science at the University of Alabama, she is a longtime SELA member and recipient of the Rothrock Award.

The First Ladies Series is available from Rusk, Inc., P.O. Box 2503 (University of Alabama), Tuscaloosa, AL 35486; and through selected jobbers.

Financial Assistance Directory available

"Financial Assistance Library Education, Academic Year 1991-92" is now available from the ALA Standing Committee on Library Education (SCOLE).

The annual directory provides information on scholarships, fellowships, grants and assistantships from state library agencies and associations, educational institutions and local libraries as well as national awards.

Most listings are for programs leading to the master's degree in library science. Information is also included on undergraduate, sixth-year certificate, doctoral and continuing education programs.

Copies of the booklet are available, upon request, from SCOLE, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Telephone: 312-944-6780.

Send \$1.00 to cover postage and handling for single copies. Institutions and associations that wish multiple copies should contact SCOLE at ALA.

Kentucky newspaper list is released

A new edition of the Kentucky Union List of Newspapers is now available. The list includes records for Kentucky and out-of-state newspapers held in the state's libraries, museums, and other institutions open to the public.

The list is being made available in a microfiche format. For ordering information, contact Judy Sackett, (606) 257-3493, or Brian Throckmorton, (606) 257-8389, Kentucky Newspaper Project, M.I. King Library, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0039.

FSU lectures available

Librarianship: A Changing Profession—The Sara K. and Ted Srygley Lecture Series, Volume I is now available from the Gamma Chapter of Beta Phi Mu. The volume contains four lectures sponsored by the Srygleys to mark Sara Srygley's retirement from the faculty of Florida State University's SLIS program.

Included are "The Library Profession: A Critical View," by Edward G. Holley, "Telematics 2000: A View from the Library," by Carlton C. Rochell, "Lifelong Learning: The Challenge to Libraries," by Miriam A. Drake, and "Celebrating an Anniversary (The 40th Anniversary of the School of Library and Information Studies)," by Sara K. Srygley.

The volume is available for \$12.00 from Gamma Chapter, Beta Phi Mu, School of Library and Information Studies, Louis Shores Building, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306.

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The quinquennial publication, *Official Publications, List of Public Documents of Louisiana, 1985-1989*, has been issued by the Recorder of Documents, according to Tom Jaques, State Librarian. It is Volume Eight of the series, which provides 186 years of bibliographic coverage for Louisiana documents. *Official Publications* is the cumulation of *Public Documents, Nos. 72-80*, and shipping lists July-December 1989. *Official Publications* supersedes *Public Documents*. It is distributed to all state documents depositories, Louisiana parish libraries, and other state libraries. Others wishing to obtain a copy should contact Recorder of Documents, Louisiana State Library, P.O. Box 131, Baton Rouge, LA, telephone (504) 342-4929.

PEOPLE

Vivian Achee has been named Gonzales Branch head at the Ascension Parish (LA) Library. □ Pamela Ashley is now Director of Library Services at E.A. Conway Memorial Hospital in Monroe, LA. □ Sharilynn Aucoin has resigned as Executive Director of the Louisiana Library Association, a post she had held since 1985. □ Janet Azelkas is now an Information Services Librarian at the Richland County (SC) Public Library. □ Charles E. Beard, Director of Libraries at West Georgia College, has been named chair of ALA's John Cotton Dana Awards Committee for 1990-91. □ Bonna Boettcher is the new Glasgow Campus Librarian at Western Kentucky University. □ Richard Colquette, Assistant Director of Noel Memorial Library at Louisiana State University, Shreveport, has retired after 25½ years of service in the LSU system. □ Angela Cook has joined the South Carolina State Library as Public Information Specialist. □ Dr. Charles Czaiski has been named Assistant Librarian at Maysville Community College Library in Kentucky. □ Mickey Duvall is now Reference Librarian and Government Documents Coordinator at the University of Southern Mississippi. □ Carmen Embry has joined the University of Louisville Libraries as a Reference Librarian. □ Lucille Fitzpatrick has retired as Library Director at Spalding University in Kentucky. □ Melissa Forsyth has been named Assistant Librarian at Prestonsburg (KY) Community College Library. □ Richard Frees is now Head Librarian at Mid-Continent Baptist College in Kentucky. □ Ralph Gabbard is now Systems Librarian at Southeastern Louisiana University. □ Dr. John N. Gathegi has joined the faculty of Florida State University's SLIS program. A graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, Dr. Gathegi's research and teaching interests include international and national information policy, special libraries, and records management. □ Doris Geoghegan is now Head of Technical Services at the University of Louisville Law Library. □ Virginia Gwaltney has been named a Public Services Librarian at McNeese State University in Louisiana. □ Mary Hawley, Acquisitions Librarian at Berea College in Kentucky, has retired. □ JoAnn Hemond has joined the Charleston County (SC) Public Library, as a cataloger. □ Charles James has been appointed Media Librarian at Lexington (KY) Community

