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Welcome New Board Members!

David Bilyeu, Library
Director, Central Oregon
Community College and Anne
Christie, Reference Librarian
and Collection Coordinator for
Life Sciences, Oregon State
University are the newest "atlarge" members of the ACRL
Oregon Board. Paula
Hamilton, Public Services
Librarian, Mount Angel Abbey
is the private college
representative. (For more
details, see Fall Election
Results, p. 3)

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ACRL-NW

ACRL-NW Still Needs You!

ACRL-NW is a moderated listserv which publishes timely news and business specifically of interest to ACRL members in the NorthWest. Traffic is light yet relevant.

The list is growing, but it will serve the ACRL Oregon membership more fully when everyone joins.

Become a member today!

How to Subscribe:

* Address your message to:

listproc@listproc.wsu.edu.

* In the body of the message:
SUBSCRIBE ACRL-NW <your
name>

For more information, contact Barbara Valentine: (503)434-2573; bvalen@linfield.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for the ACRL Oregon Fall meeting at the Menucha Retreat and Conference Center on October 24-25, 1996.

ACRL Preconference is a Winner!



Celebrating Our Differences: Learning to Work Together Tuesday, March 26, 1996 9 am to noon

What an opportunity to learn about yourself, your co-workers and your patrons! The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), a personality inventory based on Carl Jung's theories of personality type, describes individuals' preferences and styles of interaction. Libraries are using MBTI to help staff better understand and appreciate themselves, their colleagues and their users.

Dr. Joan Spearing, S.H.C.J., a licensed professional counselor at Marylhurst College who has used MBTI in her practice for 15 years, is also a dynamic speaker. She will talk about the theory and applicability of

the instrument. Participants will have an opportunity to take the MBTI and discuss its results with Dr. Spearing. In addition, library staff from Southern Oregon State College will share their experiences using the MBTI in staff development. The event promises to be very lively, informative and practical.

Registration Information:

Fee: \$35.00

For more information and registration materials contact

Caroline Mann:

voice: (503)413-7820; email: cmann@linfield.edu.



Wake-up Call for Intellectual Freedom

The following academic library staff are participating in the Wake-up Call for Intellectual Freedom Leadership Institute on March 26, 1996 sponsored by ALA, OLA, WLA and others. This training will enable them to teach others how to become intellectual freedom advocates in their institutions and communities.

Faye Chadwell, University of Oregon; Mareesa Kirk, Willamette University; Joni Roberts, Willamette University; Johanna Sherrer, Lewis & Clark College; Janet Webster, Oregon State University. B. Jenkins



PEOPLE NEWS

Two board members defect to the corporate world

Two librarians, who were active both on the ACRL Oregon board and in other Oregon academic library circles, have eschewed the ivory tower for the business environment. In the Fall, Ruth Vondracek, Coordinator of Reference Services at Western Oregon State College accepted a position as Information Research Analyst at Hewlett-Packard Corvallis Research Library. Similarly, Jan Tudor left her position as Management /Business/ Economics Librarian at Willamette University to join Willamette Management Associates as an Information Specialist. It is rumored that they are both having a wonderful time in their new iobs. We miss vou! B. Valentine

Other Job Changes

Sandra Garcia-Myers, Social Sciences Librarian and Coordinator of Library Research at Southern Oregon State College resigned as of December 1995. Sandy is now Reference/Special Materials Librarian in the Cinema/Television Library at University of Southern California. Sandy at last has found her place in the sun-films and warm California weather. We just couldn't make a web foot out of her. Good luck, Sandy! C. Anderson

Kathie Brinkerhoff, Business Reference Librarian, University of Oregon has accepted a position at the University of Nevada-Reno starting March 1. B. Jenkins

CONFERENCE NEWS

WLA/OLA at Pack Forest: Report of the Fall Meeting

The 1995 Washington/Oregon ACRL meeting was held at Pack Forest on October 26-27. There were three workshops on the program as well as the usual business meetings. Betsy Wilson, Associate Director of Libraries at the University of Washington, made a presentation entitled User-Centered Libraries: Assessment and Outcomes. She defined the user-centered library essentially as a staffempowered (both professional and non-professional) service organization. Of critical importance is the accurate assessment of student needs and learning outcomes. Wilson's advice about how to design, implement, and interpret a user survey was based upon her own recent experience at the University of Washington. Information about their user assessment program is available through the Web at http://www.lib.washington.edu/ pubservices/survey/.

Althea Jenkins, Executive Director of ACRL (national office), spoke about Meeting the Challenges of the 21st Century Information Society. Using ACRL's strategic plan as a model, she stressed the need for librarians to assert themselves nationally as the original information professionals. The four

strategic directions of ACRL are to: (1) provide development opportunities for librarians and other academic library personnel; (2) collaborate with other professional organizations in order to promote mutual interests; (3) maintain a prominent role in planning national information policy; (4) ensure that ACRL delivers its services efficiently.

