For the 1986 Conference Arrangements Committee, "the wool may have been pulled over our eyes" for a few moments, but the spiff-and-polish with which the arrangements were carried out otherwise was amazing. Chuck Balodonado and Elaine Shannon were organized, urbane, and professional in their supervision of details. Their committees transported, registered, fed, and guided the attendees and speakers with ease. Commercial exhibitors were lined up on a waiting list, and those who did sign up in time to buy exhibit space seemed to consider it a pleasure to deal with the exhibits committee. Those NMLA members who did attend the banquet were well entertained by the Albuquerque Civic Light Opera small ensemble.

Special Committees
The past year has seen three special Committees in operation for NMLA, and all three were generated by events that tough our membership.

The Special Committee on Executive Secretary, chaired by Nancy Ebeling, continues to explore ideas related to streamlining the work of the Association. A complex issue dealing in part with interrelated workings of the various committees, this issue will require much further study before any recommendations can be made. Ideas may be sent to the committee chair or the committee members: Lowell Duhrsen, Joe Sabatini, Ben Wakashige, Karen Watkins.

Idea Suggested
An idea has surfaced concerning the role that NMLA may play in informing its members of the political views of candidates for State office. It was suggested that questions be structured to use in interviewing various candidates. Here are sample questions that may be put to the candidates, e.g., for governor:

1) How do you think libraries should be funded? What should be the responsibilities of different levels of government?
2) What is your position on laws which restrict citizen access to information or particular types of publication?
3) What do you consider the proper role and position of the State Library within state government?

These question ideas came from Karen Watkins. Do you have other suggestions for questions that may be asked of the candidates for state government office? Please send your ideas to Marcy Litzenberg or to Karen Watkins...soon as possible.

Information, Please
During the Executive Board meeting on April 26, ideas were expressed concerning the efficiency of NMLA's Business and Executive Board meetings. It was generally agreed that people who tend to the business of the association are award of reports given and business accomplished, and that much repetition may be cut without loss to the meetings' agendas. One example may be that a Second Business Meeting may not be needed during the Conference if there is no business to transact at that time. Ideas concerning this matter may be expressed to Executive Board members.

Poster sessions may be part of NMLA's Conferences or Mini-Conferences of the future. These sessions, which may allow Association members to present some of the findings of their own research, are being looked at by the Publicity Committee's programming for the coming year.

As the various Divisions, Round Tables, and Committees begin their work programs, and as you consider the ideas here, consider also becoming involved in expressing your own thoughts to those working on programs.
MEMBERSHIP REPORT
by Jane Gillentine, Chair Membership

The Pre-Conference membership count as of April 21, 1986 is listed below.

Institutions: 22
Personal 526
Honorary 6
Sustaining 9
Total 541

Divisions:
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College/University/ Special Libraries 159
School Libraries/ Children/Young Adult Services 185

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LIRT 88
Local/Regional History 56
LUISA 44
Native American Libraries 36
Non-Print 40
Online 60
Trustees/Friends 49
Total 558

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Flora Starkey has provided a listing of the expenditures by committees, divisions and round tables for mailing labels and membership lists. A total of $418.30 was reported. Based on the number of records involved, the cost of a set of labels runs from $7.00 to $12.00. A membership printout ranges from $10.00 to $15.00.

Attached is a copy of the membership count as of March 29, 1986. This count was used to determine the Active/Voting status of Divisions and Round Tables.

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For Active Status, a Division must have 20% of the membership; Voting Status requires 25%. Round Tables must have 5% for Active Status and 10% for Voting Status.

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The three Divisions have Active-Voting status. Documents Round Table has neither Active nor Voting status. LUISA, Native American Libraries, Non-Print and Trustees & Friends Round Tables do not have Voting status. LIRT, Local & Regional History and Online Round Tables are the only Round Tables to have Active and Voting status.