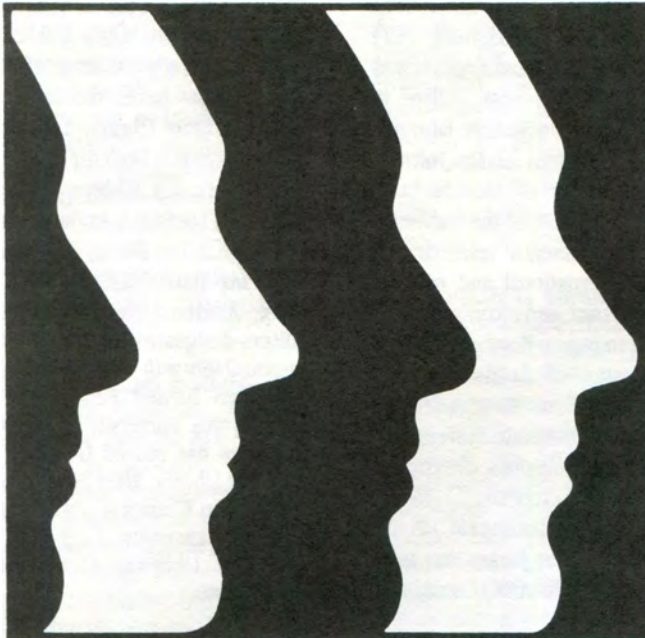
College Library. □ Angela Jones has been named Reference/Catalog Librarian at the University of Southern Mississippi. □ Gail R. Lazenby, previously Assistant Director of the Cobb County (GA) Public Library System, has been named Director. □ Roberta Lee is now Catalog Librarian at the Richland County (SC) Public Library. She previously served as Librarian of the Northeast Branch. □ Bertha R. Livingstone has retired from Duke University, where she served as Biology-Forestry Librarian. □ Carol Mars is now Manager, Vancleave Branch at the Jackson-George Regional Library. □ Connie McCarthy, Assistant University Librarian at Duke University, now serves as chair of the editorial board at *Choice*. □ Margo Mead has been appointed as Assistant Professor/Reference Librarian at the University of Alabama, Huntsville. □ Mary H. Molinaro has joined the faculty at the University of Kentucky Libraries, as Reference Librarian. □ Othelia Moore of Pendleton County (KY) Public Library received the 1990 Margaret F. Willis Outstanding Library Service Award from the Kentucky Library Association. □ Linda Morrisett is now Circulation Services Supervisor at the Western Kentucky University Libraries. □ Adil Razeeg is now Engineering Library Librarian at the University of Kentucky. □ Janice Simpson is now Director of the Cullman County (AL) Public Library. □ Virginia Smith, formerly Director of the Audubon Regional Library, now heads the Louisiana Collection at the Louisiana State Library. □ Arturo Torres has been named Associate Director of the University of Louisville Law Library. □ Roblyn Walker has joined the State Library of Louisiana, in the reference and bibliography section. □ Dr. Danny P. Wallace, Associate Dean of Louisiana State's SLIS program, and Dr. Connie Van Fleet, Assistant Professor, have been appointed co-editors-designate of *RQ*. They will assume full editorial responsibility with the Fall 1991 issue. □ Greg Wiecek has been named Technical Services Librarian at Transylvania University Library in Kentucky. □ Julie Williams has retired from the Jackson-George (MS) Regional Library, after 21 years as Vancleave Librarian. □ Marian Winner is now Library Director at Northern Kentucky University. □ Janet Young is now Science Reference Librarian at the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

