The theme of the 1991 NMLA Conference in Roswell April 17-20 is "Making Connections: Libraries and the Total Community," and conference chair Daryl Black, the chairs of the divisions and round tables of NMLA, and the local arrangements committee headed by Betty Long and Kathy Flanary, have planned a full schedule of programs and activities to insure that you make the connections to improve your library and to have a great time.

The Keynote Connection

Every day of the conference will feature a keynote presentation with no conflicting programs scheduled. Linda Chavez, author and political commentator, will present the keynote address at the opening general session at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 17. Chavez, who grew up in Albuquerque and Denver, is currently a Senior Fellow at the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research and a commentator for National Public Radio's "Morning Edition." She is also at work on a book examining demographic trends among Hispanics in the United States and their effects on future public policy. Chavez is frequently critical of current policies, particularly in bilingual education, as counterproductive to the economic progress of Hispanics.

As Director of Public Liaison for the White House in 1985, Chavez was the highest-ranking woman on the White House staff. Her background also includes candidacy for the U.S. Senate and positions as president of U.S. English, a public interest group dealing with language policy; staff director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights; editor of American Educator, the journal of the American Federation of Teachers; and lobbyist for the National Education Association. She has also served on the staff of the Democratic National Committee and in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Bob Skapura, librarian at Clayton Valley High School, Lafayette, California, will deliver Thursday's keynote address at 10:30 a.m. Since 1972, Skapura has been a school librarian, but he took a two year leave of absence to work for the Library Software Company, where he helped design the Overdue Writer, Quick Card, and Circulation Plus. His address will be "The Automated Catalog: It's the Best of Times and the Worst of Times." He'll compare eleven automated public access catalogs.

Friday's keynote will be a forum entitled "Kidservice: An Action Plan for New Mexico Libraries." Barbara King of the New Mexico State Library invites anyone interested in library services to children in public and school libraries to attend and find out about the current status of service to children and the State Library's vision for extending the service. Those attending will plan NMLA actions for the coming year to raise New Mexico's consciousness of children's needs and library resources, organize regional committees to plan improvements, and make connections with others who are interested in children.

The Computer Connection

Electronic connections are making library service more exciting every day. Linda Eppelheimer, Director of Education for the Winnebago Software Corporation, will describe "New Dimensions in Automation" on Thursday, April 18 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. She will discuss the conversion of records from paper to disk for circulation, public access catalogs, acquisitions, and CD-ROM programs. For each function, she will compare record sizes, data entry methods, and expenses.
Dr. Donald Ely

Most of the programs dealing with electronic connections will be presented on Friday, April 19. At 8:30 a.m., the Online Round Table will sponsor Dr. Donald Ely, director of the ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, who will describe various publications created by ERIC that are often unknown to potential users. His program, "ERIC--More than a Database," will also describe new developments at ERIC.

During the same time period, the Bibliofile Users Group will host Parke Lightbown, Western Region Director of the Library Corporation as the guest speaker at their meeting.

Friday afternoon, the Educational Technology Round Table meeting will feature Louis Sanchez, computer education resource teacher with the Albuquerque Public Schools. Sanchez, who has an extensive background in computers and education, will speak about "Hyper Media Research Stations for Libraries" from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Later that afternoon, Dr. Charles McClure will present the Government Documents Round Table program, "Access to Electronic Federal Information through the Depository Library Program: Issues and Prospects." Dr. McClure has written about the use of U.S. Census Bureau data in electronic form.

The Community Connection

The connections between all types of libraries and all types of communities are examined in many special programs. The New Mexico Coalition for Literacy is sponsoring two programs on the afternoon of Wednesday, April 17. The first, co-sponsored by the Library Instruction Round Table, is entitled, "Library Instruction and the New Reader: Cooperative Efforts Between Libraries and Literacy Programs." Leslie Rich, Literacy Collection Coordinator for the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy will describe readers' advisory services and library orientation for new adult readers and their tutors. Rich has extensive experience in tutoring, training, administration, and computer-assisted learning applications in literacy programs. At 3:00 p.m., the Coalition will present a performance of the New Mexico Literacy Theatre.

Public libraries aren’t the only ones who need to seek the support of their communities. John Hadsell will moderate a panel discussion entitled "Are Friends Groups Feasible in School Libraries?" at the New Mexico Friends of Libraries meeting and breakfast Thursday morning, April 19.

Pay equity for librarians will be the subject of a panel discussion co-sponsored by the Public Library Division and the Librarians Division of the New Mexico Municipal Library Thursday morning. Lucie Olson, director of the Socorro Public Library, will moderate a panel that will include John Brewster of the New Mexico State Library and Allen Schwartz, director of the Santa Fe Public Library.

The Public Library Division luncheon Thursday will present two perspectives on libraries and their communities. First, a panel of New Mexico librarians will describe programs and activities they have used in outreach to their communities, and those attending will receive packets describing those programs and others in the state. The second perspective will be "Views from the North and Far West" from Lon Dickerson, Timberland Regional Library, Olympia, Washington. Dickerson has worked in libraries in places as diverse as West Africa and Minnesota and had always been involved in his communities, taking part in a planning commission, school district committees, and the board of a community action agency as well as partisan and nonpartisan politics.

Thursday afternoon, the Trustees and Friends Round Table will host a panel on the topic "Strong Libraries Need Strong Foundations." Panelists will include Judy Armstrong and Jerry Smith of Roswell and John Hadsell of Las Cruces. Armstrong, Assistant Dean of Instructional Support at the Roswell campus of Eastern New Mexico University, is a former assistant director of the Roswell Public Library and has been a member of the board of the Friends of the Roswell Public Library since

Lon Dickerson
1983, serving as president from 1984 to 1986. She writes a weekly column about the Library for the *Roswell Daily Record*. Smith, a former mayor of Roswell, has long been active in community fundraising activities and currently is Executive Director of the New Mexico Military Institute Foundation. Hadsell, the first president of the New Mexico Friends of Libraries, has been active in the Friends of the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library and as a member of their board of trustees. Last year, he received the ALTA/Gale Outstanding Trustee Conference Grant.