Finally, Craig Gibson, User Education Librarian at Washington State University, discussed Critical Thinking and the Internet. He characterized the Internet as ambiguous, rapidly changing, navigationally unclear, decontextualized, and heterogeneous, then developed a concept of critical thinking that would meet the challenge of using the Internet for research. Gibson's critical thinking model encourages flexibility, structural understanding, consideration of alternative perspectives, suspension of judgment, and constant revision. N. Hoover and R. Severson, Marylhurst College

CONTINUING EDUCATION **OPPORTUNITIES**

How to Teach the Internet: A Workshop for **Trainers**

sponsored by ACRL/Washington chapter

Instructors: Anne Lipow, John Ober, co-authors of Crossing the Internet Threshold and trainers at the Library Solutions Institute, Berkeley, CA.

This one day workshop is designed for both the experienced and newly pressed-into-service Internet trainer. The goal is to shed light on effective ways of explaining the Internet to those trying to master them. Through lecture, demonstration, discussion, practical small group exercises, and handouts, participants will learn a variety of techniques for teaching the Internet in oral and written presentations. How to deal with special problems in demonstrating some Internet applications will be highlighted. Differences in approach between teaching adults and children, staff and patrons, and face-to-face and remote audiences will be covered. Participants should have some experience using basic Internet services (e-mail. discussion lists, telnet, ftp) and resource tools (Gopher, WAIS, and World Wide Web).

May 15, 1996, 8am - 5pm Red Lion Inn, Bellevue Cost: \$80.00 for ACRL & WLA members; \$95.00 for non-members. Cost includes lunch and training materials.

Payment and registration due April 1. Registration is limited. Contact Lori Ricigliano for registration materials and more details. Phone: (206) 756-3229; FAX: (206)756-3670; e-mail: ricigliano@ups.edu.

Library Information Management Program at Marylhurst

The Spring offerings include:

Web Exploration - Mar. 13, May 15, June 5; 1-4 pm Internet for Reference - Mar 15, 9 am-4 pm. Internet Basics - May 3, May 10; 10 am - 4 pm.

World Wide Web Home Page Construction - May 17, 9 am-4 pm; May 24, 9 am-1

Storyteller's Circle - (two day session) Apr. 12-13 & 26-

Business Internet Reference Sources - May 31, 9 am-4

Information Ethics - Apr. 19, 9 am-4 pm.

For more information contact Martha Powers (503)699-6261 X 3375. email: mpowers@ shoen.marlyhurst.edu.

ACRL BUSINESS

Volunteer Sought for **OEMA Board**

In an effort to revitalize the Oregon Educational Media Association (OEMA), OLA suggests that divisions appoint representatives to serve on OEMA's board. The purpose of the liaison activity is to gather information and to show support. ACRL would like to participate. if you are interested in representing ACRL on the OEMA board, please contact Barbara Jenkins (503)346-1925 or email: jenkins@oregon.uoregon.edu.

Fall Election Results

Loretta Rielly is our new Vice President/President Elect. We also welcome two new at-large members: Anne Christie. Reference Librarian and Collection Coordinator for Life Sciences, Oregon State University Libraries and David Bilyeu, Library Director, Central Oregon Community College. It was a really close

race. The election results are listed below:

President Loretta Rielly 26

At-Large positions

Anne Christie	18
David Bilyeu	17
Sue Kopp	16
Barbara Butler	12

In addition, Paula Hamilton, Public Services Librarian, Mount Angel Abbey, was appointed to fill the NAPCU seat vacated by Jan Tudor. B. Valentine



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

ACRL Board Meeting -September 29, 1995 Eugene

Present: Connie Anderson, Barbara Jenkins, Mary Ellen Kenreich, Loretta Rielly, Johannah Sherrer, Charles Piquette, Barbara Valentine, Paula Hamilton, Jim Rible. Connie Anderson presided.

Introductions: Paula Hamilton was introduced as the newest member of the Board.

Report from the OLA Board Meeting: OLA wants to revitalize OEMA (Oregon Educational Media Assn.) and suggested having OLA representatives on their board. (See OEMA article p. 3). Do we need a representative from the OLA Legislative Committee at our meetings? Loretta will ask Karyle Butcher about this. Were they going to appoint someone?

OLA '96:

Mary Ellen gave an update on plans for the Conference. The preliminary program will be in the mail in October. There will be 7 preconferences on Tuesday, March 26, 1996. The conference begins with a banquet Tuesday evening with Alexander Cockburn as the guest speaker. Wednesday includes 4 programs 8:30 -10:00 and 5 programs 10:15 -11:45, with roundtable and division meetings mixed in throughout the morning. The conference ends on Wednesday with a luncheon. OLA business will be conducted during the banquet and luncheon.

Loretta reported on the ACRL preconference scheduled for Tuesday morning, 9:00 - noon. (See announcement p. 1).

Pack Forest: Barbara J. will take the "ACRL Flag" to Pack Forest. (See Conference Reports p. 2 and minutes from Pack Forest below).