PEOPLE

DEATHS

Robert G. Clapp, Professor Emeritus in the School of Library and Information Studies at Florida State University, died Oct. 24, 1990. He was appointed to the faculty as Assistant Dean when the library school was founded in 1947, and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1972. He received his professional degree in librarianship from the George Peabody College for Teachers in 1939, and worked at Vanderbilt and the Joint University Libraries in Nashville before joining the FSU faculty. Memorials may be made to the FSU Foundation, designated for the Robert G. Clapp Memorial Scholarship Fund (SLIS). □ **Lelia B. Cochran Clark**, former editor of *Mississippi Library News* (now *Mississippi Libraries*), died July 19, 1990. She served as editor of the journal from 1960-1971. □ **Elizabeth B. Foran**, former Coordinator of Library Services for the Columbia (S.C.) Public School System, died Oct. 19, 1990. A graduate of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, she also served as assistant librarian and director of children's services at the Richland County Public Library. After her retirement in 1983, she was sent by the State Department to Western Africa, where she

worked to develop media services in schools there. Active in SELA, she also served as president of the South Carolina Library Association. □ **Roberta Irene Glaus**, Library Director for the United Paperworkers International Union in Nashville, died September 19, 1990. She previously served as Associate Library Director and Associate Professor at Tennessee State University. Glaus was active in SELA and the Tennessee Library Association, and served on the Local Arrangements Committee for the Nashville conference until shortly before her death. □ **Margaret Gueymard**, East Baton Rouge (LA) Parish Library director from its establishment in 1939 until 1946, and assistant librarian from 1946 until her retirement in 1974, has died. She was also an instructor in the library school at Louisiana State University. □ **Dr. Ellis E. Tucker**, formerly Director of the Department of Library Science at the University of Mississippi, died November 6, 1990. A longtime SELA member, Dr. Tucker served as associate editor and later editor of *The Southeastern Librarian*. After the closing of UM's library school, Dr. Tucker served as a law research librarian at the School of Law. He was named Professor Emeritus shortly before his death.



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ALABAMA



NAAL Database Tops 7 Million

The Network of Alabama Academic Libraries (NAAL) held a special reception October 17 at Samford University's Harwell G. Davis Library to celebrate the addition of the last record to its online database. The shared, statewide database, begun in 1984 and maintained on OCLC, now identifies more than seven million volumes held by NAAL's general member institutions.

The last record entered was the first book printed in the state: *A Journal of the Legislative Council of the Alabama Territory*, printed in 1818 by Thomas Eastin.

NAAL began with 17 charter members six years ago. Today there are 20 general members and six cooperative members. Dr. Sue Medina is the director of the Montgomery-based organization. NAAL is an active participant in SOLINET's Resource Sharing & Network Support Group.

Civil War returns to Birmingham

A Civil War Re-enactment intrigued patrons of Birmingham Public Library's Springville Road branch. An authentic campsite, complete with "soldiers" in period costume, depicted every phase of military life in that era. Patrons toured the camp, talking with the soldiers and learning about this important period in American history.



A "Confederate Soldier" loads his rifle while explaining the procedure to those present during the re-enactment of the Civil War at Birmingham Public Library.



Librarian of the Year

Dr. Sue Medina (center) received the 1990 Librarian of the Year Award from the Alabama Chapter of Beta Phi Mu. Medina is the second recipient of this award which is presented annually to an individual who is an exceptional leader in librarianship. Also shown are Dr. Bill Nelson, the outgoing president of the chapter, and Linda Cohen, incoming president.

FLORIDA



Broward campaign wins again

Broward County Library has been selected as a winner of the 1990 Clarion Award, presented annually by Women in Communications, Inc. The library won in the onetime public relations campaign category, for its "1989 Year of the Reader: Love Me, Read to Me" campaign, which had already received a John Cotton Dana Award.

The library promotional campaign was a yearlong public awareness effort promoting reading and libraries in Broward County. As part of the project, an annual Children's Reading Festival has been established. Use of children's materials and services at Broward County branches has increased as well.

Library public information officer Donna Grubman accepted the award at WIC's National Conference in Las Vegas.

Curriculum revised at FSU

A revamping of the curriculum at Florida State University's SLIS program will include the creation of a new area of specialization—the Information System Specialist track.

This course of study will prepare students who wish to work in non-traditional settings. According to Dr. F. William Summers, dean of the SLIS program, "The new concentration in Information Systems Specialist will permit the school to respond to the increasing number

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of organizations which need our assistance in managing their resources. Many of these organizations have relatively large collections of information sources, but they do not function as a library."

The curriculum revision will be implemented this spring.