Dr. Lotsee Patterson of the Oklahoma City Public Schools will report to the Native American Round Table on the Native American Pre-Conference of WHCLIS at their program Friday morning.

**Herbert White**, whose column "The White Papers" appears in *Library Journal*, will address the connection between librarians and administrators in a Friday afternoon program. It will be sponsored by the College, University, and Special Libraries Division; the New Mexico Consortium of Biomedical and Hospital Libraries; and the Rio Grande Chapter of SLA. White is Dean of the Indiana University School of Library and Information Science and has written more than 120 books and articles on library administration, supervision, special library management, and library automation.

School librarians will find the SLCYAS Division "Make and Take Session" at 3:30 p.m. Friday a source of great ideas to take home to their libraries. **Joyce Etulain** will repeat the "Twas the Night Before Christmas" program she presented at the ALA conference. Carol Kellerman will demonstrate the program she uses to introduce high school students to books that have been challenged and to the ideas of censorship and intellectual freedom.

A panel at the meeting of the New Mexico Academic and Research Librarians will discuss "As Resourceful As We Want To Be: Hidden Resources In Our Academic Libraries" Friday afternoon. **Linda Blazer** of the NMSU Rio Grande Historical Collection, **Rose Diaz** of the Center for Southwest Research at UNM, **Ben Wakashige** of the WNMU Silver City Project, and **Mary Jo Walker** of the ENMU Science Fiction Collection will describe the connections between their research resources and the community.

Anyone wanting to find out more about Roswell libraries and how they connect with the community is invited to take a self-guided tour of local libraries. The archives of the Chaves County Historical Society and the library of the Roswell Correctional Center as well as public, academic, and school libraries will be included in the tour.

**The Conference-Within (Almost)-A-Conference Connection**

The already information-packed conference will be augmented by a pre-conference and a post-conference. On Wednesday, April 17, **Dinah Jentgen** of the New Mexico State Highway Department Library and **Scott Sheldon** of the New Mexico State Library will share their knowledge of how to keep your resources safe. Their workshop, entitled "Conservation and Disaster Preparedness," is sponsored by the State Library and will be held from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m.

The post-conference workshop on Saturday, April 20 will feature **Dr. Charles R. McClure** of Syracuse University describing "Strategies to Implement Reference Service Evaluation Techniques." The workshop will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is co-sponsored by the Government Documents Round Table and Books West Southwest. Dr. McClure will provide an overview of specific reference evaluation techniques and explain how they can be implemented.

**The Convivial Connection**

In the midst of all this information, there will be programs and activities whose main purpose is enjoyment. The Education Committee is sponsoring Albuquerque personal growth consultant **Vivian Harris** in a program entitled "Going for the Gold: How to Take Effective Risks for Success." The Thursday morning presentation will combine practical information with humor.

Dynamic octogenarian historian **Opal Lee Priestley** will be the speaker at the SLCYAS Division breakfast Friday morning. Her book *Bill the Kid: The Good Side of a Bad Man* has been fascinating New Mexico readers of all ages. The former Las Cruces newspaperwoman will entertain her audience with an account of her research into the role of Preacher Lewis' wife: "It Takes a Saint to Live With One."

The Public Relations Committee's photo and poster contest promises to be a great source of ideas for you to take home, and the Silent Auction will be a truly enjoyable way to get bargains on exciting items and contribute to NMLA coffers.

The local arrangements committee is not unaware that the success of any library conference is judged at least partially by the quantity and quality of the food and entertainment available. The Roswell Chamber of Commerce will host a wine and cheese tasting at the
grand opening of the exhibits on Wednesday evening. There will be continental breakfast available in the exhibits area Thursday and Friday mornings, and refreshments will be served during the afternoon break both days.

Evening special events will include the awards banquet Thursday at the Club House Restaurant west of Roswell—you'll love the sunset and the view of the mountains. A poolside barbecue at the Roswell Inn will conclude the conference Friday night. There'll be live entertainment at both events.

Everyone involved in planning the 1991 NMLA Conference is working hard to get the best possible programs and activities, but they'll be incomplete without you. Pre-register by March 15 to be sure you make the right connections.

Charles McClure to Present Two Conference Programs

Jeanette Smith, Documents Round Table

Nationally acclaimed speaker, researcher, and author Charles R. McClure is scheduled to speak at two conference programs sponsored by the Documents Round Table.

On Saturday, April 20, Dr. McClure will present a Post-Conference Workshop entitled "Strategies to Implement Reference Service Evaluation Techniques." Targeted to a broad spectrum of public service librarians, this professional workshop provides an overview of specific reference evaluation techniques and how these techniques can be implemented in your library.

The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration is $15 for NMLA members and $25 for nonmembers. The workshop is co-sponsored by Books West Southwest of Tucson.


On Friday, April 19, Dr. McClure will present the Documents Round Table program on the topic "Access to Electronic Federal Information Through the Depository Library Program: Issues and Prospects." There will be a question and answer period following the presentation.

Charles R. McClure is a Professor at the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University where he teaches courses in U.S. government information management and policies, information resources management, library and information center management, and planning and evaluation of information services.

He has authored or edited some 25 monographs and more than 130 reports and articles on topics related to library management, reference services, U.S. government information, information resources management, and information policy.

McClure served as the principal investigator for the Public Library Development Project, which resulted in the 1987 ALA publication of two publications previously mentioned, Planning and Role Setting and Output Measures, and as the principal investigator for studies related to the management of government information and information policy, funded by many federal agencies including the Office of Technology Assessment, the Bureau of the Census, the National Technical Information Service, and the Government Printing Office.

As president of Information Management Consultant Services, Inc., he works with libraries, government agencies and corporations regarding the design, implementation, management, and evaluation of information services.

Watch for the Post-Conference Workshop flyer in your conference registration packet. All are invited to attend these two informative and timely programs.

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Farewell From Ye Editor

Thank you, dear readers, for making my term as NMLA Newsletter editor such a pleasant and enjoyable one. I hope you will also bombard my successor with a similar stream of interesting and informative articles.