ALÀ COUNCILOR’S REPORT
by Lowell Dahmen


At the Annual meeting, the controversial Lacey Report was introduced and its distribution, acceptance, and shielding between were widely discussed and debated. It was decided that it should be available for distribution to the ALÀ membership but what of official action ALÀ Council would take on the document was to be deferred to Midwinter. The Lacey Report on “Freedom and Equality of Access to Information” is a report of the Commission created in 1983 to “define and find syntheses in issues (social, economic, political, and technological) arising from the ability of modern technologies to enhance the production and dissemination of information. The Commission’s recommendations are available and I welcome input at any time. At the Midwinter Meeting, it was passed and ALÀ would publish the report, leaving the final assessment of it to readers, reviewers, and the marketplace. The majority of the Council, myself included, decided that to further delay publication and the addition of critiques would constitute a measure of violation of intellectual freedom, and as the report is to Council and not of Council, that the matter should move along to the membership.

In other matters addressed by ALÀ Council during the year, South African investments in ALÀ’s endowment were voted out, and ALÀ’s financial management firm, Northern Trust Company was so ordered. ALÀ’s investments overall rose at a rate of 17.6%.

ALA Treasurer, Pat Schuman, expressed great concern over a lack of information she was able to receive from ALÀ’s financial office. Council voted to demand that full information should be provided and be made available for the 1987 meeting. A direct result of this report by Schuman was a re-signation in February of ALÀ’s Associate Director for financial services.

The above matters probably occupied 85% of Council business and time. ALÀ business and voting records are readily available in both Library Journal and American Libraries after each meeting.

As a new Councilor, I attended an orientation session at Midwinter and was assigned a “buddy”, who is David Snider from the Grande Public Library in Arizona. Those Councilors who are elected by their Chapters meet in several sessions separate from those Councilors who are elected at large. Outside of managing to get Chapter Councilors elected to the Executive Board, which I understand seldom happens in the past, at this point I find very little is of exclusive interest that is not also of interest to the Council in general. Perhaps I will discover the subtleties of the effort in years to come.

The 1986 Annual Conference will be held in New York, June 28-July 3; Midwinter will be held in Chicago, January 17-22, 1987.

EVENTS CALENDAR

June 7-12 Special Libraries Association Annual Conference, Sheraton Hotel, Boston, MA
June 16-20 American Theological Libraries Annual Conference, Rockhurst College, Kansas City, MO
June 16-20 "Inside Information"—conference on non-fiction books for children, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
June 28-July 3 ALÀ Annual Conference, New York City
July 1-3 IFLA General Conference, Tokyo
July 3-10 American Association of Law Libraries Conference
July 11 ALÀ NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
August 24-30 NMLA Annual Conference, Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mesilla, New Mexico
May 14-15, 1987 AMIGOS/SOLINET Conference, Sheraton New Orleans Hotel and Tower
DEBBIE UHRICH: LIBRARY DYNAMO AT HODGIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

by Chuck Baldonado, Albuquerque, T-VI

"Hodgin Elementary School is lucky to have someone as dynamic as Debbie." This quote provides insight into the feelings held by those who work with and around Debbie Uhrich, librarian at the Media Center, at Hodgin Elementary School in Albuquerque. With enough energy to fill the entire school grounds, Debbie goes about the business of enlightening students, parents, teachers and administrators alike in the excitement of reading and using library resources.

Debbie Uhrich comes to New Mexico from Montana. She has a Bachelor's in Educational Media and will complete work on a Master's Degree in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Children's Literature and Reading this summer. The profession of librarianship owes a deep debt of gratitude to an anonymous education major who stood in line behind Debbie when she had to declare her minor. Overhearing a recommendation from behind her Debbie chose library science as a minor. A fortunate accident for library users. Debbie uses a variety of devices to entice students to think about libraries and reading. This past year students at Hodgin Elementary School became very involved in one unique project; story vests were designed and made by several students. The vests were decorated with artwork from their favorite stories. Indelible marking pens were used to paint the vests. After the vests were completed students modeled their designer vests and explained the background of each of the characters or drawings used.

Using reference resources in the library can be a tedious job. Debbie Uhrich combines Trivial Pursuit and reference instruction to encourage the use of reference tools. Played using the adult Trivial Pursuit game board, questions are asked and answers must be found and cited in the various tools in the library. A stimulating adaptation to this game is the students opportunity to stump the librarian. Debbie's students revolve in asking questions which would try the investigative powers of an army of librarians. Debbie feels that this interaction allows students to relate directly with her as both a teacher and librarian. It is this involvement that makes Debbie a focal point in many of the teaching projects that go on within the school. She does not just retreat into the library never to be seen from again. During "Young Authors' Week" Debbie spearheaded a school wide parade of students, teachers, and the principal dressed as characters from their favorite books. The parade was video taped and shown to students in the library. Characters ranged from the Cat in the Hat to Pecos Pete. Debbie is able to generate such a level of excitement that involvement by teachers and students is almost total.

