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Douglas P. Hindmarsh In Memoriam

On December 7,1994, our good friend and colleague Doug Hindmarsh passed away after a sudden illness. Doug had only a month earlier assumed the duties of vicepresident/president-elect of MPLA.

Doug received his MLS from Brigham Young University in 1968, and went on to serve his profession and its public well. He started his professional library career as a cataloger and library science instructor for the H.B. Lee Library at Brigham Young University.

Five years later Doug moved into the public library field, at the Salt Lake County Library System. He worked in various capacities, including Coordinator of Public Services, Information Center Department Head at the Whitmore Library, and Branch Librarian at the Kearns Library.

In May, 1977 Doug moved to the State Library Division (known then as the State Library Commission). He started as Assistant Director of Reference Services and moved up to Director of that program. When the State Library Division was reorganized and the Reference Program was folded into the Information Services Program, Doug assumed the new position of Coordinator of Federal Grants (later to be the Coordinator of Federal and State Grants). He developed the federal grants program into a vital service to public libraries throughout the state, developing the LSCA handbook, revitalizing the Advisory Council and helping librarians in writing grant proposals.

When the State Library Division started the consulting program for public libraries, Doug was one of the first wave of consultants to hit the road to help libraries throughout the state. Many librarians will attest to his helpfulness and expertise in answering their questions and solving their problems.

Doug was also active in his state, regional and national library associations. In ALA he was most highly involved in the Public Library Association, serving on several committees and working with the Small and Medium-Sized Library Section, where he served as Director and a member of the Planning Committee. As always, he was concerned with the affairs of the small library.

Doug's committee work in the Utah Library Association is too numerous to recount.

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He also served in several elected capacities including Chair of NPRT, Public Library Section Board, and ULA Representative to MPLA.

The Mountain Plains Library Association is another group which will miss Doug's leadership and expertise. He served on practically every standing committee that MPLA has, serving as Chair of more than one of them. As ULA's representative to MPLA, he served on the MPLA Board for six years. This past fall he was elected Vice-President/President-Elect, and we all regret that we will not see the results of his presidency.

Doug had many interests outside of the library. He was an accomplished musician and always enjoyed good music. His was an eclectic taste, his only criteria was that the music be played well. He was a voracious reader, a collector of fine art, a walker, and a great friend. He will be missed by all.

He was a librarian of the highest calibre. I am certain that he dealt with every job as he did those assignments at the Utah State Library where I first worked with him. His attention to detail undoubtedly made him an excellent cataloger at BYU., His various assignments at the Salt Lake County Library system gave him a solid background in reference work and public service. He was a superb reference librarian—the age or education of his patron did not alter the effort he expended to answer the question. Doug was thorough, meticulous, conscientious and prepared in his various assignments.

> —Mary Southwell, friend

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The Utah Library Associartion has established a professional development fund in memory of Doug Hindmarsh. The fund will be used to sent Utah library staff members to a conference, seminar, workshop, etc. which will help them in their professional development. Guidelines for appropriate uses,

application procedures and methods will be established and posted later. Contributions should be sent to the Utah Library Association, 2150 S 300 W Suite 16, Salt Lake City, UT 84115-2579. You should include a note to the effect that the funds are designated for the Douglas P. Hindmarsh Professional Development Fund.

MPLA Board Encourages Members to Contribute

At their January 21 meeting, MPLA Executive Board paid tribute to Doug Hindmarsh in a discussion about the many ways he had contributed to MPLA

The Board felt that the Utah Library Association's professional development grant fund established in Doug's memory was very appropriate and encouraged its members to consider donating to it.

Judy Zelenski Elected Vice-President/ **President-Elect**

Judy Zelenski, Assistant Director of the Central Colorado Library System, Wheat Ridge, CO, has been elected by the MPLA membership as their new Vice-President/ President-Flect.

Judy was named CLA's Librarian of the Year this past year.

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"Libraries: the Peak **Experience**" Lynn Ossolinski **Conference Chair** NLA/MPLA **Conference 1994**

A hush descended on the villageafter 561 noisy librarians left. Yes, the NLA/MPLA combined conference is over and the village returns to its silent, snowy ways, but what a novel time we had. Now, relaxed at my desk at last, I will slather the sweet frosting of gratitude on the mountainous crew that worked on this peak experience.