Carol Joiner

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Report of the Nominations and Elections Committee

Gloria Trujillo, Chair

The slate of candidates for the 1991 election, along with a petition form, was sent to the membership prior to November 1. No petitions were received by the Chair a week after the postmark deadline of January 1, and the Chair proceeded to forward election materials to be printed and mailed by The Lindsey Company. Included in the packet, which was mailed to current members on February 1, were biographies of the candidates, campaign statements, the official ballot, and an envelope in which to mail the ballot.

The deadline for returning ballots is March 1, after which the Nominations and Elections Committee will meet to tabulate the ballots. The results of the election will be announced at the Executive Board meeting and the NMLA business meeting at the conference in Roswell. Following are pictures of four of the six nominees. Photos of Alison Almquist and David Null, candidates for Second Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, were not available.

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Stan Ruckman, 2nd V.P.

Jeanette Smith, 2nd V.P.

Deborah Eagan, Treasurer

Rosie Klopfer, Treasurer
**Evaluation of Public Services and Public Services Personnel**

*Donna Cromer, UNM General Library*

The 32nd Allerton Institute, October 28–30, 1990, was co-sponsored by the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and by the Reference and Adult Services Division of the American Library Association.

The conference was attended by 150 librarians from around the country, including four from New Mexico. Representatives from academic libraries slightly outnumbered those from public libraries. The conference was held at Robert Allerton Park (about 30 miles from Champaign), a beautiful estate with miles of trails through woodlands and formal gardens. The weather cooperated and the fall foliage was perfect. In addition to the beautiful surroundings, the food was excellent, with fresh-baked breads and desserts and more or less efficient service. But all of this aside, it was a wonderful opportunity to meet with and talk to other librarians in similar circumstances, but different states and libraries. There was lots of discussion between the sessions, plus it was a time to think about how all of this information could be applied in one's own situation.

What follows is a summary of the more interesting papers given, including some of my own thoughts, opinions, conclusions, etc.

**Keynote address: “Can We Get There From Here? Folk Wisdom and Science—The Imperative for Evaluating Reference Performance” by James Rettig, Assistant University Librarian for Reference and Information Services, the College of William and Mary.**

The speaker began with a discussion of the nature of public services, stating that it is important to first try to define what public services are. He noted that of all the various services that could be termed public, reference is the most ambiguous. He claimed that reference service in academic libraries is the most ambiguous of all, primarily because of a controversy over what reference service in academic libraries should be—provision of the answer or provision of instruction.

The rest of the talk was more or less a condemnation of most bibliographic instruction. He suggested that for bibliographic instruction to be useful and effective certain strategies should be followed:

- teach critical thinking skills and search strategy methods rather than simple mechanics
- focus on upper division classes so students would learn these skills when they need them
- begin to emphasize evaluation of information instead of just document retrieval.

There was lots of buzzing in the halls about this speech!

"Scouting the Perimeters of Unobtrusive Inquiry" by Thomas Childers, College of Information Studies, Drexel University.

A review of unobtrusive testing of reference services in libraries was presented. The early studies were restricted to asking by telephone questions that required "short factual unambiguous" answers. These studies have pretty consistently shown that libraries answer only 50–60% of the questions completely correct. If referrals are counted as correct, the percentage rises to 75–80%. Something important to note is that the range for individual libraries and librarians is from 0 to 100, so we do get it all the way right sometimes (and I suppose all the way wrong too!). Relatively few answers are completely wrong, and the major failure appears to be in not even attempting an answer. There were a number of problems with these earlier studies, however. Two of the problems are that providing answers to "short factual unambiguous" questions is only a small part of what most library reference services do. Also, the telephone is in itself a problematic medium. Some of these shortcomings have been addressed in later studies. Interestingly, the results have not changed substantially. These kinds of studies have so far primarily provided results at the system level, not individual librarians or libraries. What’s needed now are different kinds of studies, qualitative studies that provide more understanding of the whole reference process. But what has been done demonstrates that not all is well in reference services land!

"The Diagnostic Evaluation of Reference Service in an Academic Library" by F.W. Lancaster, Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Illinois, and Alan R. Nourie and Cheryl Elzy of the Milner Library, Illinois State University.

This talk was a description of an actual unobtrusive study undertaken at Illinois State University (Lancaster was involved in developing the methodology and Nourie and Elzy were involved in the actual carrying out of the study). It was different from most others in that the study was aimed at individual departments and librarians in the library. While the librarians knew a study would be done sometime that year, they were unaware exactly when it was taking place. It was also understood that the results would not be connected in any way to merit or evaluations, and that whether or not any individual wished to see his or her results would be voluntary. Students were hired and trained to ask the questions in person. As for results, a "good attitude" seemed to correlate with high accuracy. Also interesting was an apparent lack of consensus on what "good" reference service is in that library—provision of instruction or information.

**Discussion session.**

In this discussion session a number of interesting questions were raised. In regard to the Illinois State U. study, the scoring apparently mixed accuracy of the answer with choice of level of service (15 points were given to leading the student to the source and finding
the answer; 14 points were given to directing the student to the right source, implying that reference service giving instruction in how to find the source was not as good service--what is good reference service in that library? Many people feel unobtrusive testing is unethical and akin to spying. Most patron complaints are about the kind of service they get, and not that they got a wrong answer (ah, but they probably don't know that the answer they got was wrong!). Should evaluations be related to merit? Unobtrusive studies involve an enormous amount of time, effort, and money--are they worth it? Particularly in view of the fact that a number of other obtrusive-type studies appear to give similar (although slightly better) results.

It seems to me that there is a very basic problem here, and that is that there is a lot of disagreement over what reference services in academic libraries should be--provision of information (or the answer) or provision of instruction in how to go about finding the answer. That before an evaluation study is undertaken, there needs to be an understanding of what is best in a particular library. And that these kinds of issues should be discussed over and over again.