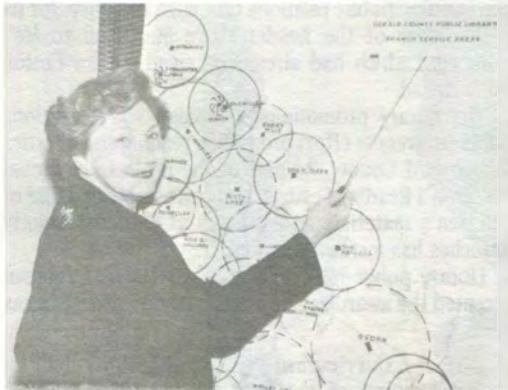
GEORGIA



Longtime directors retire

The directors of three large public systems have announced their retirements in recent months.

Mary Louise Rhey, Director of the Cobb County Library System since 1975, retired in December 1990. She had previously been affiliated with the Atlanta Fulton Public Library, beginning as a clerical worker in the children's department in the summer of 1941. After serving as that system's Assistant Director for 12 years, beginning in 1963, she moved to Cobb during "a period of tremendous growth." Under her directorship, library space in the county grew from approximately 77,000 square feet to 158,000 square feet. Circulation continues to climb, with a yearly total which surpassed 2 million in 1990. Miss Rhey's successor as Cobb County library director will be Gail Lazenby, Assistant Director since 1983.



Barbara Loar

Barbara Loar, Director of DeKalb County Public since 1982, also retired recently. A finalist in *Library Journal's* "Librarian of the Year" contest last year, Loar led the DeKalb system through a successful \$29 million bond referendum for new libraries in 1986. Under her leadership, the DeKalb system also developed new

avenues for library service, with the creation of the first library in a rapid transit station and the provision of service to children in the county's homeless shelters. Before becoming Director, she had been Assistant Director in DeKalb since 1971.

John Shelton, who has served as Lake Lanier Regional Library's Director since 1978, retired in early 1991. Mr. Shelton, a graduate of Florida State University, has overseen automation of this system (which includes Gwinnett, Forsyth, and Dawson Counties), as well as the passage of a \$16 million bond referendum in 1986 which led to the construction of 8 new libraries. During his tenure, library usage in the rapidly growing Gwinnett County increased from 10% of the population to 35%.

KENTUCKY



Louisville is "City of Readers"

Louisville has been chosen as the second city in the U.S. to participate in Reading is Fundamental's nationwide program to promote reading. The "City of Readers" campaign is funded by RIF, Inc., through a \$100,000 grant from the General Electric Foundation. The program's goals are to increase the amount of reading done by young people, to improve their attitude toward reading, and to raise public awareness of the value of reading. Organizers hope to mobilize businesses, local government, and the news media—as well as schools and libraries—to make reading a priority for residents of the Louisville-Jefferson County area.

MISSISSIPPI



Depository libraries test online project

Federal depository libraries statewide spent the second half of 1990 participating in a pilot project sponsored by the Government Printing Office to test use of the Commerce Department's Economic Bulletin Board (EBB). The purpose of the project was to test the implications of providing online depository access to government information. Users at 12 libraries throughout Mississippi were offered free access to the more than 400 files available on EBB, through searches done by library staff or as end-users.

Information available through the system included statistics relating to national income, general economic

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trade opportunities, and regional economic statistics. News releases from the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, among others, were available within 30 minutes.

Project sponsors were interested in gathering data on type of users, training methods, staff labor involved, and total costs. Users were asked to evaluate the project in terms of ease of access and usefulness of information obtained.

"Curious George" papers donated

The de Grummond Children's Literature Research Collection at the University of Southern Mississippi has been given a number of original manuscripts and illustrations from the "Curious George" series of children's books. Margret Rey, wife of the late H. A. Rey, co-creator of the series, donated materials from 23 of the couple's publications.

A National Endowment for the Humanities grant of \$267,000 has also been awarded to the collection, and will fund processing of the papers of 85 notable authors and illustrators whose original manuscripts and illustrations are held in the USM collection.

Peggy May/MLA Scholarship awarded

Shirley J. Moore, assistant librarian at Greenville High School, has been named as the first recipient of the Peggy May/MLA Scholarship. This scholarship was established by the Mississippi Library Association to honor Peggy Jane May, a dedicated library professional whose life was cut tragically short in 1974.