Lexpress my personal appreciation for all the support the Nevada Library Association gave to me in organizing the library conference: "Libraries: the Peak Experience". For the first time in history Incline Village hosted a major library conference. On October 26-31, 1994, the Nevada Library Association and The Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA) combined for a conference at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. The Mountain Plains Library Association includes eleven states (AZ, UT, SD, ND, CO, MT, WY, NV, OK, KS, NE).

The National Commission for Library and Information Science (NCLIS) from Washington DC held an official government meeting during the conference. The chairman of NCLIS, Jeanne Hurley Simon presented an inspirational speech on the Promise of The Information Highway. Martha Gould, Washoe County Library Director and member of NCLIS, made all the arrangements for this firsttime-NCLIS meeting-in-the-West. A special lunch in honor of Jeanne Simon included a surprise appearance by a Chautauquan William Chrystal as Edward Lovejoy, son of Elijah Lovejoy. Jeanne's husband Senator Paul Simon's hobby is researching Lovejoy.

Famous author, Leo Buscaglia, made his last public speaking appearance as the keynoter at the first general session. Leo Buscaglia stayed as long as it took to "hug" everyone who attended. Leo lives in South Shore and is a patron of the Lake Tahoe Branch Library at Zephyr Cove. Director of that library, Patty Timmens, negotiated to bring Leo to us.

"Libraries: The Peak Experience"

It was an inspirational speech, full of laughs and tears. Leo set the tone of harmony that extended throughout the conference. Leo taught us to take a look at our attitudes; put a smile on our face; have eye contact in elevators; wait patiently in line and in traffic; and never reject an invitation to a party.

Exhibitors and local businesses provided raffle prizes for our very successful raffle. Sally Kinsey and Leona Wright wore leis of raffle tickets around their neck and were much relieved on Friday in the Exhibits to dispense all the prizes. Sally and Leona's enthusiasm spread good will and boosted NLA coffers.

The Hyatt Hotel's Suzanne Taylor was especially helpful in all the convention arrangements, including developing a southern menu for Mcavoy Layne's Mark Twain Dinner. The great friend of Nevada libraries, Mcavoy Layne, did an outstanding portrayal of Mark Twain. His wit and wisdom included some political humor that didn't agree with some NCLIS members.

Librarians also enjoyed a special night at the Ponderosa. Sue Cole, local arrangements chair, persuaded owner Julienne Anderson to make special effort to keep the Ponderosa open beyond their usual season closing for our fun night. A tour of the filming site of TV's Bonanza and the replica of a western town preceded the ribs and BBQ chicken meal. What followed was entertainment by a western band and dancing in the saloon. A special guest for the evening was Senator Richard Bryan. Joan Kerschner made the arrangement for Senator Bryan to join us.

This massive event was the result of a year and a half of planning. Because of the planning committee of 35, endless meetings, telephone calls, FAXs, mailings, and panic attacks the conference that MPLA doubted we could pull off, the conference happened. Sue Cole and I found a cure for panic attacks at Mofo's, the local pizza place. We found that we could talk, eat Italian, make lists, complain, and rejoice all at the same time and in a half an hour.

Susan Antipa, librarian at Sierra Nevada College was in charge of all registration. She was assisted by community members, Jan Dyer and Patty Franklin. The registration desk was staffed by SNC students and by members of the local literacy organization, the Reading Center of North Tahoe: Maryellen Eisenhauer, Liz Weston, Emma Usinger, and Alice Gausselin. Luckily during the last intense rush of registration, Susan hired Theresa Martin, a graphic artist. Theresa proceeded to produce lovely name tags. Susan impressed us all with her efficiency, attention to detail, and grasp of the huge project.

The evaluation forms collected by Jan Bachman, Becky Weinkauf and Wilma Barlow gave top reviews to the conference. Comments included praise for the great service at the Hyatt; good, but pricy meals; the charm of the Ponderosa; the beauty of Lake Tahoe; and the perfect fall weather. Some wanted to come back every year!