"Gathering and Using Patron and Librarian Perceptions of Question Answering Success" by Charles Bunge, Professor, School of Library and Information Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

This was a discussion of a (I presume) recently-developed reference services survey instrument. The survey is designed to come up with a way for reference personnel to gather evaluative data on their performance and the reference environment. It uses both the reference librarian and the patron as data sources; the two are connected by the perforated design of the form itself. It is easy to use and fits fairly well into a routine. One problem with these kinds of surveys is that both librarians and patrons tend to overestimate success. To try to overcome this the survey gives lots of options for possible responses and leaves room for reasons why the question may not have been answered completely or at all. This methodology uses sampling and simplifies the data gathering and analysis. When enough forms are filled out (typically at least 200 to avoid large sampling errors) they are sent to Bunge's group where the analysis is performed.

The following is a sample of some of the questions asked:

**Patron**

1. Did you locate what you asked about at the reference desk? Six choices ranging from "yes" through "yes, but not really what I wanted" to "no."
4. If partly or not satisfied, why? Nine choices ranging from "found nothing" through "need more depth" to "not sure if the information given me is correct."
6. Was the librarian busy (e.g., phone ringing, others waiting)?
9. Were the explanations clear?
12. Did the librarian give you enough time?

The patrons are also asked to give some information about themselves and their questions.

**Librarian**

1. Type of question: ranging from "anything by a particular author" to "explanation of a particular source" to "a subject."
2. Results.
3. Special factors: 17 choices ranging from "patron in a hurry" to "needs books in another area or location."
4. Library instruction.
5. Number of sources used.

There is also a data-gathering form for directional questions.

The analysis gives percentages for your library and compares your library to other libraries who have already participated in this particular study.

I thought this was one of the best talks--in that a fairly simple, established survey instrument is there, just waiting to be used. I think it would provide meaningful results without a lot of time and hassle. There are costs for the forms and especially for the analysis, but if one considered the cost in staff time and energy it would take to develop one's own, it would be well worth the cost.

"Performance Evaluation of Public Service Employees" by Richard E. Rubin, Assistant Professor, School of Library Science, Kent State University.

Rubin covered a lot of ground in his talk on performance evaluation of individuals. It was the most informative and useful discussion of personnel evaluation I have ever heard.

Some of the drawbacks and problems of performance evaluation are as follows:

- it often doesn't work because it's dangerous
- there is an overly optimistic view of human beings—that supervisors are always fair and have a high level of interpersonal skills and that employees are always fair, open minded, and willing to take criticism!
- overall there is a climate of suspicion and lots of litigation
- it's perceived as an isolated event
- there are serious motivational implications in that a satisfactory rating often demotivates
- there are serious psychological risks for feelings of self and professional worth and threats to fiscal security and status.

One basic problem is that in performance evaluation there are usually two things going on—it is being used as an evaluation tool (i.e., it is judgmental) and it is being used to counsel people on how to do better. BUT any good counselor is non-judgmental.
The purpose of performance evaluation should be to raise performance outcomes, i.e., to raise productivity. It should be treated as a motivational tool.

Rubin then discussed the various factors that can affect review outcomes: attitude of the rater (intelligence, attention to detail, knowledge of the job, etc.); attitude of the ratee (aptitude, gender, etc.); and the rater-ratee interaction (the more similar the two are, the higher the rating, etc.).

Rubin suggested that the fact that there are more male administrators in the profession (when the profession is predominantly female) is an indication that gender is an influence in evaluations. One possible reason is what he termed "Attribution Theory" (we attribute different reasons for success). Two internal reasons are ability and effort. Two external reasons are luck and task difficulty. As one might guess (in business at least, since this has not been tested in librarianship), people attribute women's success to luck and circumstances, and men's success to ability and effort (of course these divisions are not absolute).

There are generally three types of evaluation forms in use today: trait-anchored (more biased, easier to challenge, difficult to compare, attempts to measure the "intangibles", easy, and quick); behaviorally-based (costly, time consuming, actually job based, holds up better in court, participation of all); and goal-based (costly, time consuming, needs good communication, improves supervisor knowledge, but may produce unethical behavior, inappropriate for some jobs). One should use the right evaluation tool. Goal-based is appropriate for managers and behavior-based is appropriate for reference librarians, while goal-based is probably not appropriate for clerk typists. Rubin also said that business and industry is moving away from goal-based evaluation, having found it ineffective. Behavior-based is being found to be better for true evaluation and provides better documentation.

Lastly, he had some recommendations:

• encourage employee participation
• attach monetary incentives
• make sure standards are clear and specific
• provide timely and frequent reviews
• set high yet realistic standards
• make sure supervisors are well trained
• make sure supervisors are knowledgeable about the job
• hire the right workers (although this sounds facetious, it really isn't, when you consider time, effort, and money spent on dealing with problem employees)

An Invitation to Join Serials Interest Group

Kathy Sowa, NASIG State Representative

The North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG) is an independent organization promoting communication and sharing of ideas among persons working with or concerned about serial publications.

NASIG's membership includes serial publishers, subscription agents, librarians, bibliographic utilities, educators, binders, and serials-oriented persons. Each June, NASIG holds a three day conference on a small college or university campus, offering an attractive environment without the high costs and distractions of an urban locale. The 1991 sixth annual conference will be held June 14-17 at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. The program will include formal papers, panels, workshops, tours, and nightly social events.

For your personal membership dues of $20 you receive six newsletters per year, a 50% discount on NASIG conference proceedings, and the first mailing for the annual conference.

Membership forms are available from: Ann Vidor, NASIG Treasurer, 1981 Innwood Road, Atlanta GA 30329, or from the NASIG State Representative, Kathy Sowa, NMSU Library, Box 30006/Dept 3475, Las Cruces, NM 88003, (505) 646/3104.

