



## (Board nominations, cont.)

would like to recommend someone, contact Kathy Faust, Northwestern School of Law Library, 10015 SW Terwilliger Blvd., Portland, OR 97219, phone (503) 244-1181 ext 690 or Janet Wright, Portland State University, P.O. Box 1151, Portland, OR 97207, phone (503) 229-4097.

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## OLA BOARD ADOPTS NEW ILL CODE

At a meeting earlier this year, the OLA Board approved dissemination of the new "Interlibrary Loan Code for Oregon Libraries" which was drafted by the OLA Resource Sharing Committee.

Copies of the new code were mailed to Oregon libraries with the request that library directors discuss the code with their staffs and users and indicate their acceptance or non-acceptance of the code by May 1. To date, approximately 99 Oregon libraries have endorsed the code and 21 have indicated that they do not endorse it for various reasons, among them cost, confidentiality, non-circulation of materials, and staffing.

The code underwent several revisions following discussions by committee members, by interested library staff members at an open meeting at the OLA conference in Ashland, and by OLA board members.

While the version that was mailed to libraries represents the consensus of the committee and the OLA Board, there was considerable discussion, and some disagreement, about some provisions of the code, most notably the section on cost which stipulates that libraries will not charge each other service charges for interlibrary loan transactions. All of those in-

volved in the discussions acknowledge that reimbursement to net lenders is an important issue that requires resolution in order that some of the provisions of the code be truly effective.

One of the main purposes of the Code is to recognize interlibrary loan as one of the components of a successful resource sharing program, and the Code attempts to situate interlibrary loan within that context as well as in the context of library service to the state as described in the Vision 2000 Report. While the code advances resources sharing in Oregon a little further, there is still much work to be done. Other components of a resource sharing program, as outlined in the Code, need attention as well and are being addressed by such groups as the OLA Resource Sharing Committee and the State-wide Collection Development Committee.

Craig Wilson

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## Writing to Legislators

*The following tips come from LIBRARY ADVOCATES: Legislative Agenda, a pamphlet from the Friends of the Library, U.S.A.*

1. Keep the letter short, rarely more than one page. Type if you can; otherwise, write clearly.
2. Write it in your own words, and include your own thoughts.
3. Cover only one issue; save other issues for later letters.
4. Show your familiarity with the subject and with the current status of the legislation (mention the bill number if possible). This will indicate that you are serious about the issue, unlike the casual, uninformed correspondents who produce the bulk of constituent mail.
5. Be specific as to what you

want your representative to do.

6. Give reasons for your position. Cite your own experience and findings if possible. If the bill has a local impact, indicate that fact so that your representative realizes that the bill has a direct effect on his/her districts.

7. Ask your representative a direct question about his/her own position on the bill. You want to receive a clear answer, not a form letter. If you are requesting an appointment, give alternate times if possible, and ask for a reply.

8. Don't mention your membership in any organization unless it is directly related to an experience you are describing. The individual citizen's letter is what counts, not the letter choreographed and inspired by an organization.

9. If you can, mention your legislator's vote on a recent issue to show your awareness of his/her record.

10. In general, be helpful rather than threatening. You can best show your genuine concern for the issue by offering to provide further information on the subject. (After all, information management is our business.)

11. When the legislature is in session, address all letters to your representatives in Washington or the state capitol. At other times, write them in care of their home addresses, if available.

12. Finally, remember: Any letter is better than no letter! Postcards are second best.

## OREGON ACRL NEWS

## WOSC awarded LSCA Grant for Continuing Ed

In December of 1991, Western Ore-

gon State College Division of Continuing Education and Summer Programs, on behalf of the Continuing Education Committee of the Oregon Library Association, was awarded a grant through the Library Services and Construction Act to improve statewide library services by providing continuing library education for the 1992 calendar year.

Based on a review of the 1990 OLA survey of needs, topics of interest were identified and a series of five seminars and twelve workshops were planned.