The most highly rated programs were: the first general session with Leo Buscaglia; "Human Communications Technology" by Pat Wagner owner of Patter Research in Denver sponsored by MPLA; "Intellectual Freedom: the Joy of Censorship" featuring Joe Raiola, editor of MAD magazine sponsored by Suzy Sepahpour, NLA Intellectual Freedom chair; and "Humor as a Quality of Leadership" featuring Will Manley and Richard Lee, sponsored by Duncan McCoy, NLA PLAN/NALT chair.

Fine programming was do to the constant efforts of Laura Oki, Program Chair. Laura met with Blaine Hall, MPLA President-elect, in Windover, NV, on several occasions to confer on accepting program requests, evaluating costs and contracts., and putting the final program together. Laura had the 650 programs printed. Each section chair in NLA and MPLA submitted program ideas, both groups had to agree on accepting the program. The results were excellent and balanced programming that reflected the interest of all librarians. Many thanks to the section chairs for designing such great programs.

One of the biggest anxieties for the planning committee was the fear that we would not fill our room guarantee. Not only did we fill our quota, we doubled it. The goal of publicity chair Gretchen DeRicco was to get the word out as quickly and comprehensively as possibly. Gretchen launched an aggressive campaign—brochures were sent to each state conference and state newsletters in '93; hotel registration envelopes were included in the Highroller; every member of each state library organization received a copy of the convention issue of the MPLA newsletter; a post cart from the Hyatt was sent to each member of MPLA and NLA; a letter of invitation to library directors in northern California; a special convention issue of the Highroller went to all Nevada librarians.

Thanks are in order to Gary Avent for his cooperation and support. He rose to the occasion as our NLA President and provided an excellent speaker in Howard Hickson at the President's Dinner. I'll never forget the beautiful bouquet presented to me at that time. Ronelle Thompson, the MPLA President, presented me with a tiny box as a remembrance from MPLA; she was a delight. Her sense of humor carried us through many difficult negotiations.

Pre-conference activities help to boost registration. Bonnie Buckley, pre-conference chair, put on a day long Chautauqua featuring five portrayals. Clay Jenkinson did a riveting Thomas Jefferson. Bonnie did a terrific publicity job on the Chautauqua. It was so popular that it may be a yearly event under the stewardship of Sierra Nevada College.

The opening of exhibits was dazzling in the Hyatt ballroom, with 54 exhibits and 78 exhibitors. The exhibits and exhibitors were as pleasant as they were elegant. Exhibits Co-Chairs Larry Tinker and Diane Baker made it all seem effortless. All spaces were sold out. Many exhibitors commented on the excellent facilities. They were barely ten feet from the casino!

Our treasurer, Carolyn Rawles-Heiser was on duty all conference and after, reeling from the Hyatt bill and dividing the funds with MPLA. All in all, we hope to make a profit of several thousand dollars.

This conference truly was a peak experience. Everyone involved put forth great effort to make it so. There was harmony, cooperation and dedication as illustrated by Windell Huffman, A-V Chair. Windell borrowed equipment from many libraries and put it in the right room at the right time. This was an enormous task that resulted in an enormous saving to us.

Librarians have a challenge to be the leaders in information services, Incline provided a perfect place to energize and prepare for that service.



Around the Region



Expanding the World of Information

The Safford City-Graham County Library celebrated the opening of their Teleconference Center with a live presentation of The International Video Conference On the Electronic Library. Many local librarians, representing schools, public libraries and prison libraries, attended the session.

Safford's teleconference facility is the result of an LSCA grant. The purpose of the grant is to provide a central location for the viewing of a wide variety of programs that are telecast via satellite, such as continuing education opportunities and commercial programs. Glen Dowdle, Library Superintendent in Graham County predicted that once "the teleconference center is operational, rural locations such as are found here in the Gila Valley and Graham County will have ready access to opportunities that might have required travel to a larger metropolitan area.