Bibliographic Instruction Workshop to be Offered

Kris Wycisk, NMARL President

The New Mexico Academic and Research Librarians (NMARL) is pleased to announce that we have received an ACRL grant to offer a bibliographic instruction training workshop for academic and research librarians and professional staff in our state and neighboring areas. The tentative dates are June 13 and 14, 1991, at the Continuing Education Center on the University of New Mexico campus in Albuquerque. A half-day teaching methodologies session for bibliographic instruction librarians will be followed by a full day of presentations and working sessions for both librarians actively involved in bibliographic instruction and those interested in participating in instruction. Deborah Fink, a noted researcher, instructor, and speaker on bibliographic instruction, will join with multicultural education specialists to explore methods of teaching critical thinking skills in our college and university bibliographic instruction programs and to address the bibliographic instruction needs of our multicultural communities. If you have any questions about the workshop, please call Kris Wycisk, NMARL President, at UNM's Zimmerman Library, 277-6202.

Program announcements and registration materials should be reaching you soon!

Roswell Librarian Honored

Mary Stickford, Youth Services Librarian at the Roswell Public Library, was honored in November as the recipient of Roswell's Celebrate Literacy Award, presented by the Roswell chapter of the International Reading Association. Ms. Stickford joined the library staff in 1983, just in time to help celebrate the fifth anniversary of the new library building at 301 N. Pennsylvania. Since that time, there has been a 441% increase in the checkout of books and other materials from the Children's Area, and an increase of 300% in the at-
tendance at programming for children. Due to this increase, the Malone Room was added to the Roswell Public Library and dedicated to the children of Roswell in 1989, which coincidentally had also been designated as the "International Year of the Young Reader." Ms. Stickford strives to make reading fun and exciting by presenting weekly story and craft times as well as conducting school tours, and workshops. As an incentive to read, many gift books are given to children throughout the year. She hopes that these children will find a lifelong joy in reading and libraries.

New Mexico Academic and Research Librarians Annual Meeting at NMLA Conference

Betsy Kraus, President-Elect

Our annual meeting and program will take place in Roswell on Friday, April 19, 1991, at 3:30 p.m. during the NMLA conference.

Many people think of an academic archive as collecting materials primarily related to the parent institution. Our program "As Resourceful As We Want To Be: Hidden Resources In Our Academic Libraries" will discuss the unique special collections held in four academic archives in our state. Our guest speakers and their topics include:

Linda Blazer, the Rio Grande Historical Collection
Mary Jo Walker, the Science Fiction Collection at ENMU
Ben Wakashige, the Silver City/WNMU Bibliography Project
Rose Diaz, Center for Southwest Research, UNM

Ms. Diaz will also talk about her role as the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Center, and she will offer advice on developing a collection. Brochures will be available on the collections to take back to your library for future reference.

The election of officers will be completed by mail this year so watch your mailbox in March for a ballot and please return it by the due date. The new officers will be introduced at the meeting.

If your library has a special collection other librarians should know about, contact Betsy Kraus, New Mexico Tech Library, Socorro, NM 87801, 835-5766. We would like to make your brochure/information sheet available at the meeting.

The European Community

Kathleen Keating,
UNM General Library

"Looking Beyond 1992: Access to EC Information" was the title of a workshop for European Community Depository Libraries held in Washington, D.C. October 29-30, 1990. An introduction to the European Community and current developments was presented by Peter Doyle, Director, Office of Press and Public Affairs. The Delegation and Europeans look optimistically to the 1992 implementation and they see an embryonic U.S. of Europe being created by business people involved in the Common Market. The EC is excited about 1992 but also looks toward other goals, such as the creation of a monetary union, a Central Bank, possible enlargement of the current twelve communities, and trade with eastern block countries. Pressure is being felt by the EC to admit new members and they are cautious not to expand too quickly because of the need for cohesion. Negotiations with six other countries, to combine with the existing twelve, are ongoing. They are investigating the six countries on foreign policy, security, defense, economic stability, political stature and other areas. Trade with eastern Europe and their admittance to the EC will be gradual as the 1992 agreements are implemented.

Lucien Emringer, Director, Office for Official Publications discussed the EC as a publisher and their current policies and future trends. The OP (Official Publications) is responsible for editorial work, technical administration of printing, and distribution of publications to the public, including the depository libraries. Perhaps the most impressive aspect is that every single title must be published in nine different languages and be sold under twelve different currencies. This multilingual printer has offices all over the world, employs 424 people, and publishes 650 titles per year--again, in nine languages. Future plans include the distribution of publications in electronic format, publication of documents on demand, and the Priority Publication Program which emphasizes information on current issues and raising awareness.

Colin Hensley, Database Officer, explained the EC's on-line databases. The three types are bibliographical, full text, and statistical. These consist of:

1) Eurobases (CELEX, SCAD and Info-92) which are legislative in nature,
2) ECHO databases (EABS, Eurodicauton, Euristote) which are scientific, and
3) Statistical databases (CRONOS, COMEXT).

The U.S. can access these databases through Telenet or TYMNET. Mr. Hensley has written a helpful article on this topic in "Database Magazine" December 1989. It provides a very good overview for anyone interested in this subject.

The Head of Public Inquires, Barbara Sloan, gave a presentation on the EC's institutions and major publications. The legal documentation of the EC was covered in detail, including and defining the Commission, the Council of Ministers, the European Parliament, and the Court of Justice. Specific documents which these groups publish were covered also, e.g. Official Journal, COM documents. Private commercial sources were also discussed as to their usefulness in gaining access to EC documents and the costs involved.

The EC's Office for Official Publications is a prolific printer and a wealth of information. The University of New Mexico is a European Community Depository Library and anyone interested in this topic is encouraged to contact us for more information.
Establishment of a New Mexico Library Association Foundation to be discussed at NMLA Conference in Roswell April 18, 1991 3:30pm

All members are encouraged to attend the general membership meeting to hear details on the creation of this new Foundation for NMLA supporters.

NMLA is considering the creation of a Foundation to establish a permanent funding base for the New Mexico Library Association activities. Also, this Foundation will provide a suitable method for NMLA supporters to leave donations in perpetuity for the Association. A foundation is an instrument to provide an organization the ability to offer its community a permanent fund for the support of educational, social, and individual professional growth. The idea behind this suggestion comes from numerous queries that NMLA receives from members and other interested supporters about where and how donations or perceived donations are used within our group.