Over the next six months, the seminars designed for library managers and directors, will include offerings in TIME MANAGEMENT, PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT, ETHICS and LONG RANGE PLANNING. Topics addressed in April and May covered FUND RAISING and EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP.

A series of workshops, designed for professional librarians, began in May with WRITE YOUR OWN COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY and COMPUTER GRAPHICS. Topics for the remainder of 1992 include REFERENCE AND INFORMATION SERVICES, CATALOGING, COMPUTER APPLICATIONS/SPREADSHEETS, and COPYRIGHT.

Efforts have been made to provide the seminars and workshops in various locations throughout the state. To date, activities have been in Grants Pass, Eugene, Portland, and Monmouth. Future sites include Redmond, Coos Bay, LaGrande and Medford/Ashland.

A special part of the grant was to make available over EDNET the keynote address of Kare Anderson at the OLA conference in early April in Portland. A tape of her address is available for a small fee through Western Oregon State College Division of Continuing Education.

In part, this grant was to make continuing education available throughout the state, but it was also to provide the basis for ongoing, self-supporting educational activities. Future goals include creating a series of programs that will address topics of interest to Oregon Librarians.

The professional consultant for the project is June Knudson, Director of the Hood River Library. The grant coordinator is Julie Searcy of WOSC.

For more information on these activities or the grant, please call the Division of Continuing Education at Western Oregon State College, 1-800-451-5767 or 838-8483.

Julie A Searcy,  
Western Oregon State College

## Oregon Health Sciences Univeristy news

Carrie Willman, Assistant Director for Library Operations. OHSU Library has been elected president-elect of the Health Sciences OCLC Users Group. Her first duty is program chair of the 1993 annual meeting.

## Oregon State University news

Hugh Franklin, Engineering Librarian, at Oregon State University and Judy Stuck, Librarian at Linfield College-Portland Campus have just Published the Pacific Northwest Union List of Industry Standards. The list serves as a guide for more than 1,000 current standards holdings at academic, public, and special libraries in Alaska, Idaho Montana, Oregon, Washington, Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan,

including 52 libraries in the United States and 35 in Canada. As well as providing holdings information, document delivery services and a contact person for each site are included. Copies can be ordered from the accounting department of Kerr Library, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon 97331.

## University of Portland news

At the University of Portland Pam Horan has become Public Services Librarian (formerly called "Reference Librarian"). Pam is also Acting Director this summer while Fr. Browne is in France. Nadene Miller, formerly Reference Librarian, and Margaret Kleszynski, formerly Special Services Librarian, have gone on half-time status in order to pursue further studies. Roxanne Dimyan, Archives/Reference has changed hats to become Technical Services/Reference. Michael Storwick has been appointed to the newly created Serials/Documents position. Storwick received his MLS from UC at Berkeley, and worked for a number of years in Technical Services at Berkeley Public Library.

## Portland State University news

Michael Bowman has joined the PSU Library faculty as a Science Engineering Librarian. He is expected to begin his appointment in mid-July, coming to Portland from Rutgers.

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## **OLA Reference Roundtable sponsors development and networking activities**

OLA Reference Roundtable is a new group interested in questions and problems reference librarians encounter as they work with the public. Membership (currently at 135) is open to any OLA member. Melanie Ball, Oregon State Library, is the chair; Dareth Murray, Shaw Management Company, and Jane Kirby, Salem Public Library, edit the newsletter, the OLA RRT News. The Roundtable is sponsoring a number of events in the coming months. For more information contact Dareth Murray, Shaw Management Company, 228-4884 or Jane Kirby, Salem Public Library, 588-6054.

## **OLA RRT Events**

July 24, 1992  
Small Business Reference  
Deschutes County Library

October 2, 1992  
RRT Talktables  
Corvallis Public Library

February 5, 1993  
RRT Genealogy  
Richard Heinzkill  
Salem Public Library

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## **EDITORS NOTE:**

August 24th is the deadline for submitting items for the September newsletter. Please send items to:

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