"Through the grant, the Safford-Graham County Library has purchased and installed equipment such as a satellite dish receiver, video projector and wide screen monitor within the library's meeting room. This will allow staff, as well as librarians from the surrounding rural counties, to participate in the many available video conferences. (Arizona Libraries Newsweek, December 19)



Colorado Residents Get On-Ramp to the Information Highway

Soon, even the smallest and most remote of Colorado libraries will have the resources to fully participate on-line in the statewide and national information infra structure as a result of a new grant. The Colorado Department of Education's State Library and Adult Education Office will expand its statewide electronic library network through a \$2.49 million grant awarded by the US. Department of Education in September

1994. A key component of the project will be to train librarians on how to assist their patrons in using this new resource to enhance many aspects of their lives, such as community affairs, education, business, health, social services, and personal growth.

Colorado was one of 21 applicants who requested more than \$56 million under the Library Research and Demonstration Program (Title II-B of the Higher Education Act)—Statewide Multitype Library Net work and Database competition. Colorado's 2-year project starts on November 15.

The Colorado State Library will build on its strong statewide network, Access Colorado Library and Information Network (ACLIN) which is already on-line, to improve free public access to information and library resources. Working with academic, public, school, and special libraries, it will add new databases and create one comprehensive network that is useful, practical, and accessible. In addition, ACLIN will expand and improve its connections across the state to allow all types of libraries and all state residents

equitable access to the library catalogs and other information databases around the state.

Initially, these enhancements will enable the statewide on-line delivery of documents from a centralized interlibrary loan service, as well as remote access to image collections at two major Colorado libraries. Ultimately, the project will determine the potential for statewide access to multimedia library resources.

The project will help establish the role of the statewide library network within Colorado's developing public and commercial information infrastructure. It will determine to what extent library principles and policies are adopted within that environment, especially those that ensure the following: • Equal access to information:

• The right of free and convenient public access to government information and other appropriate resources; and

• The integration of ACLIN into the broader state information infrastructure.

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Kansas

LIBRARY WINS STATE ARCHITEC-TURAL AWARD

The Johnson County Library and Gould Evans Associates, regional architectural firm. recently received an Honor Award for Architectural Excellence from the Kansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) for the Shawnee Branch Library located at 18311 Johnson Drive in Shawnee, KS, County Librarian Mona Carmack and architect Bob Gould attended the presentation ceremony held in conjunction with the AIA annual Conference on Design held in Manhattan, KS on September 30.

The jury admired the clarity of the plan organization, "which has a clear discipline and module, even in open areas, that likely gives its users a clear sense of human scale." One juror said "this building is thoughtful in its use of the site, orienting the reading areas to the site's green interiors." (Kansas Libraries, November)



COMMUNITY LINK

The Papillion Public Library is the home of the "Community Link"an Electronic Bulletin Board Service that allows local groups, clubs, organizations, churches, schools, etc. the ability to distribute information and schedules to area residents via a computer and modem. The system also gives E-Mail to local government officials and any user or organization with an account on the system. Public interest forums have also been developed and an online teleconference is available for users to have electronic discussions on scheduled subjects or with a guest such as the Mayor or City Council representative.

The BBS also provides access to the Library's online catalog and some CD-ROM reference material. In January personal full service Internet accounts will be available to library card holders at the low cost of \$50.00 a year for residents and \$10.00 a month for library members who live outside the City. (News release)

Nevada

CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY A BRIEF HISTORY

by Ellen Reed, Reference Librarian, Clark County Library

In 1964, the Las Vegas city library services extended only to the city boundaries, leaving out the residents of the unincorporated county. So, concerend citizens led by Jean Ford began work to establish the Clark County Library.

Ford, working with Mildred Hilver, then Nevada State Librarian, held conferences to establish a framework for its formation. By January 1965, a taxation petition drive for library services was underway. At the time, state law said that in order to establish a tax district for library services, either 50 percent of the taxpayers or 50 percent of the taxable income, must be represented by petitions. When petitioning was closed at the end of that January, the 50 percent was not

achieved . However, Ford discovered that other types of taxing districts required only 10 percent to be established. Her next step was to lobby legislators to amend the existing library laws, adjusting petitioning requirements down from 50 percent to 10 percent. By April, the legislature had passed the amendments and Governor Grant Sawyer had signed them.