The librarian as teacher is the philosophy behind the success of Debbie Uhrich as a school librarian. To say that the librarian is not a teacher is a disregard to both the teaching and library professions. School librarians provide the spark and tools that students must use to learn. Without reading and learning to recognize the devices used by authors to relate information to readers, knowledge is lost.

Debbie Uhrich as a librarian combines successfully the singular job of preparing students to use the library as a resource and as a place of escape. She is both a librarian and teacher. Her excitement is contagious for students and teachers. Both rely on her to help develop a taste for knowledge.

If you know a librarian that might be the subject of our next profile, please let us know. Send a story with photos to N.M.L.A. Newsletter, Chuck Baldonado P.O. Box 25084 Albuquerque, NM 87125

SILENT AUCTION PART OF LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

by Theresa Connaughton, LASL

An orientation for new Board members was held in Seoul in June with the assistance of the Bylaws committee and Board officers. In December, the Library Development Committee met to draft the 1986-87 work program, a copy of which is included in this newsletter. The program was amended and approved by the Board. The committee held its second silent auction during the annual Conference. Judy Bernstein chaired the effort and did an excellent job. Auction receipts were over $1300! Our thanks to all who worked on or participated in the auction.
MARTHA LIEBERT RECEIVES
COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT
AWARD

By Jo Sabatini
Albuquerque Publishing

On Thursday, April 24, Martha Liebert was presented NMLA’s Community Achievement Award. The award was given by Jo Sabatini. The text of his presentation follows:

Tonight our Association honors Martha Liebert of Bernalillo with the Community Achievement Award. This award is one of the many the library is presented for achievements within their own communities, and to recognize awards given by other groups. Martha Liebert qualifies for both reasons. A year ago last February, she gave a presentation at the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Bernalillo Community Library. She presented certified bookkeeping records of about forty people who had supported the library over the years in various ways: program volunteers, donors, advisors, builders, library board members. When she had finished her presentation, Mayor Mike Foster took the podium and declared the day to be Martha Liebert Day by ordinance of The Town of Bernalillo. Several community leaders expressed their appreciation for her service to the library and community. Then, just before Christmas, the Town Council made it a triple play by officially changing the library’s name to the Martha Liebert Library. All of you can appreciate what an extraordinary effort this is. I think it is fair to say that there is not another shop owner in the area who is as passionate about her library as Martha Liebert is about the library and community. Then, just before Christmas, the Town Council made it a triple play by officially changing the library’s name to the Martha Liebert Library. All of you can appreciate what an extraordinary effort this is. I think it is fair to say that there is not another shop owner in the area who is as passionate about her library as Martha Liebert is about the library and community.

Martha Liebert’s role in the community is typical of the origin of many libraries in small town America. It is a town with a long history and modest economic resources, whose pastoral origins are reluctantly yielding to the mixed blessings of being part of a larger, more economically developed community. Since the 1970’s, the two principal achievements of municipal government were the development of essential streets and the building of the new Town Hall. The fact that the Town allocated one third of new building to the Library is a tribute to the impact that Martha Liebert and her small army of volunteers had already had. For Martha is a person around whom it is not safe to deplore a community failing; she has a talent for putting you to work to remedy the situation, complete with a list of people to contact and who might be persuaded to provide the necessary resources. The Sandoval County Historical Society has included displays in the Library a remarkably collection of historical photographs. I suspect that someone in Martha Liebert’s future will have said “Isn’t it awful that the oldtimers are dying off and their old photographs are being thrown out”; the result was a Humanities Council grant to gather these irreplaceable records, and the Library was a central player in the completion of this project.

