

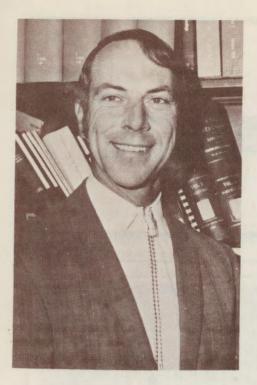
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**Annual Conference Issue** 



### From Your President

MPLA states and MPLA people have been very busy this summer at various projects and activities. All of your committees are hard at work on their assignments and duties. As you can see from the June issue the joint conference planning is moving ahead rapidly toward a great program for Omaha late in October. Invitations to join us in the conference have been sent to the leadership of both the Iowa and Missouri Library Associations, with the hope that our colleagues from those states adjacent to our conference site will find the program of interest and attend. Everyone mark your calendars and get your Halloween outfits ready!

MPLA has embarked on a precedent setting project. In mid-June the National Endowment for the Humanities informed me of the grant award of \$259,375 to MPLA for the Country School Legacy: Humanities on the Frontier, with the expressed hope for success in this contribution to learning in the humanities. Andrew J. Gulliford of Silt, Colorado, is the Project Director. Andy will provide an in depth article on the project in the next issue. Congratulations to Andy on his successful project, and to MPLA for its role in assisting this project!

Another significant event occurring in our MPLA region was the Feasibility Colloquium on Document Conservation held at Snowbird, Utah, on 8-10 June. Resulting from the interest and leadership of the Western Council of State Libraries, a project on document conservation in

the West was developed. The National Historical publications and Records Commission was approached and funded the Western States Materials Conservation Project to the level of \$51,950 (for the project period 1 July 1979 - 30 June 1980; and subsequently granted \$10,925 for extension to 30 September). The Western Council co-funded this project with \$24,000 and a supplement of \$8,500.

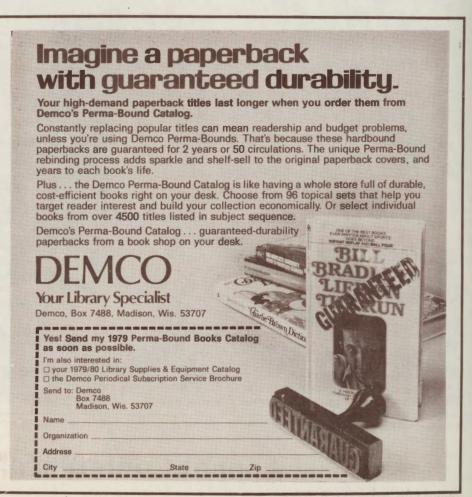
This project surveyed the conservation needs in 17 western states and developed several common concerns and themes addressed in the Colloquium. Issues, potential solutions and feasibility for a variety of coordinated conservation activities in 18 western states (we grew by 1) were examined by 65 attendees representing the library, museum, historical, archives and conservator communities of the western states. All MPLA states were represented, among the others.

Those attending felt the objectives of the project were met: to develop a conservation conscious cadre in each state; to survey and report on conservation issues and priorities and feasibility for coordinated action; to develop by consensus an action plan for the West; and to develop implementation strategies for the action plan. There was an excellent information exchange between all attending and, I felt, a lowering of barriers

— real and perceived — between all the interests represented. The project is being very ably directed by Howard P. Lowell of Salem, Oregon, with the excellent assistance of Karen Kay, Consultant, of Denver, Colorado.

The Colloquium concluded with a vote of the conference that a representative Western Conservation Congress be established. The advisory committee to the project was requested to do a number of "follow-up" tasks to maintain the momentum of the activity begun. I will report further developments as they occur. Best wishes to all for the rest of the summer.

Joe Anderson





# Projections

# **MPLA/NLA Joint Conference**

October 30-November 1
Red Lion Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28-THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

#### **Preconference Programs**

1:30 p.m., Tues. - 4:00 p.m., Thurs . . . . Kieuit Conference Center

# DATA PROCESSING SPECIFICATION AND CONTRACTING TUTORIAL

Co-Sponsored by the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), ALA.

The tutorial has been developed to meet the needs of librarians installing or preparing to install varying types of automated systems. The goals will be to establish a minimal level of competence in developing functional specifications, evaluating technical specifications, developing and evaluating specifications, and in negotiating and administering contracts for data processing equipment and systems.

Maximum enrollment: 80

Cost: \$100, LITA personal members; \$115, ALA non-LITA members; \$125, non-ALA members; \$25, fulltime library school students on space available basis only.

Preregistration required by October 10. Use registration form on p. 11.

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Wed . . . . . . . . . . Omaha Room

#### **PUBLIC PROGRAMMING**

Co-hosted with the Public Library Association, ALA, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The workshop will seek to explain the Endowment's Library Humanities Projects Program, the process by which it works, and how public libraries can participate.

Maximum enrollment: 50

Cost: By invitation only. For more information contact Shirley Mills, PLA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

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9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Wed . . . . . . . Boys Town Center Auditorium

# INTERLIBRARY LOAN PROTOCOLS FOR THE REGION

Co-hosted with the Bibliographical Center for Research.

The purpose of this workshop is to develop interlibrary loan protocols for the BCR region. It is expected that this workshop will be the place for decisions and implementation of plans and procedures.

Maximum enrollment: 40

Cost: \$25 (luncheon not included)

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Thurs . . . . . . . . . . lowa Room

#### PROJECTIONS: CAREER PLANNING FOR LIBRARIANSHIP IN THE 1980's

Sponsored by the MPLA and NLA Junior Members Round Tables and the MPLA Continuing Education Committee

Workshop leader: Susan Bukacek, Counselor with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Counseling Center.

The program will be conducted as a workshop with structured exercises in a small group setting. Facilitators will be assigned to lead group activities. The workshop is designed to help participants clarify and identify personal and career goals, think constructively and realistically about the future, and plan for their individual growth and development.

Maximum enrollment: 35

Cost: \$25 (luncheon not included)

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Thurs. . . . . . . . . . Missouri Room

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER RECOVERY Workshop coordinator: Robert Patterson, Director of Libraries, University of Wyoming.

This is a workshop designed to show librarians how to prepare for

disasters (particularly flooding and water-related damage resulting from fires) and how to carry out recovery operations which will see the effective salvage of materials. Participants will also be shown how a basic in-house preservation program can be established in their libraries.

Maximum enrollment: 50

Cost: \$25 (luncheon not included)
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Thurs . . . . . . . Nebraska Room

## STRESS AND DISTRESS: THE CREATIVE USE OF TENSION

Program leaders: Dr. Francis Ulschak, Associate Professor of Organizational Behavior, and Dr. Charles Roegiers, Professor of Management, School of Business, University of South Dakota.