The tenacious Ford sought signatures for her new petition. Needing only 10 percent of the assessed valuation of property in Clark County, she went to the largest property holders: Southwest Gas. Collins Bros. and Art McCollom, then president of the Sahara Hotel. They signed; and Ford's petition was over the top! The Clark County Library District was established. The first Clark County Library opened in 1966, in three rooms of the Airport Annex building. In 1967, it had already outgrown the tiny quarters. It moved to the University Plaza Shopping Center at Maryland Parkway and Tropicana, in leased space at 1131-J, E. Tropicana. Meanwhile, plans were underway to acquire a permanent building.

The county deeded a five-acre site to the Library District on March 20, 1967. One year later the Max C. Fleischman Foundation awarded \$1,380,000 to the District for its first building, to be 50,000 square feet, with Reference, Readers Services, Children plus a small exhibit area and a small auditorium. Designed by Daniels Associates and constructed by Tiberti Construction Company, the building opened on January 15, 1971.

Funding for more district library buildings was passed in 1984 and 1985 bond issues which included an expansion for the Clark County branch. Through interior redesign by Fielden and Associates, Architects, with Richardson Construction, an expansion to 65,000square-feet in the mid-1980s added floor space to Reference, Reader's Services, the Young Peoples Library, and Technical Services depart ments. These advances were effective for only a few years as Southern Nevada's population boom out-stripped the district's attempt to keep up.

The new Clark County Library, the largest public library in the district (and in the state of Nevada) at 120,000 square feet, is the seventh building to be completed with funding from the 1991 library bond issue. Two more libraries will be built from that fund.

In November 1994, the Las Vegas Clark County Library District dedicated the new Clark County Library facility, designed by architect Michael Graves. A world-famous design architect, Graves is arguably the world's leading interpreter of post modern design. In his work everything old is new again, expressing memories of things past while evoking feelings of excitement about what lies ahead.

In its latest incarnation. Clark County Library will continue providing services and materials. The difference now is that it is larger, stronger, broader in scope, and better able to serve the public. A world of books awaits patrons beyond the terra cottacolored entrance pillars. The library on Flamingo Road is the district's latest house for a "world of books," with a capacity for about 400,000 volumes.

The columned main entrance faces the south parking lot, accessible from Escondido Street. When you enter, you are on the second level of the building. The fover functions as an exhibit gallery and contains the main circulation desk and two arched doorways, one left and one right. Take the left archway to enter the world of Reference; take the right one to enter the Readers Service department of fiction and non-fiction. Take the stairs up to the third floor to find the Young People's Library and story room. Go downstairs to the first level to find the multi-room Periodicals Department, the largest in the library district, Interlibrary Loan services, a micro-computer center for public use, a literacy study area, audio-visual room and a used book store. "Literary Allusions," operated by Friends of Southern Nevada Libraries. The theater, with pedestrian access from Flamingo

Road, features a partial thrust stage, an audience capacity of 399 fixed seats, green room and actors' dressing rooms. The library also provides a public-use conference room and the Jewel Box Theater, a "black box" type space.

Over the past 23 years the structure has held a generation of dedicated staff who have helped library patrons with their needs and has provided cultural outlets for community expression. Clark County Library has expanded floor and shelf space in every department in this latest phase of its growth, and is now able to accommodate state of-theart technology and more patrons than ever. (Off The Shelf, December/January/ February)



VOTERS APPROVE QUESTION 666

When Oklahoma voters approved State Question 666 during the November 8 general election, they gave local counties a new option to establish and support public libraries. The question amended the state constitution to remove a population cap which prevented all but three of the state's 77 counties from funding a single-county library system with ad

valorem taxes.

Now, every county will have the option of asking voters to approve a millage to establish a county library district, according to ODL Director Robert Clark. "Rural counties can ask voters for up to four mills to support libraries," Clark said. "Urban counties and urban library systems can ask voters for up to six mills."

Previously, counties with less than 100,000 population had to join with each other in multicounty systems before they could ask voters to approve a property tax millage for library funding. Only 27 Oklahoma counties are part of multi-county library systems. "It was important to find another way to help Oklahomans establish local libraries," Clark said. "Approximately 500.000 citizens live in areas which do not provide public library services. In fact, Oklahoma ranks number one of the 50 states in the number of citizens who are not served by public libraries," he reported.