Moore received a B.S. degree from the University of Mississippi and a library science certificate from Delta State University. She enjoys her present position as an assistant librarian because she likes to "acquire new knowledges as well as sharing in the educating of . . . young minds . . ." Moore, a mother of five children, is also very active in parent-teacher-student associations.

Moore said this scholarship will enable her to reach the goal of earning a master's degree in library science. Her previous experience has convinced her that becoming a professional librarian is her "calling." She is currently enrolled at the University of Southern Mississippi School of Library Science.

Memorial contributions are still being received for the Peggy May/MLA Scholarship Fund. Donations are welcome and may be mailed to: Mississippi Library Association, P.O. Box 20448, Jackson, MS 39289-1448.

NORTH CAROLINA



N.C. library wins Library Card Sign-up Contest

The Pactolus Elementary School Library, Greenville,

N.C., topped all other entries in the American Library Association's (ALA) second annual "Sign Me Up" contest, sponsored in cooperation with World Book, Inc.

Librarian Debra Kornegay reported a whopping 354 percent increase in card holders during Library Card Sign-up Month in September.

As first-prize winner with the highest percentage increase in card holders, the library will receive a \$1,000 certificate from World Book.

Kornegay said she polled the school's 1st through 5th grade students to see who already had a public library card and put those students' names on a hall poster with the message "Kids who read succeed." She then passed out registration forms to all students, hand delivering many of the forms to the Sheppard Memorial Public Library for processing.

"I passed out the new cards and 'Read. Succeed.' bookmarks so the kids would know they were something special," Kornegay explained. "At assembly, we took special note of all the new card holders."

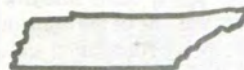
Librarians as mentors

Ten members of the North Carolina State University Libraries staff took part in the school's new Freshman Experience program this past fall. Reference librarians Bryna Coonin and Cynthia Levine were among the instructors for the Freshman Experience Seminar, a one-credit hour course taken by 350 freshmen, while eight other library staffers participated in the Adult Mentor program, which teams faculty and staff members with freshmen to provide new students with a "real life" perspective on University life and the surrounding community.

"Circ's Up" at WCU

Western Carolina University's Hunter Library marked the debut of its online circulation system with a promotional campaign built around the theme "Circ's Up." Fliers, newspaper ads, and radio spots reminded patrons that "without your I.D., check-out is a wipe-out."

TENNESSEE



Knox County automates

Knox County Public Library has contracted with the Unisys Corporation for an automated circulation and catalog system.

The library's collection of over 700,000 items will be barcoded, and computer catalogs installed in its 18 branches. According to Library Director Patricia Watson, automation will not only improve patrons' access to

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circulation information, but will also enable the library system to handle increasing volume of business without increasing the circulation staff.

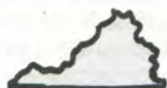
The total cost of the system will be approximately \$95,000, with installation expected to take about 5 months. Knox County will be the second major metropolitan area public library in Tennessee to install an automated system, following in the footsteps of the Memphis/ Shelby County Public Library.

Serials Union List still growing

The Tennessee Union List of Serials Project, funded by the Tennessee State Library and Archives, continues to grow, with 65 libraries participating as of summer 1990. Launched in 1986, the project has yielded four hard copy editions thus far, the most recent one containing 29,233 titles held around the state.

Participating libraries have reported increased ILL activity since the first edition of the List was released in November 1988. One small library reported receiving its first ILL requests ever. Another participating library called the project "one of the most significant and useful bibliographic projects ever undertaken in Tennessee."

VIRGINIA



Kirby Foundation gives gift to the Virginia State Library Foundation

The Virginia State Library Foundation has received a \$5,000 gift from the F. M. Kirby Foundation, Inc., in Morristown, New Jersey as an expression of support for the work of the State Library Foundation.

The F.M. Kirby Foundation is a family foundation, established in 1931 by Fred Morgan Kirby in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania and managed by successive generations of his family. Grants usually are reflective of the personal interest of one or more family members who are, or have been active in the affairs of the Foundation.

Mrs. James Lewis Kirby, Jr. of Claremont in Surry County was one of the founding directors of the Virginia State Library Foundation and served as a director from 1985 through 1989.

The Virginia State Library Foundation, established in 1985, operates in connection with and exclusively for the benefit of the Virginia State Library and Archives. It administers gifts, grants, and bequests for the State Library and promotes, encourages, and supports the activities of the State Library.