Participants will identify the stress in their work environment, identify and evaluate the effectiveness of their coping responses, and explore new coping responses for their personal and organizational context.

Maximum enrollment: 42

Cost: \$25 (luncheon not included)

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Thurs . . . . . . . Winnebago/Flannagan

# A PLANNING PROCESS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Co-sponsored by the Public Library Association, ALA

The objective of this workshop is to introduce the public library manual, A PLANNING PROCESS. It will give practical assistance in the implementation of library planning.

Maximum enrollment: 100

Cost: \$80 for ALA members, \$100 for MPLA/NLA members, \$130 for non-ALA/MPLA/NLA members (luncheon included). Preregistration required through ALA. Use registration form on p.11.

#### **Conference Program**

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Grand Ballroom Foyer

REGISTRATION

4:00-5:00 p.m. . . . . . Lincoln Room

#### NLA PRECONFERENCE EXECUTIVE BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Shirley Flack

# OPENING OF EXHIBITS AND PRESIDENTS' WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION

Union Pacific Quartet

6:30 - . . . . Midtown Upstairs Dinner Theater

#### DINNER THEATER

"Goodbye Charlie!"

Hosts: MPLA/NLA Trustees Sections

Preregistration required

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Grand Ballroom Foyer

#### REGISTRATION

#### **EXHIBITS**

8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.. . . . . . . . Lincoln Room

# MPLA EXECUTIVE BOARD PRECONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING

Continental Breakfast

Presiding: Joe Anderson

9:30-11:00 a.m..... Midlands Suite

### JOINT CONFERENCE OPENING SESSION

Presiding: Joe Anderson, MPLA and Shirley Flack, NLA

Keynote Address: Peggy Sullivan, President of the American Library Association, will project plans as a result of the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services.

### FREE COFFEE IN THE EXHIBITS AREA

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. . . . . . . . . . . . . . Midlands Suite

#### MPLA BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Joe Anderson

# NLA COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SECTION LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Dr. Jack Middendorf

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# MPLA/NLA PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTIONS

Libraries and Adult Literacy

Jean Coleman, Director of the Office of Library Service to the Disadvantaged, ALA, will be the main speaker as librarians consider their role in working with the problems of adult literacy.

Presiding: Janice Beck, MPLA; Lee Ireland, NLA

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . lowa Room

MPLA/NLA COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SECTION

Projecting Automated Systems - OCLC, RLIN, WLN

Representatives from the three major utilities will make up a panel to discuss the services that each utility offers.

Presiding: Jean S. Johnson, MPLA; Jack Middendorf, NLA

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m...... Dakota Room

MPLA JUNIOR MEMBERS ROUND TABLE BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Susan Kling

MPLA STATE LIBRARY SECTION

Coffee and Conversation, a No-Program Sharing

Three main topics will be discussed: 1) library service to Native Americans, 2) strategies for implementing resolutions from Governor and White House Conferences, and 3) the special library in cooperatives.

Presiding: Sarah Parker

NLA SCHOOL, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

Also scheduled from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. is a discussion of a statewide summer reading theme of special interest to Nebraska Public Children's Librarians.

Presiding: Diane Neukirch

MPLA PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Janice Beck

MPLA STATE LIBRARY SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Sarah Parker

8:00 p.m.-.... Western Heritage Museum (Union Station)
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ALL-CONFERENCE HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

Beer, popcorn, music, dancing, fun & games, prizes.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

7:30 a.m.-.... Grand Ballroom Foyer

REGISTRATION

7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.. . . . . . . . . . . Flannagan Room

MPLA ACADEMIC SECTION BREAKFAST, PROGRAM, BUSINESS MEETING

**In-House Automated Systems** 

Region Librarians will discuss successful in-house automated systems. Bill Stewart, coordinator of technical services at the University of Wyoming, will describe the topical catalog he helped develop at the University of Texas, San Antonio. Cliff Haka, circulation librarian at the University of Kansas, will describe their circulation system. John Taylor, systems analyst at Brigham Young University, will explain their automated serials system. And Henry Yaple, acquisitions librarian at the University of Wyoming, will describe their acquisitions system. A very brief business meeting will precede the program.

Presiding: Jean S. Johnson

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

EXHIBITORS' BUSINESS MEETING, BREAKFAST

Presiding: Don Osborne

MPLA/NLA SCHOOL, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECTIONS BREAKFAST

Projecting a Caldecott Winner

Paul Goble, 1979 Caldecott winner for **The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses**, will answer questions and autograph his books.

Presiding: Dorothy Middleton, MPLA; Jackie Miller, NLA

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

NLA PAST PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST

**EXHIBITS** 

MPLA/NLA PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTIONS

Projecting Your Library's Image

Mona Garvey, N. G. Associates, Atlanta, Georgia, will present a workshop dealing with the practical aspects of programming and merchandising of both internal and external public relations programs for all types of libraries: school, public, academic and special.

MPLA TECHNICAL SERVICES SECTION

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This is a demonstration workshop to show librarians how to local resources in programming. Included will be a U Pacific presentation with slides, puppets, an author, and a of the Union Pacific Museum (from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	nion tour Mona Ga
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NLA SPECIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SECTION

A representative from InterNorth Gas Company will speak on the

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . lowa Room

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Flannagan Room

NLA PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTION LUNCHEON

**LUNCHEON, BUSINESS MEETING** 

**Energy Projections for the Eighties** 

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AND BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: John Hill

Presiding: Lee Ireland

#### ORING THE FUTURE — OSS IMPACT MATRIX

rker, Minnesota futurist, will direct a workshop on "The s Impact Matrix," a way of examining in a clear pattern the acts, trends and/or innovations have on each other. The er of the matrix is its ability to integrate seemingly rate ideas and events; its secret lies in knowing how to cont it and create the questions for it.

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: Janice Beck, MPLA; Lee Ireland, NLA

- 3:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . Winnebago Room

#### NLA SCHOOL, CHILDREN, AND YOUNG E'S SECTIONS

st, The Present, The Projected, continued

nini-workshops will consider common problems such as losses, story telling, periodicals for kids, simple media ts, children's services in small public libraries, and the ary.

- 4:00 p.m..... Dakota Room

#### **JUNIOR MEMBERS ROUND TABLE ESS MEETING**

Marla Bouton

#### SCHOOL, CHILDREN, AND YOUNG E'S SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

: Dorothy Middleton

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Flannagan Room

#### **FUTURES WHEEL**

Joel Barker, Minnesota Futurist, leads a second workshop on "The Futures Wheel." This divergent thinking tool is one of the most valuable because it stimulates thinking, validates the need for mind-stretching ideas, creates strong, nondebative discussion, and can be used for exploration of innovations, trends, goals and decisions BEFORE committing to them.