Forty-eight Oklahoma counties are not part of a library system at this time.

The approval of State

Question 666 also gave five counties the option to ask voters for additional library funding in the future. Because of their service populations, Tulsa City-County Library System, Metropolitan Library System in Oklahoma County, and Pioneer Library System in Cleveland. Pottawatomie and McClain counties, can now ask voters for up to six mills ad valorem support. Previously, the cap had been four mills for these counties

The road to State Question 666 began in 1990 during the Governor's Conference on Libraries. The 200 delegates at the conference passed a resolution calling for a special Legislative Task Force to review Oklahoma's public library funding laws. One of the recommendations of this task force was an amendment to the state constitution to allow ad valorem funding for all counties. The state's library community lobbied the 1992, 1993 and 1994 sessions of the State Legislature before the issue was finally placed on the general election ballot. (ODL Source, November)

Utah

STATE BOARD CONSIDERS BOOK-MOBILE FUNDING

The State Library Board met on November 17th and discussed a white paper on the future of bookmobile funding. The paper, Utah's Bookmabile, Counties in the Year 2000: Building on a Proven Foundation for Library and Information Services was written by State Library Division Deputy Director Douglas Abrams at the request of the board. The Board intends the paper to be a spring-board for local discussion and a dialog between people in the counties and those in state government.

The discussion about funding was prompted by the anticipated end of the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA). probably at the end of 1996. LSCA will likely be replaced by new federal funding that will have a more technological orientation than LSCA which was designed nearly 40 years ago to address problems of another era. The bookmobile program is substantially funded by federal dollars. Both the state and the 22 counties who are served by bookmobiles will have to contribute to closing the resulting funding gap. This raises several important issues.

According to Mr.

Abrams, although state law gives primary responsibility for library services to local governments, local boards have played a limited governance role because of the centralized nature of the state run service. While counties are paying a greater percentage of the costs for bookmobile services than a decade ago, a substantial state subsidy still exists in addition to federal dollars The question of future funding is further complicated by the way costs are distributed among counties. To close the gap caused by the withdrawal of federal funding, richer counties will need to pay a greater share of the cost than now. The paper outlines a number of ways counties could play a more active role in administering bookmobile services and suggests the means for shifting funding responsibility as well. These include proposed "transition grants" to help wealthier counties assume more of the cost for services over time. "Sustaining subsidies" would be available to those counties that cannot afford to carry more of the burden.

The paper also outlines options for governance. The first model would be substantially like the present centralized administration. A "zero base budget" model would allow counties greater control over budgets and allow them to join in full partnership with the state in the administration of the service. Under the third option, those counties that want to own their own bookmobiles would be helped to do so.

Elaine Baldwin, attending the meeting to represent the Panguitch City/ Garfieid County Library Board, spoke to the State Board from the perspective of one with experience in both city and county government. She pointed out that counties have received hundreds of mandates in recent years and that it has been difficult to raise revenues to pay for them. She urged the Division to look for other funding sources to cover the shortfall.

Division Director Amy Owen said the loss of federal money could impact several other Division programs since several use federal dollars. Since the bookmobile program is so closely tied to local government, however, changes in the funding mechanisms for bookmobile service requires more lead time to make changes. She acknowledged the anxiety those changes were causing but claimed the Division had an obligation to take a proactive approach to potentially critical problems.

Board President Bruce Griffin emphasized the board was not approving the options described in the paper but approving a process of disseminating the paper and initiating a public discussion. (Directions for Utah Libraries, November-December)



Jobline & Joblist Listings Are Free to MPLA Institutional Members

Institutional members wishing to post job listings on MPLA's telephone accessed **Jobline** should send written descriptions to Joe Edelen, I.D. Weeks Library, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD 57069. FAX: 605-677-5488 or E-Mail: jedelen@charlie.usd.edu (please put "MPLA" only in subject line in all caps.).