The impact of Martha Liebert’s leadership on the library is visible in the quantifiable statistics. Seventy-six people attended the opening of the new library; $1,000 were raised for a matching grant to the library; the library was able to purchase $20,000 in the state aid budget, and the State Library Commission was obliged to raise the minimum amount of $1,000, one month after the Council’s action. It took until 1974 for Bernalillo to meet the eligibility requirement. I could tell you of the Library’s wanderings in single and double to different locations before being included in a new Town Hall. Even the years spent in a dusty basement with an empty millpond of the New Mexico Lumber Company failed to sap Martha’s dedication. I know that both Martha and Joe Liebert and many other Bernalillo citizens can testify to the value of an irreplaceable item through refurbishing old buildings and moving the library’s collection yet again. Bernalillo is the county seat of Sandoval County, an area rich in the diversity of its culture.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Resumes of the candidates nominated to serve with President Cheryl Whittow, First-Vice-President Harris Richard and Treasurer Denis Roark appeared in the previous issue of the New Mexico Library Association Newsletter. The candidates for Second-Vice President was Karen Watkins, and for Secretary, Betty Reynolds.

The NMLA Bylaws provide that further nominations may be made from the floor during the business meeting. It appears that the election is held, you have served your community in an exemplary manner, bringing credit to the profession of librarianship. Your colleagues in the New Mexico Library Association are proud to recognize your achievements.

“NATIVE AMERICAN ROUNDTABLE FEATURES OPENING NIGHT SPEAKER”
by Barbara Conroy

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LIRT ROUNDTABLE REPORT

by Laura McGuire, ENMU

Seventy-six people attended the program “Library Instruction: Teachers and Librarians Working Together,” given by Jo Sabatini, Principal of Sandia Base Elementary School in Albuquerque. LIRT also co-sponsored, with the Onslow, S.C. program entitled “Software Best Sellers: Are They Right For You?” by Frances Carson, AMIGOS, as speaker.

In the business meeting, David Bull distributed results of the survey on the frequency and amount of library instruction in New Mexico, which was completed earlier this year. The work program, to begin development of a standardized plan for library skills instruction for the public schools in New Mexico, was approved. Laura McGuire, Eastern New Mexico University, was elected Chair; Helen Bronisz, Pinon Elementary School of Los Alamos, was elected Vice-Chair; Chair Eleet.
GROUNDWORK LAID FOR NMLA LEGISLATIVE NETWORK BY LEGISLATION AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

by Karen Watkins, New Mexico State Library

This year, the Legislative and Intellectual Freedom Committee laid the groundwork for an NMLA Legislative Network. New Mexico was divided into five regions, each with a regional coordinator and local legislative contact. Members of the network were printed, with valuable assistance from the Public Committee. These will be distributed as more people become involved.

The conference program, sponsored by the LIFC and Public Committee, is intended to reinforce the theme of political awareness and involvement. Two presentations titled "Public Relations: Influencing Anybody and Everybody," and "Strategies for Influencing" were made by Karen Anderson, California specialist in communication skills and influence strategies.

The NMLA Legislative Freedom Handbook was published by an LIFC subcommittee chaired by Carol Kellerman. This handbook is being widely distributed in the state to assist librarians with censorship problems.

A number of censorship challenges in the state was conducted by committee member Jim Benefiel. He presented his findings at the Intellectual Freedom Update during the conference.

Legislation related to censorship in 1986 was restricted by the financial emphasis required of the short session. A House Joint Memorial (Rep. Coll) to create a committee for the study of public library funding passed the Legislature, but has not yet been acted upon by the Legislative Council. Two capital projects for new library buildings in Las Cruces and Santa Fe Community College were approved for general obligation bond issues in November. A commission to coordinate the celebration of New Mexico's 75th anniversary and the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution was created; libraries may benefit by being able to participate in some of the activities planned.

At the Library Legislative Day was held April 13-15 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, in Mescalero, New Mexico.

An Open House is planned for June 22, 2000 pm to 4:00 pm, to celebrate opening of Library Services for the Main Campus of Albuquerque Technical-Vocational Institute, at 2000 Candelaria. Music and refreshments will be served in ample amounts. Everyone is invited to join the staff in celebrating its opening.

The library Adult Learning Center, Health Occupations Library, and Audiovisual Services are the four units under the umbrella of Library Services. Chuck Balskowski, Supervisor of Library Services, Harold Washington, Supervisor of Adult Learning Center, and Pam Wolters, Health Occupations Librarian, coordinated the planning and design of the new facility. Located on the third and fourth floor of Building "C," the Library offers a bright comfortable setting for users of the Library.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

Excellent in Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee Chair.