#### NLA GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Shirley Flack

NLA POST-CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

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Presiding: Dean Waddel

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . Lincoln Room

MPLA EXECUTIVE BOARD POST-CONFERENCE MEETING

Presiding: Jane Kolbe

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Grand Ballroom Foyer

COCKTAILS, cash bar

Omaha Contemporary Wind Ensemble

#### MPLA/NLA AWARDS BANQUET

Presiding: Joe Anderson, MPLA, and Shirley Flack, NLA

Awards Committee: Lucky Waugh, NLA, and Mary Southwell,

Joel Barker, speaker

Librarians and Riding the Wave of the Future: Information Technologies in the 80's.

Installation of Officers

# Data Processing Specification and Contracting Preconference Planned LITA for Joint Conference

If you are a director or associate director of a small to medium sized library, a technical services director, or department head of a larger institution, the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA) preconference tutorial scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday may be for you. You'll develop a minimal level of competence in developing functional specifications, evaluating technical specifications, developing and evaluating

bid specifications, and negotiating and administering contracts for data processing equipment and systems.

Kay Capen, assistant director for technical services, Iowa State University, will answer the question "Where Do We Begin?" Ward Shaw, executive director, Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries, Denver, will focus on "Writing Functional Specifications." Hank Epstein, president, Information Transform, Costa Mesa, California, will help you with "Evaluating Technical Specifications." Mary Ghikas, assistant commissioner, Chicago Public Library, will discuss "Contracting and Contract Administration." Carolyn Gray, catalog librarian, Western Illinois University, will be the panel moderator and

speak on "Evaluation and Readjustment of the System After Implementation."

The tutorials will consist of papers by people with experience in the field, exercises to demonstrate important concepts, and handouts to take home and serve as working models. And there will be ample time for group interaction.

The tutorials will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 1980, at the Kieuit Conference Center and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 30. Registration will be limited to 80 participants and must be received in Chicago before October 10. Refunds for cancellations will be made through October 10, less a \$10 service charge. Make your reservations using the form on page 11.



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#### Peggy Sullivan to Deliver Keynote Address at Joint Conference

At Friday's opening session, Peggy Sullivan, president of ALA, will deliver the keynote address. Ms. Sullivan will project plans resulting from the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services.

Long prominent in library circles, Ms. Sullivan is presently assistant commissioner for extension services at the Chicago Public Library and was previously dean of students and associate professor at the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago. Her professional experience includes work with childrens library services, the Knapp School Libraries Project, director of the Office for Library Personnel Resources and executive secretary of the Library Education Division of ALA, as well as consultant in several library and educational programs and projects, notably UNESCO consultant on school libraries in Australia

A frequent and popular speaker at library and other educational association programs, Ms. Sullivan has also published several books — Opportunities in Library and Information Science, 1977; Carl H. Milam and the American Library Association, 1976; Problems in School Media Management, 1971 - and numerous articles and reviews in educational and library journals.

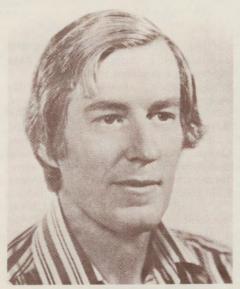
Ms. Sullivan received her A. B. from Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa, her M. S. in L.S. from Catholic University of America, and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago.

#### BCR to Sponsor Preconference on Regional Interlibrary Loan Protocols

Joan Segal of BCR is working out the

final details for a preconference on Interlibrary Loan Protocols to be held at Boys Town Center on Wednesday, October 29, 1980. The purpose of the conference is to bring together interested regional librarians to establish priorities for protocols at the regional level in successive rounds of questionnaires. At the meeting, participants will have input from their state librarians who will have met in Denver in September and framed the philosophical basis. Hopefully, these discussions will actually lead to implementation of some agreement.

Registration is \$25 and sleeping rooms (mostly doubles) are available for October 28 and 29 at Boys Town Center, doubles, \$10 and singles, \$15.



#### Caldecott Winner to Speak at Saturday Breakfast

The School, Children's and Young People's Sections of the Mountain Plains Library Association and the Nebraska Library Association will sponsor a breakfast program with 1979 Caldecott Medal winner Paul Goble as the featured guest on Saturday, November 1 at 8:00 a.m.

Paul Goble now lives in Rapid City, South Dakota, but originally is from England, near Oxford. His formal art training, in industrial design, was at the Central School of Art and Design in London. With a passion for everything relating to the North American Indian and to nature, he spent several summers with the Sioux Indians of South Dakota and the Crow Indians of Montana. He was privileged to take part in their ceremonies and to be present at their sacred Sun Dances. His Indian friends-told him their folklore and beliefs. In 1977 he let his love of Indians and nature take over and moved to the Black Hills to become a painter.

Goble won the Caldecott Medal in 1979 for his book. The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses, which shows the North American Indian's rapport with nature. It is not one legend but a synthesis of many. The story is about a girl who loved horses so much that perhaps she becomes one. The clean, bold illustrations are in full color. Mr. Goble remarked in his acceptance speech for the Caldecott Medal that when Indians respond to the illustrations in his book, it gives him warm feelings to know they are happy that a white man has admiration for their culture.

#### Mona Garvey to Help Librarians Project Their Library's Image

Mona Garvey, of M. G. Associates, Atlanta, will help librarians project the image of their library in two presentations on Saturday, November 1. A librarian as well as an artist, Ms. Garvey has had extensive experience in library public relations. Her display presentation at the 1978 Public Relations Pre-Conference in Chicago received top rating of conference participants. She has also authored and illustrated Library Displays and Teaching Displays as well as numerous articles for library, educational, and business publications.

According to Ms. Garvey, "Library public relations is not an applied art but an extension of good library service. It's checking to see that your operation is in good order and well explained to your public; surveying to determine that materials and services do indeed serve your clientel; merchandising to let folks know what you have available; and 'packaging' your services and products to attract attention and increase utilization.

. and these PR procedures apply to all types of libraries: school, public, academic, and special."

Her presentations will deal with the practical aspects of the above aspects of good PR. Her display emphasis will be on "putting some show in your tell." Practical, adaptable, no-art-skills graphics; simple cartoons; separate, reusable components; and an informal, informative approach - all will be demonstrated.