A good example are the funds raised each year from the "Silent Auction" held at the NMLA Conference. Many contributors to the auction, as well as bidders, ask where the monies earned end up. It would be a natural conclusion to have the proceeds placed in a permanent Foundation to earn interest for the Association. The Foundation's income through interest would be used in a variety of ways. The income could support scholarships, educational support, and also provide general operating funds. This could all be done without disturbing the continued growth of the Foundation.

Many nonprofit groups have established a Foundation or endowment similar to the one to be discussed at our annual conference. Corrales Public Library is an excellent example of how successful a foundation can be to raise permanent funds to support their library. The Corrales Public Library has allowed their foundation to grow through the generous contributions of the community. Their popular fund raising activities have also provided a substantial addition to their foundation.

With an initial seed fund to establish the Foundation for the New Mexico Library Association, it is hoped that this Foundation will allow the Association to have the capability to expand its programs and financial support for its members and the community of librarians in the state.

Please come and join us in Roswell in April to discuss the creation of this Foundation. The benefits to the association and all those concerned with libraries throughout the state are significant. Your input will help NMLA make a thoughtful decision on this proposal. The members of NMLA must approve its creation by a formal vote.
The Charleston Conference has once again demonstrated its unique style—one of promoting an open forum for the exchange of ideas among a gregarious groups of librarians, publishers, and vendors. In its tenth year, the Charleston Conference continues to display versatility in adapting to the changing environment and needs of its audience.

The nebulous theme of the 1990 conference, "Issues in Book and Serial Acquisition: The Pure and Simple Truth," presented each participant with the opportunity to sample a variety of topics. Representative contributions from the diverse sessions are featured in the following paragraphs.

Gordon Graham's opening presentation entitled, "Publishers, Librarians, and the Eternal Triangle," discussed the interwoven relationships among publishers, librarians, and users. As former chairman of Butterworths, Gordon's observations have been formulated from over fifty years of involvement in the publishing industry. The "information glut," or "too much information chasing too little money" is a prime factor straining these already-depreciating relationships. In order for this triangle to regain its fluidity, and to reach its full potential, communication must be an integral part of the process.

The concept of "Librarians as Gatekeepers of Information" is a topic worth mulling over. Carol Chamberlain, Head of Acquisitions, Penn State University, likened the "gate" to the library, the "gatekeeper" to the librarian, and the "gatehouse" to the organization. Information comes into the gate from both sides. While in theory the gate should always be open, the economy, the publishing industry, and tighter budgetary control are factors contributing to its closing. Rather than allowing this to happen, libraries need to find "new pathways" through the gates. Network publishing, full-blown document delivery systems, and electronic journals, are just a sampling of "new keys" to open the gate.

"By your selection criteria ye are known," was the opening statement for Daniel Richards' discourse on "Criteria/Quality Control in Collection Development." As Collection Development Officer at the National Library of Medicine, Richards oversees the formulation and continuing review of collection development policy. The view that libraries exist to facilitate communication is fundamental to the building of excellent and effective library collections. While there is great variation in and between libraries, all libraries have similarities. Because this is true, it is essential that a common framework of collection development criteria be utilized. Based on changes in information needs, information formats available, and available funding, librarians have been forced to become increasingly more specific in selection criteria. While collection development is based on choices, the organization's policy statement defines these choices, helping to decrease the level of bias in selection.

Two complementary papers highlighting the declining awareness of and necessity for acquisition librarians were presented at the session entitled "Rolls in Acquisitions and Collection Development: The Open Window." Donna Cohen, Head of Acquisitions, Rollins College, presented results gleaned from an acquisitions instruction survey. Of 49 institutions queried, only seven instructional programs include a course(s) devoted exclusively to acquisitions. In particular, one respondent felt that "the detail of acquisitions work remains a clerical operation, which cannot justify teaching in a graduate school course." The feeling that acquisitions is a skill that is learned on the job, and not necessarily a course that should be taught in school, was one result of this survey. Conversely, Cohen, and the audience alike, believe that acquisitions is a theoretical science that needs to be expounded on formally at library school. Christian Boissonnas, Head of Acquisitions, Cornell University, discussed the disturbing trend of merging the acquisitions and collection development departments. Empowering selectors to be responsible for the entire process from choosing items, to vendor contacts, and then to actually ordering the items, is detrimental to the collection. Development of acquisition skills is a long-term process, the expertise which selectors don't have the time to develop. If one believes that a library collection is the core of its being, diluting the acquisition functions can only serve to destroy this core. In order to reverse this trend, libraries need to demand that students are trained for acquisition positions, and actively market these as exciting positions. Additionally, development of a strong library-oriented base of acquisitions research will increase visibility within the organizations and to the library schools.

The idea that we are moving toward a major revolution in the way we acquire and deliver information was a theme shared by many papers. The concept of expanding access through resource sharing has become central to planning in nearly every type of library. Resource sharing is necessitated because of the rapidly-increasing volume of publications, cost of new publications, and cost of storing and servicing these collections. The impact of resource sharing upon collection development will depend largely on whether it is treated as an excuse to do less, or as a challenge to do more!

The final session was majestically staged in the historic Dock Street Theatre. Panelists Richard Abel, Gordon Graham, John Merriman, and Lyman Newlin reflected on the history of the library, jobber, and publisher relationship. This oral history linked the audience to the past, and the behind-the-scenes relationships of these precursors of the industry.

Conferences provide us with the opportunity to get together with people having similar interests. Establishing contacts, networking, and sharing information are only a few of the benefits gleaned. The Charleston Conference provides a traditional mix of scholarly presentations and panel reactions in an informal setting. The distinctive "aura" of this conference is one not to be missed. Mark your calendars for November 7-9, 1991, and plan to attend the Eleventh Charleston Conference 1991. ⭐
Scholarships for Minority Students

The American Library Association has a scholarship specifically for minority students for study toward a Master's Degree in Library or Information Science.