WHITE SANDS TECH LIBRARIAN NAMED FEDERAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR

A career at White Sands Missile Range began in 1964 and always included encouragement and employee support as goals, was rewarded in January. Laurel Saunders, chief of the Technical Library at the Army Material Test and Evaluation Directorate at White Sands, was honored with the Federal Manager of the Year Award.

Mrs. Saunders earned her bachelor's degree at South Dakota University and her Master's at the University of Michigan. She has written and justified "Special Act" and "Sustained Supervisor" and Quality Step Awards for government employees and has used the "Upward Mobility" program. Encouraging individual initiative and teams for superior performance and managerial style, resulting in a well-run library, Saunders is active in NMLA Librarian Services Roundtable, and is involved in the Federal Manager's Association and other civic organizations in her home, Anthony, New Mexico.

Mescalero and Las Cruces Selected as 1987 and 1988 Conference Sites

by Denis Roark, ENMU, Roswell

During the 1985-86 year, the Conference Site Committee was responsible for the selection of conference sites for the 1986 and 1987 NMLA conferences. Roswell was recommended uns the site for the 1987 conference at the September NMLA Executive Board Meeting. Negotiations with the Sally Port Inn in Roswell failed to produce a contract or letter of agreement, so the conference site was changed to the Inn of the Mountain Gods, in Mescalero, near Ruidoso. A letter of agreement was signed between the Inn of the Mountain Gods and the Association. The 1987 conference will be held April 1-3, with Betty Long, Library Director at Roswell Public Library, as the local arrangements chair.

Las Cruces was recommended as the site for the 1988 conference. An in-depth study of Las Cruces conference facilities was conducted. Hilton Hotel will be completed by the spring of 1987 adding to the conference facilities available in that area. In addition, a bus shuttle service will be available for transportation between meeting locations. The conference site committee recommended that April 13-15 be chosen as the dates for the 1988 conference.

ELLE XCELLENCE IN LIBRARIANSHIP DISPLAYED BY THREE NMLA LIBRARY AWARD WINNERS

At the NMLA Awards Banquet, three New Mexico librarians were honored for their special contributions to the library community. Betty Meiners, head librarian at Las Cruces High School since 1961, received the NMLA Librarian of the Year Award. Mrs. Meiners has received numerous awards for her dynamic professionalism, and was recognized by the parent advisory group at Las Cruces High School as "Teacher of the Month." She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, has served as secretary of SLCYAS Division of NMLA, has chaired the Marion Dorrah Scholarship Committee, and has been Treasurer of the Las Cruces Association of Classroom Teachers.

Martha Liebert, librarian at the Bernallilo Library (recently named the Martha Liebert Library), was awarded the Community Achievement Award for her role in the establishment and nurture of the Bernallilo Library. With the library's 20th anniversary celebration this year, Martha received recognition of her success in helping make the library a focal point in the community. She was also one of seven New Mexicans to receive a 1986 Jefferson Award from KOAT Television for community service.

Carolyn Kellerman, librarian at Santa Fe High School, was honored for winning the AASL-SIRS Intellectual Freedom Award from ALA for her role in a 1983 censorship challenge. She will officially receive her award this summer at ALA.

ONLINE RNDATABLE PRESENTS WORKSHOP FEATURING ONLINE PUBLIC ACCESS CATLOGS

by Irena Holtkamp, Los Alamos National Laboratory Library

In keeping with the theme of the 1986 conference, the Online Roundtable sponsored a 1½ day preconference program on Online Public Access Catalogs. This was attended by 50 people.

Program topics included: What is an Online Catalog? Jim Schwartz, Librarian, Library of Congress, discussed the Components of the Use of Online Catalogs, Searching Online Catalogs, Authority Control and Other Database Issues, and Planning and Implementation of Online Catalogs. Speakers from the University of Houston, Sandia National Laboratories, and AMIGOS were included in the program.

Program participants had an opportunity to see demonstrations of online catalogs at Albuquerque Public Library and the UNM General Library. Thanks to all who provided expertise that made the preconference programs possible.

During NMLA, the Roundtable sponsored a special program entitled "Software Best-Sellers: Are They Right for You?" Rob Carlson of AMIGOS Bibliographic Council was the speaker. A third program was sponsored by the Roundtable at NMLA dealing with retrieval and use of census data using micros. Presenter Al Mirabal used an IBM PC to instruct online users.