#### **Conference Menus**

With its numerous meat packing plants, grain mills, and assembly-line food processing kitchens, food and Omaha are almost synonymous. And the conference planners have enriched the program with some piquant offerings. Take your pick from the following array:

MPLA Executive Board Continental Breakfast Friday Menu Coffee and Pastry

NLA College and University Luncheon Friday Menu

**Tossed Garden Salad** 

Roast Beef with Bordelaise Sauce Potatoes and Vegetables Rolls and Butter

German Chocolate Cake Coffee, Tea, Milk MPLA Academic Section Breakfast
Saturday
Menu
Orange Juice

Fluffy Scrambled Eggs Breakfast Ham Hash Brown Potatoes

> Pastry Coffee, Tea, Milk

NLA Public Library Section Luncheon Saturday Menu

Green Salad

Breast of Chicken
Potatoes and Vegetables
Rolls and Butter

Bread Pudding - Strawberry Sauce Coffee, Tea, Milk MPLA/NLA Trustees Section Luncheon Saturday Menu

> Delicatessen Plate with Cold Meat Cheese Potato Salad

> > **Apple Pie**

Awards Banquet
Saturday
Menu

Ceasar Salad Onion Soup Gratinee

Beef En Brochette Wild Rice Vegetable Rolls and Butter

Baked Alaska Flambee Coffee, Tea, Milk





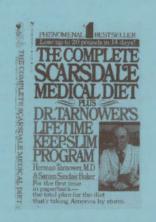
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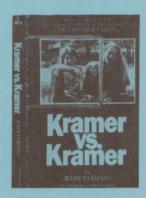
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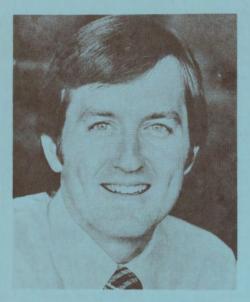
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# Futurist, Joel A. Barker, to Be Featured at Omaha Conference

Joel A. Barker, president of Infinity Limited, Inc., a company specializing in consulting with businesses, educational institutions, and churches on alternative futures explorations, will share his methods for projecting and planning for the future in three presentations on Saturday, November 1.

Mr. Barker was a faculty member of James Bright's Socio-Political Forecasting seminar from 1975-79 conducting sessions for long-range planners and top executives of major world corporations and government agencies; a faculty member of St. Cloud State University and St. Thomas College, directing five national futures education workshops for K-12

teachers, and instructor of a Multi-Company Management Course, "Managing in a Dynamic Environment," 1977. He has also served as consultant/special educator for numerous corporations and institutions: IBM, Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis, Rocky Mountain Training Center, College Unions International, Minnesota Diabetes Association, etc.

A popular speaker, Mr. Barker has delivered over 500 speeches and workshops to more than 50,000 people across the country over the past six years. He has published a number of articles and is working on a book, **Shaping Your Own Future.** He says of himself that he "plays tennis, guitar, handball, swims, cross country skis, writes poetry and songs, day dreams lot and smiles while jogging."

#### Children's and School Librarians to Project Past, Present, and Future

The children's and school librarians will find the Omaha conference keeping them profitably occupied. The NLA Children's and Young People's Section and the MPLA Children's and School Section will host at breakfast on Saturday, November 1, Paul Goble, the 1979 Caldecott Medal winner for his book The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses. He will speak, answer questions, and autograph his books.

Immediately after breakfast the Union Pacific will present "Make the Past Live," a slide show, an author, a puppet show, and an optional tour of the Union Pacific Museum. This is a demonstration workshop to help librarians plan a program they can put on in their own libraries.

On Saturday afternoon, a series of short workshops structured like learning centers will enable participants to choose a topic, spend 30 minutes with it, and then go on to another session. These miniworkshops will consider such issues as book losses; programming for story telling, puppet shows, dramas; simple media projects; children's services in small public libraries; and periodicals for kids.

The NLA Children and Young People's Section business meeting will ratify bylaws, decide on a theme for the 1981 summer reading program, and consider the proposed award to a children's or young adult author.

#### **Last Chance!**

The Technical Service Section of MPLA is planning a panel discussion on "Management Options in Technical Service Departments with Automation" at the 1980 convention, and We Still Need Panel Members! Participants will be asked to discuss the impact of automation on some part of a technical service department's operation - staffing, workflow, or costs, for example - with emphasis on the choices that must be made and the factors that must be considered in making those choices. This is your chance to share your experience with your fellow librarians, contribute to the greater glory of your chosen profession, and become famous. Don't miss this opportunity! Submit your proposed topic to the Technical Service Section Chairperson as soon as possible! Reply to: Alice Marris, Coe Library, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY 82071.



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#### From Omaha With Love

Some of the Midwest's best kept secrets wait to be discovered when you visit Omaha for the MPLA/NLA Joint Conference. Nebraska's largest city is more than just a convenient stopover on the highway to someplace else. It offers a special taste of the "good life" that will whet your appetite, tease your interests, and — once sampled — keep you coming back!

Unknown to most, Omaha is the "Reservation Capital of the World" with 12 WATS reservation centers handling between 10 and 15 million calls per month. Omaha is also the largest meatprocessing center in the U. S. Many packing plants, grain mills, and assembly-line kitchens make Nebraska's largest city one of the largest food processors in the world. And 35 insurance companies, including the world's largest, Mutual of Omaha, make Omaha their headquarters. Yet the air is still clean, with the average particulate measure 25 percent below federal standards.

Its weather? — well, the city boasts an overall annual temperature of a comfortable 51.6 degrees — but the weather is best described as changeable. For October 28 to November 1, we suggest you dress for 40 degree nights and 60 degree days with a top coat that can serve as a rain coat. Rain on Halloween is almost a tradition.

#### **Places to See**

The JMRT members will be available at their booth with maps and suggestions to assist you in locating Omaha's points of interest. Don't miss Boys Town, the "City of Little Men," at 132nd and West Dodge Road. Founded by the late Father Flanagan, it provides an on-campus residential program for 350 homeless and underprivileged boys and boasts a major research center for the study of youth development. Other places worth visiting are the Mormon Cemetery, the Old Market Area, and the Joslyn Art Museum. The latter offers a \$15 million collection of frontier American art, a variety of originals by the Old World masters, and an art reference library of more than 9,000 volumes and almost as many slides. It's open Tuesday - Saturday, 10 - 5, and Sunday 1-5.

You might also want to visit these other points of interest:

Great Plains Black Museum, 2213 Lake St., the most complete exhibit on Black history west of the Mississippi. Open Weekdays from 3-5.

Henry Doorly Zoo, 10th and Deer Park Blvd., some 500 mammals and collections of rare cats and waterfowl. Weekdays from 10 - 6, but closes for the season October 31. For more of the visual arts, try the Artists' Cooperative Gallery, 424 S. 11th St.; the Old Market Craftsmen's Guild, 511 S. 11th St., and the exceptional University of Nebraska at Omaha Gallery at 133 S. Elmwood Road (just west of the UNO Library).

The Orpheum Theatre, 409 S. 16th St., completely restored in 1974, is the home of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra, Opera Omaha, and the Omaha Ballet. You'll want to check the JMRT booth for the current happenings at the Orpheum as well as these additional theaters: the Firehouse Dinner Theater, an old fire station converted into an elegant theater, at 514 S. 11th St. in the old Market; the Omaha Magic Theatre, 1417 Farnam St., and the Omaha Community Playhouse, 6915 Cass St.