The LITA/OCLC Minority Scholarship in Library and Information Technology is for students interested in a career in applications of automation in libraries. The application deadline is April 1, 1991. Contact: Library and Information Technology Association, 1-800-545-2433, ext. 4270.

Remember, you can't be awarded one of these opportunities if you don’t apply. New Mexico needs you. Consider a library career with the chance to make the contribution only you can make.

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Interview with Senator Jeff Bingaman

Susan Oberlander, Chair
Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee

Jeff Bingaman has been one of our state’s Senators since 1983. A lawyer by profession, he also served as Attorney General of New Mexico from 1979-82. He grew up in Silver City where his parents still live. Our interview with Senator Bingaman took place in his Santa Fe offices. Karen Watkins, State Librarian, accompanied me to the interview.

We discussed censorship first. I told Bingaman about the newly formed group, New Mexicans Against Censorship, of which NMLA is a part, and described the group’s plans for the coming year. The coalition had written to the Senator to praise his strong First Amendment speech during the flag amendment debates last summer. From conversations with the Senator and his staff during the last year, it is clear that Bingaman feels strongly about our rights to speak, read, and view. It does not seem that he will be easily swayed by censorship forces.

Because of Senator Bingaman’s recent appointment to the Education, Arts and Humanities Subcommittee of Labor and Human Resources, which reauthorizes both the Higher Education Act and the Library Services and Construction Act, both Karen and I felt that it was important to tell Bingaman how that money benefits New Mexico. The Senator has a strong interest in education, as evidenced by the hearings he recently conducted on math and science test scores, and in his support of drop-out programs in the state. He asked us to keep him informed of changes that the library community wished to see in both HEA, due for reauthorization in 1991, and LSCA, due for reauthorization in 1994. We also asked him to consider library resources as a part of any education legislation in which he might be involved. Bingaman was invited to speak on education at the pre-White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services on February 17th in Albuquerque.

School libraries were the next topic. Karen told the Senator about a new program called Enchanted History that the State Library is developing. If funded by the Legislature, it would establish model programs in selected school libraries to support teaching of 7th grade New Mexico history. She stressed the difficulty facing school libraries due to limited budgets, as well as the lack of trained librarians. The State Library is considering whether they should ask the Legislature for a state-aid appropriation for school libraries to be administered in the same way as the state-aid appropriation for public libraries.

Lastly, we discussed library networking options for the state and the nation. Karen expressed her hope that library networking would benefit all citizens, and not just the patrons of universities and national labs of the state. In its position paper on the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, the American Library Association and Association of College and Research Libraries are advocating increasing use of the money from HEA to support networking between libraries as well as for the National Research and Educational Network. This network (NREN) was contained in a bill co-sponsored by Senator Bingaman in the last Congress. The bill died with the October adjournment of the 101st Congress. However, it is certain to be reintroduced in the next Congress.

We look forward to working with Senator Bingaman on future projects concerning education and library services for citizens of New Mexico.

Conference Hotels
Sally Port Inn 1-622-6430
$46 single or double
Roswell Inn 1-623-4920
$46 single, $52 double
Commemorative Stamp Launched for New Mexico's Native Son, Senator Dennis Chavez

Michael Miller, UNM General Library

New Mexico's political history has witnessed many champions of the Hispanic people. Among those influential leaders were Padre Antonio Jose Martinez, Ezequiel C. de Baca, Octaviano A. Larrazolo, Joseph M. Montoya, and Dennis Chavez. It was Dennis Chavez however, who established the pattern for modern Hispanic politicians and he was a pioneer of equal rights at a time when equality was not in fashion.

Chavez was born in Los Chavez, New Mexico in 1888. His father, David Chavez, was a farmer and a rancher. But he also found politics to be an exciting way of life and it was politics, better schools, and more job opportunities that lured him to Albuquerque in 1895. Albuquerque was beginning to blossom into a city at that time and Dennis Chavez was to become a major part of it.

He was educated in the Albuquerque school system and entered politics at an early age. Chavez developed an interest in Thomas Jefferson's political philosophy, which placed human rights over property rights. It was this political philosophy which led him to break with the Republican party, his father's party, and pursue a career as a Democrat. He saw Jefferson's ideas as a workable alternative to the patron system which flourished under the Republicans in New Mexico, and which in Chavez's view made farmers, laborers, and workers politically and economically subservient to landowners and employers. His first opportunity to champion this liberal cause was during the railroad strike of 1903, when he lost his job because of support for the strikers.

In 1916, at the age of twenty-eight, Chavez ran for his first public office, Bernalillo County Clerk. He lost the election, but he gained the attention of Senator Andries Jones who took him to Washington D.C. and taught him the art of national politics. In Washington he also earned a law degree at Georgetown University, but public office was his real love.

In 1922, he was elected state representative and sponsored his first reform legislation, free textbooks for public school children. The voters liked this and his other ideas, and elected him to the U.S. Congress in 1930.

One of his goals as a first term congressman was to improve the water problems facing New Mexico and the Southwest. Chavez also sponsored the Pueblo Lands Bill which clarified the claims of non-Indian settlers whose land titles and water rights conflicted with the Pueblos. And he helped to establish the Spanish-American Normal School in El Rito.

When Senator Bronson Cutting died tragically in an airplane crash in 1935, Governor Clyde Tingley appointed Dennis Chavez to fill the vacant seat in the Senate. It was a position to which he was re-elected five times and held until his death in 1962.

Chavez's career in the Senate is memorable. It was in the Senate that he earned his national reputation as a defender of civil rights. His strong commitment against racial intolerance and his belief in the rights of all men, laid the foundation and inspired others in Congress to support civil rights legislation. His undying efforts for racial equality earned him the title of "father of the modern day civil rights movement."

To celebrate Dennis Chavez's distinguished personal and political career, the United States Postal Service will issue a commemorative stamp to honor and recognize his many achievements. The stamp will be dedicated and presented to the American public on April 3, 1991 at the University of New Mexico's Center for Southwest Research. The Chavez family and the University invite all New Mexicans to join them and commemorate the memory of one of New Mexico's most illustrious native sons, Senator Dennis Chavez.