Jackson Carter is the new Online Roundtable Chair, Carol Boyce will be Vice-Chair.

Election.

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Vice-Chair-Carol Boyse, NMSU, Las Cruces
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Vice-Chair-Penny Grigsby, New Mexico State Library, Santa Fe
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Vice-Chair-Perinda Shelton, Albuquerque Public Library, Main
Native American Libraries Round Table-Chair-Barbara Conroy, Santa Fe Public Library, Santa Fe
Vice-Chair-June Lano, Crowpoint Community School Library

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Non-Print Round Table-Chair-Dave Backley, Del Norte High School Library, Albuquerque
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Vice-Chair-John Hadsell, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, Las Cruces

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Conference Site Committee-Chair-Peter Ives, UNM Parish Library
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Special Committee on Position Statements-Cheryl Wilson, NMSU, Las Cruces

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LUISA ROUND TABLE ACHIEVES GOALS, PRODUCES WORKSHOPS FOR MEMBERS

In an effort to accomplish the objectives set forth for the Round Table goals and Work Program for 1985-86, "to promote membership in the Round Table, to present a workshop on library service to the Spanish-speaking community, and to investigate the continuing education needs of the LUISA round table members," activities were conducted.

A combination letter/survey was sent to round table members urging them to help in the increase membership in LUISA and to find out what programs or workshops they would like to see offered. Programs on children's materials, and reliable sources for obtaining Spanish language printed materials were requested.

LUISA sponsored a program on April 7, 1986 at the Santa Fe LaFarge Branch Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The presenters were Roberto Mondragon, Joe LUISA Round Table President, and Padre Trujillo. A $5 registration fee was charged. There were forty attendees, with total revenue at $121.09, leaving a balance of $92.91 for the NMLA account.

The Nominating Committee composed of Concha Encinias, Chair, Lucy Cruz, and Robert Martinez submitted the name of Perinda Shelton, Children's Librarian at the Main Library of Albuquerque Public Library System, as the 1986-87 candidate for Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect of the LUISA Round Table. She was elected by acclamation at the Business Meeting.

Two programs were sponsored by LUISA at the NMLA Annual Conference. The LUISA annual business meeting/program was held on Friday, April 25. Dr. E.A. "Tony" Martinez, of the Albuquerque Museum, portrayed Padre Martinez. 80 people attended. That afternoon, "Ideas from Far and Near" featured Lucy Mares, of the Albuquerque Museum, portrayed Padre Martinez. 80 people attended. That afternoon, "Ideas from Far and Near" featured Lucy Mares, of the Albuquerque Museum, portrayed Padre Martinez. 80 people attended.

For the third straight year, New Mexico State Library has been funded to continue microfilming its newspaper collection. This year the amount is $25,000. Ten thousand will be used to purchase a duplicate copy of the New Mexico microfilm to be used exclusively for interlibrary loan purposes. The remaining amount will be used to microfilm the new microfiche collection. Socorro Public Library also completed the filming of Socorro County newspapers. They are now in the process of indexing them.

Negotiations have been opened to graduate the district during his travels. Dwight Meyers has offered to promote and direct the Future of Round Table.

Penny Grigsby is the new Local and Regional History Vice-Chair-Elect. Alice Clark retires this year and has resigned her Chair-Elect position. Michael Miller has agreed to serve another term as Chair.

Some progress was made this year toward changing the depository list for retention of New Mexico newspapers by counties. The State Records Administrator agreed to work with county clerks and legislators toward a centralized depository system with increased microfilming in all counties. Unfortunately, the Administrator was terminated in November, 1985, and has not been replaced. Negotiations will resume when a State Records Administrator is appointed.

The second session dealt with creating memorable impressions. Anderson maintained that body language is at least as important as words. She suggested that a persuasive self-assured impression can be consciously created to strengthen the spoken message. Her no-thing-as-acting rule showed that actual attitude and emotional changes occur when people pretend to have certain feelings and attitudes. Because the body - like a garden hose - remembers its moods. Anderson described billboard effect, a planned method of putting important library issues constantly before legislators and other decision-makers. Strategies for developing an organizational lobbying effort were also briefly discussed.