Fall Elections: Barbara V. is tabulating the board election votes. (See results this page).

Menucha 1996:

Instead of finding a new place for next year, we'll put more energy into having a good program. In 1998 we could decide to move it, such as to the New Life Center in Wilsonville or Edgefield McMinnimins in Troutdale. Barbara needed to pay \$200 by November to reserve Menucha for a group of 100. The dates are October 24-25, 1996. We debated moving the dates up or back, but decided that any time

is problematic, especially for smaller libraries. We discussed what sort of topic we should plan. Should we be more focussed and pragmatic or more general? Should we appeal more to Technical Services or Public Services? Who is our audience at Menucha? We want to appeal to all levels and areas. We go to Menucha for inspiration, to interact with other academic librarians, to get ideas, to hear a provocative speaker. We want more interaction. Are we meeting the needs of the faculty, administration and students? Should we identify students and faculty who could share with us their wants and needs? Maybe we should look for someone outside the profession. Barbara J. and Barbara V. are going to EDUCOM which includes all types of educators. They'll be on the lookout for possible speakers and programs. Barbara V. and Jim will work with Barbara J. to put something together.

Regarding Menucha timeline: We want to have speakers lined up by May 1996. Ideally we would contact them by January. Barbara J. and Johannah will work on grant requests. We decided not to look at the ACRL office for speakers, although it may mean we won't get an ACRL grant.

Newsletter:

We publish it twice a year. In the spring it promotes our OLA conference programs and in the fall we use it to run elections for board members and bi-laws changes. OLA would like us to put more academic library news in the OLA Hotline. Barbara V. will put out a request on the listserv asking for Hotline contributions about 4 times a year. We should keep thinking

of newsworthy items and pass them on to Barbara V.

Bi-laws:

14.22 "The Division may charge dues" We're in a good position now, financially, with \$6,000 in our account. This change gives us the option if and when we do need money.

14.33 "Terms of office begin September 1."

14.34 "... select up to 2 candidates for each office. The election ... takes place by mail ballot prior to Sept. 1." Connie will put the sentence back in on what to do in the event of a tie vote.

14.43 Two-year term commences September 1. 14.44 Nominating Committee schedule

14.73 Use "the latest edition of the Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure ..." Change "Fall meeting" to Annual meeting. Add "any dues increase will be voted on by the membership." Connie will make the changes and make copies for Pack Forest.

OLA Retreat:

OLA has a Goals and Activities list. ACRL is shown under the activity of identifying existing distance learning programs and developing a model for monitoring the impact on local libraries. Loretta said some goals stay on the list for a long time, but it is something we should keep in mind.

The OLA Board has formed 2 new committees: the Special Committee on Technology, chaired by Sara Brownmiller, and the Special Committee on Preservation, chaired by Jey Wann.

The presidential theme of OLA this year is Intellectual Freedom. Should we have a liaison with the Intellectual

Freedom Committee? We should consider this theme as we plan programs. Barbara J. passed out the OLA Intellectual Freedom Action Plan. Potential ACRL programs and activities could be to develop policy statements on electronic access and the Internet, i.e. acceptable use. Also evaluate collections and policies to make sure we're collecting on the right as well as the left.

ACRL and **ALA** Report:

Barbara J. led our discussion on the ALA draft on access to electronic information which came out of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee. It was discussed at the OLA Board meeting. The general idea is that we should not censor by content. The OLA Board suggested and we agreed that the following sentence should be left off of final version: "Libraries and librarians should not deny access to information on the grounds that it is perceived to be frivolous or lacking value." Pass on to Barbara J. any other suggested changes. We should read the Judith Krug article in the latest American Libraries. Barbara J. passed out other ACRL and ALA information to keep us up to date on their activities, including ALA Code of Ethics, ALA Goal 2000, ACRL Chapters Council Orientation, and ACRL Chapters Council Survey. ACRL asks if we want them to have a West coast (San Francisco or Los Angeles) annual meeting in 1999. Barbara will say yes.

The Board thanked Connie for her year as President. M.E. Kenreich

ACRL Board Meeting Oct. 26, 1996 **Pack Forest**

Present: Barbara Jenkins, David Bilyeu (COCC), Anne Christie (OSU), Paula Hamilton (Mt. Angel Abbey), Mary Ellen Kenreich (PSU), Loretta Rielly (OSU).

Possible topics for Menucha Conference are: Critical thinking and evaluating information on the Web; Cataloging electronic information; Libraries and the Internet; Resource sharing; Tearing down ivory walls academic librarians interacting with the community; Breaking down walls between library departments.

Do we want to include the OCCLA (Oregon Community College Library Association) in our Menucha conference as the Washington ACRL group did with CLAMS (College Librarians & Media Specialists, WA)?

We discussed how to increase usage of the ACRL listserv. The consensus was to send a message to all ACRL members giving them information on how to subscribe, rather than automatically subscribing everyone. (See p. 1).

The Bi-Laws changes were approved at the business meeting earlier in the day. M.E. Kenreich

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