The **Puppet Theatre Museum**, 511 S. 11th St., features a display of puppets from local and international puppeteers, a resource library and repair service, and puppet shows on Friday and Saturday. Open Tuesday - Sunday, 1-5.

Strategic Air Command Headquarters and Strategic Aerospace Museum, 2510 Clay in Bellevue. SAC, of course, is the nerve-center for the U. S. global air defense system. You'll want to visit the base library, too.

Union Pacific Railroad Historical Museum, 1415 Dodge St., has exhibits on the first transcontinental railroad and the development of the West. Open Monday-Friday, 9-5, and Saturday, 1-5.

Western Heritage Museum, in the classic Old Union Station, 801 S. 10th St., is operated by the Western Heritage Society, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the Old Union Pacific Railroad Station and its establishment as a history and science museum. Open Tuesday-Sunday.

#### **Shopping**

For shopping, it's the **Old Market**, 10th and Howard St. With its canopied, treelined, brick walks lining cobblestone streets, it has, in addition to the Firehouse Dinner Theater and the art galleries, enough boutiques, specialty shops, pubs, and restaurants to keep you busy a full day. Downtown Omaha is close-by, too, in the area of 16th and Dodge.

#### Restaurants

Nebraska's restaurants serve the best beef in the country, but you will find, too, a surprising array of good ethnic and continental restaurants, with lower prices and larger portions than in many major American cities.

Beef Barron, at the Hilton, steaks and other mainstream favorites in a dining room overlooking downtown. Moderate to expensive.

Bohemian Cafe, 1406 S. 13th St., separates the enthusiastic eaters from the

nibblers. Roast poultry, sauerbraten, dumplings, and strudels served in the Old World way in a charming setting. Low.

Cafe de Paris, 1228 S. 6th St., perhaps the city's most sophisticated eating experience . . . you'll savor every continental course. Reservations required. Expensive.

Caniglia's Steak and Pizza House, 1114 S. 7th St., the original homestead of Omaha's first family of Italian steakhouses, and Caniglia's World, 1700 Farnam St., the steak-penthouse atop the Woodmen Tower, downtown's tallest building. Low to moderate.

Deano's Greek Village, 1004 Farnam St., stuff yourself on stuffed grape leaves, and don't forget the ouzo. Reservations recommended. Moderate to expensive.

Frankie and Phyl's Cafe, 1208 S. 24th St. Not fancy, but the Costanzos cook the best fresh Italian specialties. The portions are big, the prices low.

The French Cafe, 1017 Howard St. Fortune Magazine said, "... intelligent imagination truly reigns in the kitchen." French cuisine with a taste of class. Reservations recommended. Moderate to expensive.

King Fong Cafe, 315 S. 16th St. Half a century old and adorned with the sort of ornate Oriental ornaments no restaurant could afford today. Cantonese and American. Low.

Mister C's, 5319 N. 30th St. Another Caniglia treat. Steaks and Italian specialties. Low to moderate, but mostly low.

My Mama's Bistro and Deli, 1321 Jones St. Great deli food and sandwiches. Moderate.

M's Pub, 422 S. 11th St. One of a kind. A lavishly appointed bar in the Old Market district. Drinks, salads, sandwiches and soups. Moderate to moderately expensive.

Old Market Spaghetti Works, 502 S. 11th St. Spaghetti in a dozen different sauces. Low.

Old Vienna Cafe, 4829 S. 24th St. Soups, sausages, poultry, dumplings, kraut and bread that will make stouthearted men of cringing cowards. Low.

V. Mertz, 1022 Howard St. Imported and fresh gourmet foods and fine wines. Inside the Old Market Passageways. Moderate to expensive.

Live music? Try the Howard Street Tavern, at 1112 Howard St., and the Wine Cellar at the Firehouse Dinner Theater, in the old Market.

#### **Alternative Hotels and Motels**

Alternatives to the Hilton, close-by or easily accessible by bus or cab: Continental Tower Motor Hotel, 2121 Douglas St. (about six blocks from the Hilton); Airport Inn Motor Hotel (Best Western), Eppley Airfield, 3 restaurants in the airport, pool; Granada Royale Hometel, 7270 Cedar St., breakfast in the

courtyard, pool, sauna; New Tower Inn, 7764 Dodge St., two restaurants, pool, sauna; Ramada Inn-Airport, Abbott Drive and Locus St., two restaurants; Travel Lodge Motel, 3902 Dodge. A reminder from our Omaha connection: most of these establishments have 800 numbers for advance reservations.

Interested?? Want to know more of this "best kept secret?" "Drive, walk, fly, take the train, ride your horse (or bike), come by balloon," but do join us — in Omaha — MPLA/NLA — October 30 - November 1.

Thanks Marla Bouton and Jacky Miller of NLA/JMRT and the Conference Committee for this rundown of the attractions of Omaha!

# Conference Plans for After Dark

The conference begins officially with the Opening of the Exhibits and the Presidents' Wine and Cheese Reception on Thursday, October 30, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Then, for an evening of fun and entertainment, join our hosts from the Trustees Section at the Upstairs Dinner Theater at 221 South 19th Street, within walking distance of the Hilton. For \$12 you'll get a Super Salad Bar (16 feet of

over 25 salads), two gourmet meat entrees with vegetables and more, followed by **Goodbye Charlie!** — live theatre with professional actors. The doors open at 6:00 p.m., the buffet runs from 6:30-7:30, the Pre-show at 7:30, and the show at 8:00 p.m.

On Friday, October 31, the costume ball should help you forget that you're missing the tricks and treats at home. This party is planned for the old Union Pacific Railroad Station, where you'll be able to dance, drink, and nibble while making new friends and renewing friendships from the last conference.

And Saturday night is the awards banquet, for which you can get all dressed up for the elegant dinner and the talk by futurist Joel Barker, "Librarians and Riding the Wave of the Future: Information Technologies in the 80's."

So make your reservations on the registration form, and enjoy your evenings in Omaha with food, fun, and frolic

#### Preconference on Planning Process for Public Libraries at Omaha

To introduce state library agency personnel and public librarians and trustees

to the new manual, A Planning Process for Public Libraries, the Public Library Association is sponsoring an all-day preconference workshop, Thursday, October 30, at the Hilton-Red Lion Hotel in Omaha. The program is designed to explain and clarify the reading of the manual, which will be sent to all participants prior to the preconference.

Ronald A. Dubberly, PLA Past President and director of the Seattle Public Library, will explain the background and development of A Planning Process, which was funded by the U.S.O.E. and developed by King Research with the assistance of PLA; Mary Jo Lynch, director of the ALA Office for Research, will present a general overview of the process with an emphasis on the Seven Basic Steps. In addition four small-group sessions will run concurrently. Participants at the time they register will select three of the four sessions they wish to attend.