A standing-room-only crowd heard Kare Anderson present her compelling political clout. And everybody in two conference sessions sponsored by the Legislation and Publicity Committee, Anderson suggested political tactics for making memorable and influential contacts. When they met with legislators, she recommended that library constituents calculate the first impression they want to make and perfect a quick hit by getting to the point in the first four minutes of the meeting. Gain the attention and sympathy of legislators by presenting the human "gut-level" side of library issue and by linking library concerns to the legislators' special interests, she suggested.

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PROCEDURAL HANDBOOK REVISIONS COMPLETE

by Joe Sabatini,
Albuquerque Public Library

Revisions of the Procedural Handbook have been completed by the Bylaws and Procedures Committee. By adopting the recommendations of the Membership and Awards Committee at the January meeting, the Executive Board resolved the problem of discrepancies between the Handbook pages on Definitions of Types of NMLA Membership and the Annual Dues Schedule. Texts for these two pages were reviewed and approved by both committees.

It was recommended that revision of the Conference Arrangement Handbook be done by a special committee selected from members of past conference arrangement committees. Meanwhile, the text prepared in 1982 is satisfactory, and should remain in the Procedural Handbook.

The printing of Handbook pages continues to be significantly over budget. Additional expenditures will be required this fiscal year to conduct the orientation for new Board members, and, upon adoption of two Bylaws amendments, for reprinting the Bylaws.

Because a proposed bylaws amendment on mail ballot election of officers was tabled during the first NMLA Business Meeting, it will not be necessary, at this time, for the Association to develop some procedures concerning conduct of elections by mail.

The determination of division and round table status for the upcoming year posed a possible conflict between the current bylaws and the membership definitions adopted at the January Board meeting. However, the problem became moot when the final membership count produced the same status for every unit, regardless of whether the count was based on personal or personal and institutional membership totals.

BYLAWS & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

Annual Report
April 26, 1986
by Joe Sabatini, Chair
Bylaws & Procedures Committee

The Committee completed its major work assignment: the updating of pages in the Procedural Handbook, a guide to Association activities, calendars, policies and procedures. Approximately 70 pages were rewritten to reflect the new Association Bylaws adopted in 1984. The text was prepared on microcomputer diskettes, simplifying future revision of Handbook pages. The Committee also co-sponsored the orientation for new Board members held in June.

The Committee worked together with the Membership and Awards Committee to resolve discrepancies between dues categories and the types of membership described in the Bylaws. The two committees also reviewed the question of which membership count would be used to determine the status of Association divisions and round tables. Members at Conference voted to accept a Bylaws amendment which provides for the use of the personal membership count to make this determination. The Chair worked with various Board members with questions about other possible Bylaws changes. A proposal to elect officers by a mail ballot was tabled at the Conference business meeting, and will be studied and revised in the upcoming year.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES INVESTIGATE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ISSUES

This year, two special committees dealt with issues of importance to the association and librarians. The Special Committee on State Wide Planning was to work with the State Library in revising the “Coordinated Library Systems of New Mexico” document and act as a liaison between NMLA and the State Library in statewide library planning. With the completion of the Library Systems 2000 planning process in November 1985, the committee will soon begin the task assigned to it.

On April 5, the Special Committee for an Executive Secretary met to explore the possible job responsibilities if such a position were established within NMLA. These include membership and mailing, conference coordination, bulk mailings, data entry, and the association’s printing. It was recommended that the committee be continued to study NMLA’s financial feasibility for a secretary, the availability for existing professional services, and additional costs that could be incurred.

FOUR GRANTS, ONE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Information on grants and scholarships was distributed during the year. There were five requests for scholarship applications from individuals, and three from universities for their files. From the two completed applications, Monica Downey, Albuquerque, was chosen as the recipient of the Marion Dorrath Scholarship for 1986. Monica received $1,500 to attend library school.

There were eleven requests for grant applications. Six were returned, one was denied, one is still before the committee, and four were granted. Erna Wentland, Librarian at the Clovis-Carver Public Library; Mars Chalan, of the Santa Fe Indian School; and Teresa Marquez, UNM General Library, all received $200. Carolyn Dickerman, also of UNM General Library, received $100.

If you are interested in applying for the grants or scholarship, contact Alana McGrattan, Chair, Education Committee, at the Santa Fe Indian School, 998-6283.