Gifts from the Library Foundation have consisted of rare books and prints for the Virginiana collection, maps and documents for the Archives, and special materials,

early census and vital statistic records for the Genealogy Room. The State Library is working to strengthen its genealogy collection from reference status to research status. Among the major concerns of the Foundation is preservation and conservation of the priceless holdings of the Virginia State Library and Archives.

Fire Damages Arlington Courthouse; VSLA assists in recovery

On May 20, 1990 David Bell, clerk of the circuit court of Arlington County contacted State Archivist Louis Manarin for assistance in recovering from a fire at the Arlington County courthouse. Dr. Manarin dispatched Richard Harrington, assistant state archivist for information imaging, and Glenn Smith, library assistant, to Arlington to coordinate the recovery process.

Arlington's courthouse is located in an eight story high-rise with the clerk's office on the fourth floor. No fire alarm or fire suppression systems existed due to cost, the age of the building, existence of asbestos, and plans for a new facility. The fire was discovered early Sunday morning when smoke was spotted coming from the building.

Fire enveloped half of the clerk's office before being put out by the Fire Department. In their zeal to contain the fire, fire fighters threw out of the broken windows approximately 15,000 smoldering ended chancery and criminal case files which once outside were soaked with water. Upon investigation these files proved unsalvageable. Another 10,000 files were burned partially but were salvageable. Most of the volumes of deeds, wills, orders, and indexes survived.

Harrington and Smith made recommendations to the clerk on the cleanup and recovery process which included obtaining outside disaster recovery services. When asbestos contamination was discovered recovery slowed considerably. All equipment and film that were part of the procedural recording process in the clerk's office will have to be destroyed due to asbestos contamination. Possible PCB contamination from a leaking transformer is suspected also.

As part of the Virginia State Library and Archives' security microfilming of vital records, all camera negative microfilm is stored in Richmond. This film is being reproduced so as to get the land title portion of the clerk's office operational. When the process is completed, approximately 1200 reels of microfilm will have been copied and made available for public use in Arlington County Circuit Court Clerk's office. Part of the duplicate film has been delivered to the clerk's office and, once again, titles to real property can be searched in Arlington County.

Robert N. Baldwin, executive secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia, aided in the disaster recovery by helping to have the on-line computer reinstalled in the clerk's office. With the assistance of the Virginia State Library and Archives and the Supreme Court, the clerk's office was back in operation within a week of the disaster.

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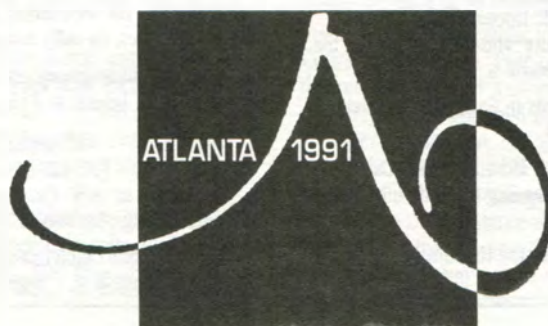
Atlanta Committee Plans 110th ALA Conference

For several months now members of the 1991 Atlanta Local Arrangements Committee have been very busy meeting and planning to make ALA's 110th Annual Conference (June 27-July 4, 1991) in Atlanta a first class event. John Hilinski of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library chairs the 1991 Atlanta Local Arrangements Committee and reports that plans are proceeding very well, especially since the Atlanta local community is very enthusiastic about hosting ALA's annual conference—ALA has not met in Atlanta since 1899!

The 1991 Atlanta ALA Local Arrangements Committee is working closely with ALA's Chicago Conference Services staff and President Richard M. Dougherty to plan conference events and programs; the committee is also responsible for promoting the conference nationally.

The 1991 ALA Local Arrangements Committee consists of public, academic and school media librarians from the Atlanta metropolitan area and comprised of nine subcommittees whose membership includes the following:

- (1) **All Conference Reception Subcommittee:** Chair, Laurie Chase, Dekalb County Public Library. Members: Carolyn Smith, Dalton Public Library and Anne Haywood, Dekalb County Public Library.
- (2) **Fun Run Subcommittee:** Chair, David Anderson, Georgia State University Library. Members: Patricia E. Latch, Cobb County Public Library and Stanley L. Verhoeven, Georgia State University Library.
- (3) **President's Dance Subcommittee:** Chair, Carol Stewart, Clayton County Public Library. Members: Linda Springer, Georgia Division of Public Library Services; Angie Stuckey, Dekalb County Public Library; Elizabeth Curry, SOLINET; and Betsy Durden, Clayton County Public Library.
- (4) **Inaugural Banquet Subcommittee:** Chair, Luella Davis, Emory University Library; and member Marie Nitscke, Emory University Library.
- (5) **Media Relations Subcommittee:** Chair, Charles Beard, West Georgia College Library. Members: Carol Goodson, Clayton County Public Library; Barbara Rogers, Dekalb County Public Library; Rhoda Russell, Lake Lanier Regional Library; and Donnie Griffin, Cobb County Public Library.
- (6) **Child Care Subcommittee:** Chair, Nancy B. Clark, Clarkston High School Library, Dekalb County Public Schools.
- (7) **Tours Subcommittee:** Chair, Steve Bedworth, Cobb County Public Library, Members: David Evans, Kennesaw College Library; Julie Hunter, Dekalb County Public Library; Virginia Browne, Cobb County Public Library; and Colleen Harris, Cobb County Public Library.
- (8) **Local Information Subcommittee:** Chair, David L. Searcy, Atlanta-Fulton Public Library. Members: Carol Jones, Georgia State University Library; Jean Hudgins, Georgia Institute of Technology Library; and Cynthia Smith Chandler, Dekalb County Public Library.
- (9) **Hospitality Subcommittee:** Chair, Mercuria C. Williams, Media Resources, Atlanta City Schools. Members: Joyce Mills, Southern College of Technology Library; Chris Brockmar, Clayton State College; Cherrie Bonner, Atlanta City Schools; Barbara Cade, Atlanta City Schools-Retired; and Eleanor Pemberton, Atlanta-Fulton Public Library.



Special Room Block For SELA Members ALA in Atlanta, 1991

SELA has arranged special housing for members attending the ALA Conference in Atlanta in July. This simply offers an alternative for those not wishing to stay in the downtown area and a chance to see a little more of your fellow southeastern librarians. A cash bar reception, open to all SELA members, will be held at the Terrace Garden Inn one evening during the convention.

These hotels are located in the heart of Buckhead, Atlanta's prestigious shopping and entertainment district. Situated across the street from Lenox Square and one block from Phipps Plaza, they are also one block from MARTA, Atlanta's rapid transit system. MARTA provides quick easy access directly to the Central Business District, World Congress Center (site of the exhibit area), mid-town arts center, and Underground Atlanta. The train also goes directly to the airport.

A free shuttle is available to the fine restaurants and clubs in the Buckhead area within a two mile radius. MARTA also has late trains for those staying late downtown.

Terrace Garden Inn and Lenox Inn are next door to each other and share some common amenities. Terrace Garden Inn features two restaurants, a large lounge, and a state of the art Swim and Racquet Center with indoor tennis, racquetball, swimming pool, whirlpool, Nautilus equipment, steamroom and sauna. It also offers complimentary security-monitored covered parking, concierge service, and handicapped accessible rooms. The room rates will be \$89 for a single, \$99 for a double, \$10 for each extra person.

The smaller Lenox Inn offers complimentary continental breakfast (or full breakfast bar) and a complimentary "happy hour" with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Guests have dining privileges at the Terrace Garden Inn and free access to the Swim and Racquet Center. Both hotels have outdoor swimming areas also. Lenox Inn room rates will be \$60 for a single, \$70 for a double, and \$5.00 for each extra person.

The Ritz-Carlton Buckhead has offered us rooms at \$105.00. This provides a great opportunity to those wishing to stay in one of the very finest hotels in Atlanta at an unusually good room rate.

Our room block is for June 29-July 3. Hotel room tax is 13%. We have a limited number of rooms blocked, therefore to insure a room at one of these locations at these rates, please reserve as soon as possible. The hotel space in Atlanta for the first week in July will go very quickly.

You may copy and use one of the three reservation cards printed here. Address and phone numbers for each hotel will be found above each card. Please call the SELA office if you have any questions.