Registration for this preconference program will be made directly to ALA/Public Library Association using the registration form on page 11. Upon receipt of the registration forms and fees, registrants will receive prior to the workshop (1) confirmation, (2) final program, (3) a copy of A Planning Process (which sells for \$12), and (4) group selection form.



#### Dorothy J. Middleton

Librarian at East High School since 1969, Dorothy Middleton is a nine-year member of MPLA, having served as Wyoming Representative in 1972-73, Secretary of the School Section in 1974 and chairman of the section in 1978. She was also MPLA Secretary in 1977 and served the remainder of the unexpired term in 1979.

Dorothy is also an active member of WLA for which she served as chairman of its School Section and represented Wyoming in Washington, D.C., in 1976 at Legislative Day. She is also a member of ALA and served as chairman of the Wyoming Library Week.

Dorothy received her BS in education from the University of Nevada and a Master of Arts in Library Science from the University of Denver.

She sees the MPLA region receiving national attention as it continues its steady growth and wants to see MPLA do even more than at present with continuing education for the working librarian to help them improve their skills and learn about new developments.

#### Donald T. Schmidt

A long-time member of MPLA and most recently the Utah Representative to the Association, Donald T. Schmidt has been director of the Library-Archives, Historical Department of the Church of lesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at Salt Lake City since 1972. Prior to assuming this position, he was with Brigham Young University Library for fourteen years, the last six as Assistant Director of Libraries. Prior to becoming a librarian, he taught in public schools in Iowa and Utah. He obtained his bachelors and masters degrees in history from the University of Iowa and his MLS from the University of Denver.

Don's library experience also includes service as reference coordinator, gifts and exchange librarian, history and religion subject specialist, and assistant special collections librarian, all at BYU. In his present position he is responsible for the library materials as well as the archival materials of the LDS Church.

Active professionally, Don is a member of ALA, MPLA, ULA, Special Library Association, the Society of American Archivists, Conference of Intermountain Archivists, and National Micrographics Association.

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#### Recording Secretary



#### Melody Kuehn

Currently the assistant director at the Minot Public Library, Melody Kuehn has formerly had positions as adult services librarian, director of Information and Referral Center, information services librarian, and Region II Library Planning Coordinator at the library. She received her B.S. from Dickinson State College and her MA in librarianship from the University of Denver.

Melody has been a member of MPLA for ten years, receiving the MPLA Scholarship in 1973 and serving as a member of Scholarship Committee, the the Nominating Committee, and the hostess

for the One-on-One Program.

In the community, she has been past president and member of the Minot Inter-Agency Council, member and officer of the Ward County Heart Unit, member of BPW, the Dakota Affiliate of the American Heart Association. She is also a member of NDLA and ALA.

#### **Carol White**

Head cataloger at the University of Wyoming Library, Carol White has been at the UW Library since 1969. She received her BA at the University of New Hampshire and her MALS from the University of Denver.

Active in professional organizations, Carol has been a member of MPLA since 1969 and has served as chairperson of both the JMRT and the Technical Services Section and a member of a number of committees. She was also president of WLA in 1978-79, and is a member of ALA and the MPLA representative to the RTSD Council of Regional Groups.

Carol wants to remain active in MPLA, recognizing that it "provides the professional atmosphere necessary for librarians with common interests and problems to become acquainted and informed."

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#### MPLA Section Candidates

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Glen Sunvold, librarian, Mt. Marty College, Yankton, South Dakota

Secretary

Joseph (Jay) Paulukonis, director, Dakota State College Library, Madison, South Dakota

Elizabeth Ralph, Colorado State University Library, Ft. Collins

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Fran Hoehle, serials librarian, North Dakota State University, Fargo.

Paula Hock, Chapman Branch librarian, Salt Lake City Public Library, Utah

Secretary

**Connie Lamb,** computer search librarian, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

Susan May, formerly information librarian for Northern Nebraska Library Network, and now seeking employment

#### **Public Library Section**

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Hailie Gunn, Elko County Library, Nevada

Jerald A. Merrick, Salina Public Library, Kansas

Secretary

Daniel Siebersima, George Amos Memorial Library, Gillette, Wyoming

**Robert Audretsch,** Three Rivers Library Service System, New Castle, Colorado

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Gretchen Redfield, Library Consultant, Denver, Colorado

Secretary

Alvina Desjardins, Colorado State Library, Denver

Mary Sue Streeper, Wyoming State Library, Cheyenne

#### **State Library Section**

Vice-chairperson/Chairperson Elect

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Jeff Fox, planning director, North Dakota State Library, Bismarck Secretary

Jerry Krois, reference and interlibrary loans, Wyoming State Library, Cheyenne

Dorothy Liegl, public library consultant, South Dakota State Library, Pierre

#### **Children & School Section**

Vice-chairperson/Chairperson Elect

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Virginia Johnson, University School, University of Wyoming, Laramie

Secretary

Honey Lou Bonar, children's librarian, Hastings Public Library, Nebraska

Brian Lewis, director, Brigham City Public Library, Utah

#### **Trustee Section**

Chairperson

Claryce Erickson, president, board of trustees, Ward County Library, Minot, North Dakota

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### **Around the Region**

#### Colorado

# Colorado Library Association Plans Fall Conference

The Colorado Library Association will hold its annual conference at Tamarron near Durango, CO, on November 5-8, 1980. The theme will be **The Library Connection** with all programs centering on this theme.

A preconference is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5 with the topic The Electronic Library; Looking at the 1980's Through Television. The preconference begins at 9:00 a.m. and will include representatives from all types of video formats including the new quarter inch and video disc. The second part of the program includes programming ideas currently in use in the state.

The conference opens Wednesday evening with a general session beginning at 7 p.m. Ken Dowlin, Director, Pikes Pike Regional Library District, will present a paper on Library Services in the '80's; The True Connection. Exhibits open Thursday at 9 a.m., continuing until 5 p.m. and again Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Each division of the Colorado Library Association will be taking an in-depth look at the Association and its relationship to libraries in Colorado during the various business meetings.

The Para-Librarians Round Table will meet on Thursday and their program is entitled What You Are Is Where You Were When. Technical Services Round Table will sponsor a program on Do You Know Your Headings, which relates to AACR II. Thursday programs also include Networking: The Ultimate Connection; Public Relations and Publicity: The Image Connection; and Library Collections: The Resource Connection. Other programs include Legislative Review of '80 and a Look at '81, by the Legislative Committee; and the Junior Members Round Table Program Job Search Strategies. Thursday activities will conclude with entertainment by Chuck Johnson of Durango presenting an outstanding program, The Men of '98, a dramatic acting and reading of Robert Service poetry.