Newsletter Joblist notices should be sent to Jim Dertien, Sioux Falls Public Library, 201 N. Main, Sioux Falls, SD 57102. FAX: 605-335-4312 or E-Mail: siouxder@class.org

ABOUT YOU

Burns Davis, Nebraska Library Commission, has been named Executive Director of the Nebraska Library Association ...Donna Gilliland has accepted the position of school library consultant at the North Dakota State Library...**Maggie** Harding, Crete (NE) Public Library, has been named 1994 Mentor of the Year by the Nebraska Library Association ...**Cathi Dunn**

MPLA welcomes these new members

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Kitti Canepi, Mohave County Library District, Kingman Muriel Coil, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff Gedrry Giordano, Phoenix Public Library Kathryn L. Havris, Mesa Public Library John Harrison, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff Patricia Lokey, Scottsdale Community College Lyn Marsh, Galveston School Library, Chandler David Pfeiffer, Education on Wheels, Chandler Barbara Quarles, Phoenix Public Library Rebecca Sanderlin, Phoenix Public Library Harry Strauss, H.J. Strauss & Associates, Tempe

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Michele Widera, University of Utah, Salt Lake City Wyoming

Eric Austin, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne Jane Niemitalo, Campbell County Public Library, Gillette Lana Richardson, Glenrock Branch Library, Glenrock MacRae, Young Adult Librarian at the Boulder Public Library, received an Intellectual Freedom Award from CLA

...**Patricia Peterson** is leaving the Assistant Director's job at the Lincoln (NE) City Libraries to enroll in a post-Master's certificate program in library science and historic preservation...**Bev** Quamm, longtime librarian at Fargo's (ND) Carl Ben Eielson Elementary School, has been named North Dakota Library Association's 1994 Librarian of the Year ...Rod Wagner, Director of the Nebraska Library Commission, has been elected President of the Nebraska Library Association...Judy

Calendar

Future MPLA Conferences

1995—Joint with South Dakota & North Dakota Library Associations, October 4-7, Sioux Falls
1996—Joint with Kansas Library Association, April 10-12, Wichita

- 1997—Joint with Oklahoma Library Association, April 30-May 3, Shangri La
- 1998—Joint with Utah Library Association, March, Salt Lake City
- 1999—Joint with Montana Library Association, March/April
- 2000—Joint with Nebraska Library Association, Sept./Oct.

2001—Joint with Arizona Library Association, Sept./ Oct.

1995 State Conferences

February 23-25—5th Trinational Library Forum, Mexico City
March 15-18—Utah, Salt Lake City
March 22-24—Kansas, Topeka
April 26-29—Montana, Billings
April 26-29—Oklahoma, Tulsa
Sept. 29-Oct. 2—Colorado, Aspen
October—Nevada, Winnemucca
October 4-7—MPLA/SDLA/NDLA, Sioux Falls, SD
October 25-27—Nebraska

National Library Week

April 9-15, 1995 - "Libraries Change Lives"

Zelenski, Assistant Director of the Central Colorado Library System, was named CLA's -Librarian of the Year.

Continuing Education Opportunities

Access, Resource Sharing and College Development University of Oklahoma Libraries & University of Oklahoma Foundation March 2-3, Oklahoma City For information contact: Donald C. Hudson at 405-325-2611

Redefining Libraries & Librarianship: Strategies, Structures and Roles for the New Millennium

Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) March 2—Ann Arbor, MI March 17—Philadelphia, PA March 23—Columbus, OH For information contact: LAMA at 800-545-2433, X5030.

Technical Services Workstations 1995: The State of the Art of Cataloging

Association for Library Collections & Technical Services March 17—Atlanta, GA March 20—Dallas, TX May 1—Pomona, CA September 29—Minneapolis, MN For information contact ALCTS, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. 1-800-545-2433 X5032.

PLA Chicago Cluster Workshop

March 23-25—Chicago Topics include romanice fiction, kids and technology, preventing violence, marketing the library, and more. Call Public Library Association office at 800-545-

2433, X5PLA for more information.

Continuity and Transformation: The Promise of Confluence

Association of College and Research Libraries March 29-April 1—Pittsburgh, PA For information contact ACRL at 800-545-2433, X2521.