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GOALS AND WORK PROGRAM
1986-87

The following goals and work program was adopted by the NMLA Board at the 1986 Annual Conference:

LONG TERM GOALS:
1. Support the Coordinated Library Systems of New Mexico.
2. To cooperate with and participate in the recommendations of the Library System 2000 report.
3. Increase funding for all libraries.
4. Strengthen and stress cooperation among all types of libraries in New Mexico and improve library services throughout the state.
5. Develop and support services in the inadequately served.

SHORT TERM GOALS:
1. As appropriate, to participate in task forces recommended by the Library Systems 2000 report.

WORK PROGRAM 1986-87:
College, University and Special Libraries Division
1. Share information on the applications of microcomputers in the college, university, and special library setting by conducting a survey and publishing the results in the Newsletter.
2. In cooperation with the Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee, promote active librarianship through interaction with political candidates throughout the state.

Public Libraries Division
1. In cooperation with the Trustees and Friends of Libraries Roundtable, and Membership Committee, actively seek to enroll members of the Friends of the Library groups and other library support groups in NMLA.
2. In cooperation with the Public Library Committee, facilitate the sharing of Public Relations information throughout the state by holding a workshop for librarians.

School Libraries, Children's and Young Adult Services Division
1. Continue to promote and study the structure of the Land of Enchantment Children's Books Award.
2. Continue to promote the publication Libros en Resena desde Nuevo Mexico - Books on Review from New Mexico.
3. Demonstrate computer use in school library media centers either by holding a workshop or producing a publication.
5. To draft recommended standards for school library media centers.

Documents Round Table
1. Locate fugitive municipal and county documents in New Mexico through identification of collections, issuing agencies and existing access.
2. Sponsor a workshop on documents.

Library Instruction Round Table
1. Begin development of a standardized plan for library skills instruction in the schools.

Local and Regional History Round Table
1. Continue to promote the sale of the New Mexico Local and County Histories - A Bibliography.
2. Study possible alternatives for the depository law on the preservation and microfilming of New Mexico newspapers.
3. Conduct a survey to determine which New Mexico newspapers are now being indexed.

LUISA Round Table
1. Present a workshop of library services to the Spanish-speaking community.
2. Continue investigating the continuing education needs of the LUISA Round Table members to identify topics for future workshops and/or presentations.

Native American Libraries Round Table
1. To initiate a network for the exchange of ideas and mutual support through individual and group contacts.

Nonprint Round Table
1. Continue to solicit the preparation and submission of news articles on nonprint materials in New Mexico Libraries.
2. Continue to solicit membership in the Nonprint Round Table by including publicity in the NMMA and NMLA membership efforts.
3. To promote the effective use of nonprint materials by organizing and holding mini-conferences around the state.

Online Round Table
1. Publicize training and educational opportunities in the Southwest region in the online field to members by submitting information to the Hitchhiker.
2. Publish a guide to microcomputer programs which permit access to online systems.

Trustees and Friends Round Table
1. In cooperation with the Public Libraries Division and the Membership Committee, actively seek to enroll members of the Friends of the Library groups and other library support groups in NMLA.

Bylaws Committee
1. In cooperation with the Nominating Committee, present a bylaws amendment concerning a mail ballot for NMLA officers to the membership at the 1987 Conference.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee
1. To continue to disseminate information about current censorship issues to libraries in New Mexico.
2. Publicize ways for libraries to increase their own political awareness and local legislators' awareness of library services.
3. Continue to sponsor and support an NMLA legislative network.
4. In cooperation with the College, University, and Special Libraries Division, promote active librarianship through interaction with political candidates through a Fall conference.

Library Development Committee
1. Continue to implement the recommendation of the Special Committee on Alternative Funding.

Membership Committee
1. In cooperation with Library Directors and NMLA Division and Round Table heads, increase the membership of NMLA by 5 percent or more with special emphasis on recruiting members from trustees, friends group and non-librarian information managers.

Nominating Committee
1. In cooperation with the Bylaws Committee, present a bylaws amendment concerning a mail ballot for NMLA officers to the membership at the 1987 Conference.

Publications Committee
1. Provide advice and procedures for NMLA units who wish to pursue publishing projects by publication of guidelines.

Publicity Committee
1. To plan Public Relations poster sessions for the 1987 NMLA Conference.
2. In cooperation with the Public Libraries Division, facilitate the sharing of Public Relations information throughout the state by holding a workshop for librarians.

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