Friday, November 7, includes business meetings and programs. Trustees and Citizens are discussing The Automated Connection - Communications and Changes in the '80's; and plan a tour of the Center for Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College. Friends Round Table Program is entitled So You Want To Be A Friend. Programming for 16mm Films is the topic of the Public Library Division

Program. College and University Division and School Library Division will have programs on Friday. A no host cocktail party featuring German Music and Awards Dinner will conclude the Friday Schedule. Wes McJulian, President of AECT, will give the Awards Dinner address on the topic of media and book connection.

Business meetings and repeats of previous programs will end the last day with a final general session, Saturday, regarding what CLA should be doing in the coming years. The conference closes at 1:30 p.m., Nov. 8.

Room rates are very nominal and the accomodations in a lovely setting. Transportation is to be arranged via chartered bus and planes. For further information contact Jan Beck or John Ison at Drawer B, Durango, CO 81301.

#### Honors for Adams Co. 12

Adams County School District No. 12 received National Finalist honors in the 8th annual competition for the School Library Media Program of the Year recognizing U. S. school systems for achievement in providing exemplary library media programs at the elementary level.

The award, presented by the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) and the Encyclopedia Britannica Companies, cited the Colorado school system "for outstanding achievement in providing exemplary library media programs in its elementary schools."

The sponsors particularly praised the district's commitment not only to support, but to enhance and expand, the media service program. "Quality education today, as evidenced in your district, requires not only the provision of a variety of media resources for use by teachers and students, but also the programs which make those resources an integral part of each student's total learning experience. As one of only four school systems in the nation whose achievement is being recognized this year, your district should serve as an inspiration to others," they said.

Irvine (California) Unified School District was selected from among the nominees to receive the 1980 national title. Presentation of citations to all national award winners was made by AASL and Britannica officials at ceremonies in the four school communities this spring. (Source: Colorado State Library Newsletter, April-May, 1980.)

#### Kansas

#### Einstein Exhibit Making Impact

Einstein: Image and Impact, a major exhibit celebrating the centennial of Albert Einstein, has been making its way across the state of Kansas. This handsome exhibit consists of eighteen panels which explain, in layman's terms, how Einstein developed his scientific works.

By the 23rd of August the exhibit will have been seen in 22 public libraries throughout the state. The exhibit is set up for a week in each library. During this special Einstein Week a program is presented in addition to the display. A film entitled "Einstein: Education of a Genius" is part of the package each library receives. This interesting film is narrated by Peter Ustinov; it traces Einstein's early years, childhood, student days, and his early career. There are film clips of Einstein explaining his theories. His love of music, nature, and his childlike sense of wonder shine through the film. A humanist, selected by the local library, presents a program — quite often it is a dialogue between a humanist and a scientist, discussing the fascinating relation between science and our modern world

The exhibit was developed under a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and sponsored by the Kansas Committee for the Humanities. It is coordinated thru a grant to the Pioneer Memorial Library in Colby, and JoAnne Sunderman, assistant librarian is the Project Director.

This Centennial exhibit is enabling Kansans to take an in-depth look at Einstein, the world's best known symbol not only of science but also of human thought at its highest. Kansas libraries are proud to be a part of this fine program.

#### Nebraska

# Nebraska Developing a Conservation Planning Document

Librarians, archivists, conservators, and historical society staff met in Lincoln on April 1 for a conservation planning conference. The conference was led by Howard Lowell, Director of the Western States Materials Conservation Project. Conference participants discussed Nebraska's conservation needs and

recommended actions for satisfying those needs. Seven of the participants are now members of a committee, chaired by Karen L. Sampson, to draft a conservation planning document for Nebraska. In June, Ms. Sampson and Judith Fortson-Jones, a committee member, attended the Western States Materials Conservation Project Feasibility Colloquium, a regional effort to develop an action plan to meet conservation needs of the West. Committee members will coordinate their efforts toward a Nebraska materials conservation plan with the activities of others toward a regional conservation program.

#### Bellevue Public Library Buys Home Computer

Using profits from the library's photocopier service, Bellevue Public Library recently purchased and installed a home computer complete with instructional aids and preprogrammed learning materials.

The Texas Instruments Model 99/4 computer offers many programmed packages that can be used for education, entertainment or practical consumer information. Modules on "Early Learning Fun," "Beginning Grammar," "Football" and "Household Budget Planning" are now available for public use. Others on order are "Chess," "Number Magic," "Financial Planning" and "Fitness."

"Most interest has come from experienced users," Jim Dertien, library director, said, "especially junior high and high school kids who can make this equipment do everything but dance. We have recently allowed free use to anyone of a demonstrator program in hopes that a preview of the many things the computer can do would attract more users," he added.

Future plans for using the computer include acquiring more modules, a printer and necessary equipment to allow linkage with other computers.

"To date we have not applied the equipment to any library projects," Jim said, "but once we have expanded the storage capacity we will more than likely put together some programs to handle overdues, periodical receipt records, and continuations control. We may also use it for some word processing activities." (Source: NLC Overtones, June 25, 1980.)

#### **North Dakota**

# North Dakota State University Dedicates Library Addition

The final finishing touches are being added to the NDSU library addition that was dedicated on May 23. Dr. Beverly P. Lynch, a 1957 graduate of the school who is now dean and director of the Library at the University of Illinois, Chicago Circle, delivered the dedicatory address. Because of her outstanding contribution to the library profession and her publishing record among other praiseworthy activities, Dr. Lynch was also awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters degree the following day at the commencement exercises.

The addition increases the floor space by 41,000 square feet, and the 58,000 square feet existing building, dedicated in 1950, is being extensively remodeled. The new facilities will provide housing for the library's 337,000 volumes as well as conference rooms, group studies, an all-night study space with vending machines, a well-equipped media center, graduate and faculty studies, map room, display space, typing rooms, photocopy facilities on each floor, a microforms area, and space for about 400 additional individual carrels.

"With all floors carpeted, ceilings acoustically tiled, along with bright colors on accent walls, the entire building with its equipment, staff, and services will be a source of pride for the entire state and should serve as a model for library planners for years to come," commented K. L. Janecek, director.

#### Utah

# Books Served with Meals-on-Wheels

A Books-on-Wheels program has begun in Brigham City and is sponsored by the Brigham City Public Library. Brian Lewis, head librarian, indicated that the program is an out-reach effort for the homebound. Tapes and books are brought to those who use the Meals-on-Wheels. Book orders are made up in advance at the library, bundled, labeled with the names of the book borrowers and delivered to the Meals-on-Wheels food kitchen to go to the patron. (Source: Horsefeathers, June-July 1980.)

### **About You**

Janus Olsen, having served as director of the Mitchell (South Dakota) Public Library since 1973, will be the new director of the Alexander Mitchell Public Library in Aberdeen.