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 Company guarantee Company Name _____ Deposit enclosed

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Group And Meeting Dates

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SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Financial Report

January 1, 1989 - September 30, 1990

	1989 Budget	1990 Budget	Total Budgeted	Actual 1989	Actual 1/1-9/30/90
INCOME					
Conference, 1988	\$28,534	0	28,534	28,534.76	0
Conference, 1990	0	0	0	0	3,049.57
Interest	3,000	2,500	5,500	1,112.05	732.16
Leadership Workshop	5,000	0	5,000	4,453.50	0
Membership	27,000	27,000	54,000	21,523.50	31,711.00
Presidents' Workshop	0	1,000	1,000	0	946.50
Southeastern Librarian	14,000	14,000	28,000	12,184.61	9,501.31
Southern Books	550	550	1,100	450.00	450.00
Miscellaneous	750	750	1,500	438.57	190.52
Workshops	4,000	4,000	8,000	0	0
Publications	0	0	0	159.00	2.00
Transfer from CDs	1,466	7,453	8,919	10,000.00	6,555.18
TOTAL INCOME	84,300	57,253	141,553	78,855.99	53,138.24
EXPENDITURES					
HEADQUARTERS					
Executive Secretary	7,155	7,585	14,740	7,154.88	5,688.72
Office Manager	19,080	20,225	39,305	19,369.76	15,163.04
Clerical (Temporary)	250	250	500	0	0
FICA	1,968	2,086	4,054	2,082.88	1,595.70
Office Rent	4,625	4,625	9,250	4,554.00	3,036.00
Bookkeeping	350	350	700	347.65	264.40
Travel	500	500	1,000	0	86.85
Printing	125	125	250	150.11	241.40
Postage	1,200	1,200	2,400	589.25	869.95
Telephone	1,100	1,100	2,200	1,069.90	889.30
Supplies	750	750	1,500	543.89	404.55
Equipment Service	1,550	1,550	3,100	204.75	0
Furniture/Equipment	7,300	300	7,600	0	4,645.72
Miscellaneous	50	50	100	0	105.24
SECTIONS/ROUNDTABLES					
Library Education Section	0	100	100	0	0
Public Libraries Section	0	100	100	0	0
Ref. and Adult Serv. Section	0	100	100	0	0
Res. and Tech. Serv. Section	0	100	100	0	0
Sch. and Child. Lib. Section	0	100	100	0	0
Special Libraries Section	0	100	100	0	0
Trustees and Friends Section	0	100	100	0	0
Univ. and Coll. Section	0	100	100	0	0
Workshops	500	500	1,000	0	0
Govt. Doc. Round Table	0	100	100	0	0
Junior Members Round Table	0	100	100	0	0
Lib. Instr. Round Table	0	100	100	0	0
Online Search Libns.	0	100	100	0	0
COMMITTEES					
Award, Author	0	1,100	1,100	0	0
Award, President	0	50	50	0	0
Award, Program	0	50	50	0	0
Award, Rothrock	0	0	0	11.87	0
Conference Site	325	325	650	0	280.50
Conference, 1990	0	1,000	1,000	0	3,055.00
Handbook	0	1,000	1,000	345.60	0
Honorary Membership	0	200	200	22.97	0
Membership	2,000	1,000	3,000	2,379.84	440.04
Southern Books	1,500	1,500	3,000	708.94	585.80
Miscellaneous	250	250	500	0	0
SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARIAN					
Printing and Postage	12,500	12,500	25,000	19,705.43	16,853.37
Honorarium to Editor	1,000	1,000	2,000	750.00	750.00
Subscription Refunds	0	0	0	0	35.00
EXECUTIVE BOARD					
Leadership Workshop	3,000	0	3,000	4,491.85	0
Presidents' Workshop	0	800	800	0	859.86
President	1,350	1,350	2,700	1,517.87	300.00
GENERAL ORGANIZATION					
Ad Valorem Tax	250	250	500	91.80	91.37
Audit and Tax Preparation	400	400	800	100.00	0
Bank Charges	50	50	100	63.08	4.06
Blanket Bond	324	324	648	324.00	340.00
Corporate Tax	13	13	26	0	0
Dues	75	75	150	25.00	50.00
Insurance	350	350	700	352.00	324.00
Retirement, Off. Mgr.	2,090	2,090	4,180	2,090.00	1,567.50
Miscellaneous	750	750	1,500	182.80	15.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	72,730	68,823	141,553	69,230.12	58,542.37
SUMMARY:					
Balance, January 1, 1990	12,785.26				
Income through June 30, 1990	53,138.24				
	65,923.50				
Less Expenditures through June 30	58,542.37				
Balance, June 30, 1990	7,381.13				
Certificates of Deposit	\$10,000.00				

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- Renewal 19 _____

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\$30,001 to \$40,000	
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Additional Section/Round Table	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID	

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