Seventh Annual Young Adult Literature Conference

Jefferson County Library Foundation & Metroplitan State College April 22-Denver Keynote speaker: Joan -Lowery Nixon Plus workshops for librarians, media specialists, teachers and others. An added feature will be sessions organized specifically for young adults themselves, highlighting topics such as storytelling, characterization, or even using comics to understand young adult literature.

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April-Demystifying Subject Cataloging, Dallas, TX April-Serials Cataloging, Atlanta, GA June-Business of Acquisitions, Chicago, IL October-Serials Cataloging, San Francisco, CA October-Demystifying Subject Cataloging, Rochester, NY For more information contact ALCTS, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. 1-800-545-2433 X5032.

JOBLIST

Available: Immediately Deputy Director

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Salary: From \$50,000 Supervises administrative functions of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, including fiscal, technology and planning; works closely with the Director, and assists in formulation and execution of the department Long Range Plan for use of Federal LSCA funds.

Qualifications include strong management skills with a proven five year record of accomplishments in administration, and an ALA-MLS or equivalent degree.

Person interested in applying may send a letter of application to Robert L. Clark, Jr., Director, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, 200 N. E. 18th, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, Voice: 405-521-2502. Fax: 405-525-7804. EO/AAE

Available: Immediately (Applications accepted until filled) Automation Consultant South Central Kansas Library System

Salary: \$25,000-\$29,000 The South Central Kansas

Library System is a multitype regional library system serving 132 member libraries. The individual selected for this position will provide advice and assistance to member libraries in the areas of automation and technology. These would include advice on selection and software, assistance with program proposals, and advice on equipment maintenance and repair. Other areas of expertise should include online networks and services, such as Internet, and CD-ROM

technology and products. Require ALA-MLS, library automation experience, and strong communication skills. This position reports to the System Director.

Send letter of application and three references to: Leroy M. Gattin, South Central Kansas Library System, 901 North Main, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

Deadline: March 1 Special Projects Cataloger Wichita State University Salary: \$24,000-\$28,000

Salaty: \$24,000-\$26,000 Coordinates and assists with special cataloging projects. Performs original cataloging and edits contributed copy for input into OCLC and NOTIS. Participates in departmental planning and management, which includes developing procedures, training staff, and policy making.

ALA-MLS with cataloging course work required, as well as familiarity with LC classification and LCSH, knowledge of OCLC and automated systems, and excellent interpersonal and communication skills. An additional graduate degree preferred, as well as one year of professional supervisory and cataloging experience. Also desire knowledge of government documents cataloging and authorities, work.

Send letter of application, resume, and names, address, and telephone numbers of three current references postmarked by March 1, 1995 to: James C. Eller, Associate Dean for Library Services, Wichita State University, 1845 Fairmount Drive, Wichita, KS 67260-0068. AA/EEO employer

Deadline: March 3 Assistant Library Director, Support Services

Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Salary: \$68,536-\$90,188

The Library District is seeking an individual to assume the overall management of the support services of the Library, including automated systems, technical functions and materials acquisition. Candidates must demonstrate effective supervisory, organizational, automation and budget management skills. A working knowledge of LC classification is essential. Individuals must have experience in an automated environment and in policy/planning development and implementation. Strong management skills in a team management environment are essential. Candidates need to be knowledgeable in the cataloguing and classification procedures required to meet the public's needs and must understand the standards and trends in library automation

Minimum qualifications: M.L.S. or M.I.S. degree from an ALA school and five (5) years of job related experience. Experience in database design and a working knowledge of CD-ROM and other optical data base programs is desirable.

The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District serves the public with twenty-two branches and supports GEAC-CLSI LIBS 100+ automation systems. Its mainframe supports 300 terminals, servicing 34 locations with multiple LANS. The geographical area served is 100 miles in each direction from the central library. The book budget is \$4.7 million. The district has a liberal employee benefit package, and there is no state income tax in the state of Nevada.

Resumes with cover letters and three references should be sent to: Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, Department of Human Resources, 833 Las Vegas Blvd. North, Las Vegas, NV 89101.

For further information contact: David M. Sanchez, Human Resources Manager at 702-382-3493 X249 or sanchez@nevada.edu.

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