Brian Lewis, director of the Brigham City Public Library and chairman of the MPLA Public Relations Committee, was presented "the librarian service award" by the local Eagles Auxiliary. He was cited for his innovative ideas in providing library service to the residents of the area.

Dr. Virginia Opocensky, coordinator of Young People's Services, Lincoln City Libraries, received one of six Charles Scribner's Sons Awards of \$325 granted to librarians working directly with children to attend their first annual ALA conference. Dr. Opocensky has had previous experience with the Lincoln Public Schools and was an instructor of Children's Literature at the University of Nebraska.

Joyce Ball, public services librarian at the University of Nevada, Reno, has accepted the appointment as director of the California State University Library at Sacramento. Joyce had been assistant chief of the Documents Division at Stanford before coming to Reno.

Joan Zenan, director, Savitt Medical Library, University of Nevada, Reno, was one of three recipients selected from 32 applicants for the Health Sciences Library Management Intern Program. She will be serving as an intern at the Columbia Health Sciences Library at Columbia University in New York City. The internship program is funded by the National Library of Medicine.

Roger Hanson, director of the Marriott Library at the University of Utah, has been appointed to succeed Donald B. Simpson as the BCR representative to the OCLC Users Council. Mary Reid, Southwest Missouri State University is first alternate delegate and Amy Owen, Utah State Library, second alternate.

Marc Galbraith, director of reference, Kansas State Library, received a 1980 JMRT Shirley M. Olofson Memorial Award. The awards provide financial assistance to young librarians to attend their second ALA Annual Conference. The recipients are chosen on the basis of clarity of purpose in their reasons for desiring to attend their second ALA conference, their potential for becoming involved in and contributing to ALA, and their demonstrated commitment to the profession.

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Mary Ellen Class, head of the Oral History Project at the University of Nevada, Reno Library, has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Nevada State Museum for her "contribution to the oral history of the state." The UNR Oral History Project focuses on the gaming, tourist, and entertainment industries as well as such other topics as journalism, medicine, transportation, society, education, and politics.

Dr. JoAn S. Segal has been appointed assistant executive director and acting executive director of the Bibliographical Center for Research. Segal joined the BCR staff in 1978 as manager of the Resource Sharing Program and became director of the Resource Sharing Division in July 1980. Until a new executive director is appointed, Segal and BCR "will take measures to enhance services to its participants."

William L. Stewart, Jr., has been named Coordinator of Technical Services at the University of Wyoming Libraries, effective August 1. Stewart comes to Wyoming from the University of Texas at San Antonio, where he was assistant director for technical services. He has also worked at the libraries of the University of South Florida, Tampa, and Georgia State College, Atlanta, and was associated briefly with Richard Abel & Co., an academic book jobber. He obtained his MSLS from the University of North Carolina and an MBA from Texas (San Antonio).

Leslie K. Lunas, a recent graduate of the University of Oregon Library School, has joined the University of Wyoming Libraries as a reference librarian in the Science and Technology Library.

Reta King, head librarian at Chadron State College, retired on June 30 after 24 years, 20 years as head librarian. She plans to volunteer to improve the college archives and to research historical areas just because she wants to do it. During her career she has served as consultant for many schools in Nebraska, president of NLA, and one of the organizers of PELAR-CON (Postsecondary Educational Libraries and Resource Centers of Nebraska.)

Susan Holmes has transferred from cataloging to the reference department at Utah State Library. Her duties will include supervision of inter-library loans, computer searches and the children's collection.

# Continuing Education

Date: September 26, 1980

# Title: Literature of Health Care Administration

Sponsor: Colorado Council of Medical Librarians

Location: Johns-Manville Corporation Headquarters, Denver

Cost: \$50 (MLA members) \$75 (nonmembers)

Description: This course is designed for librarians - especially hospital librarians - who need help in finding material for those users who are looking for information on health care administration. The course will cover indexes and journals as well as publishers in the field. On completion of the course, the participant should be able to select and use appropriate indexes and be able to locate information related to specific aspects of health care administration.

Contact: Mrs. Susan B. Higginbotham, librarian, Lutheran Medical Center, 8300 West 38th Avenue, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033, Phone 303-425-8565.

Date: September 8-11, 1980.

### Title: Statistical Methods for Professional Librarians

Sponsor: Department of Conferences, The Library School, University of Minnesota.

Location: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

Cost: \$200

Description: This workshop will focus on the Analysis of Library Survey Data Using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). While a familiarity with basic statistics would be helpful, no prior statistical or computer experience is necessary. The course will cover Creating a Data Matrix for SPSS, Setting Up an SPSS Deck, Debugging an SPSS Deck, Running the Statistical Programs including frequency distributions, t-tests, chisquare, simple analysis of variance, simple regression analysis, and multiple regression analysis.

Contact: Ann Dickason, program director, Department of Conferences, Nolte Center, 315 Pillsbury Drive S. E., Minneapolis, MN 55455. Phone 612-376-2578.

Date: November 3-4, 1980

# Title: Conference on Theoretical and Philosophical Foundations of AARC-2

Sponsor: Graduate School of Librarian-

ship and Information Management, University of Denver

Location: Denver, Colorado

Contact: Dr. Nabil Hamdy, Graduate School of Librarianship and Information Management, University of Denver, Denver, CO 80208. Phone 303-753-2557.

### **Joblist**

Deadline: September 16, 1980 Position: **State Librarian** 

Library: South Dakota State Library, Pierre, South Dakota

Salary: \$20,000 to \$24,000 D.O.E.

Responsibilities: Administration of comprehensive library system which includes oversight of state library, coordination of services with the state's library system, relations with external organizations which contract with the state for services, and related work as required.

Qualifications: Graduate of an ALA accredited library school; five years professional employment in a public or state library agency; demonstrated strong administrative skills including grantsmanship, program development, and organizational skills; and a demonstrated ability to work with a governing board.

Apply with resume, four professional references and job history to Harris J. Wollman, Ed.D., Secretary of Education and Cultural Affairs, Kneip Building, Pierre, SD 57501.

Deadline: September 29, 1980
Position: Assistant Reference Librarian
Library: Milton M. Briggs Library, South
Dakota State University, Brookings.

Salary: \$12,500 minimum.

Responsibilities: Performs general reference service and share responsibility for bibliographic instruction and library tours. Assists in the verification of interlibrary loan requests, participates in book selection, and performs online bibliographic searches. This is a 12-month, tenure track position.

Qualifications: ALA accredited MLS required, second masters desired. Preference given to those with backgrounds in Humanities and Social

Sciences.

Apply with resume, academic credentials, and three letters of recommendation to Leon Raney, Dean of Libraries, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD 57007. An AA/EEO employer.



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