These 12 stories, previously published in popular magazines between 1927 and 1963, deal primarily with the deterioration of the old Navajo customs and the immense suffering some individuals endured. They emerge from the page as real people dealing with cultural and personal conflicts. Most of the endings are not happy, but rather they come as a natural process, even if that process results in tragedy.

The author of the Pulitzer Prize winning Laughing Boy, LaFarge came to appreciate Indian culture as an anthropology student in Arizona in 1921 and became known as an "Indian expert." His stories reflect his vast knowledge of the Indian culture with an accuracy not often found in ethnological material. He does, however, create his own fictional tribe and pueblo.

Readers who are not familiar with Native Americans will form a kinship with Molly Houghton in "The Bride at Dead Soldier Spring" as she faces the lonely harsh living in an alien culture. All readers will cheer Spotted Shield in "Policeman Follow Order" as he carries out his police duties, and they will weep with Fall Walker's wife in "Hard Winter" as she watches her baby get sicker and sicker.

Although the stories were written for an adult audience, the mature high school student will enjoy the book. LaFarge's style is clear, graceful, natural, and ageless. Any fan of Tony Hillerman will instantly become enthralled with the work of Oliver LaFarge in general and Yellow Sun, Bright Sky in particular.

Reviewed by Darlene Nelson, Bent, NM


In 1880, William Hazeldean predicted that the arrival of the railroad in Albuquerque would have many beneficial results including a recognition that the territory was in some way connected to the United States. Almost one hundred years later, the editors of New Mexico Magazine discovered that much of the bureaucratic United States (ranging from federal and state governments to the phone company, fraternal organizations and major corporations) still consider the Land of Enchantment foreign or non-existent, and launched their "One of Our Fifty is Missing" column. This short book is a compilation of many of the best anecdotes from the magazine along with cartoons illustrating some of the worst gaffes.

The anecdotes are fun reading. They’d also be a great addition to any class studying New Mexico, and they do point out humorously that poor geography skills have consequences. Classroom sleuths might also be able to find some of their own examples to share and/or illustrate.

Reviewed by Judy Crocker, Aspen Elementary School, Los Alamos

Editor’s Note: Any reader interested in reviewing materials for this column should contact the editor, Judy Crocker, at Aspen Elementary School, 2182 33rd Street, Los Alamos, 87544. We review materials appropriate for elementary and secondary-aged children. The next deadline will be April 1991.

New Mexico Library Association Goals 1990-1991

Continuing Goals
1. Actively support literacy programs in NM and encourage participation of librarians in the NM Coalition for Literacy.
2. Actively support the promotion of reading among the people of NM.
3. Support increased funding and other financial support for all types of libraries.
5. Encourage and promote technology that will make information accessible to all types of libraries with particular emphasis on the rural libraries.

Short Term Goals
1. Provide information about the NM Coalition for Literacy to the membership.
2. Evaluate Library Systems 2000 report and determine progress of NMLA and establish what remains to be accomplished.
3. Encourage membership in NMLA.

Work Program 1991-92

College, University & Special Libraries Division:
1. Increase the active participation in NMLA/CUS Division of technical staff members in academic and special libraries.
2. Promote and support professional activities within the state of NM for academic and special libraries.

Public Library Division:
1. With the NM State Library, participate in and support initiatives to assist rural NM libraries.
2. In cooperation with the NM State Library and the NMLA Education Committee, assist library staff in their efforts to acquire training or job enrichment—possibly through job sharing, a "buddy program," or other creative means.
3. Provide at least one workshop to broaden the administrative and planning capabilities of small to medium-sized public or community libraries.
School Libraries, Children’s & Young Adult Division:  
Not received.

Documents Round Table:  
1. To promote the use of State and Federal documents within the library community and to the public.  
2. To alert NMLA members to documents issued at the Federal or State level through articles in NMLA publications or special mailings.  
3. To continue to promote membership in the Documents Round Table.

Educational Technology Round Table:  
1. To promote awareness and appreciation of new innovations that will improve services or provide useful sources of information.  
2. To foster professional growth and development of library/media personnel.  
3. To provide a forum for the discussion of problems and solutions of current issues (i.e., networking the small library).  
4. To serve as a liaison between library/media personnel and production agencies regarding the publication and distribution of media.

Library Instruction Round Table:  
Not received.

Local and Regional History Round Table:  
1. Identify and create new sources for distributing copies of New Mexico Local and County Histories, A Bibliography.  
2. Plan a storytelling program for the 1992 conference with emphasis on the various cultures of NM.  
3. Establish a liaison with various groups within NMLA and the community who have similar goals and interests, i.e. LUISA, Native American Round Table, New Mexico Historical.

LUISA Round Table:  
Not received.

Native American Libraries Round Table:  
Not received.

Online Round Table:  
1. To publicize training and educational opportunities in the area of online searching by submitting information for publication in the Hitchhiker and the NMLA Newsletter.  
2. To promote understanding of how the NMLA long-range automation plan can enable libraries to develop online computer search capabilities (to use nationwide databases and to expand access to local databases).  
3. Use survey information, explore with the State Library, if feasible, and present a workshop that will allow more librarians to satisfy their needs for automation.

Trustees and Friends Round Table:  
1. With the Public Libraries Division and the Membership Committee, actively seek to enroll members of library groups and trustees in NMLA.  
2. Support dissemination of information about censorship issues and help promote the NMLA legislative network by working with local legislators.  
3. Produce a trustees’ handbook to be distributed to trustee boards around the state.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee:  
Not received.  

Joe Weyers Instructs LUISA’s Workshop  
The LUISA Roundtable held an all-day workshop entitled, "Hablando Espanol en la Biblioteca" on October 6, 1990 at the Albuquerque Public Library. The class, under the direction of Dr. Rosa Fernandez, Spanish Language Professor from UNM, was taught by Joe Weyers.

A bilingual manual compiled by Mr. Weyers was provided to the attendees. This manual is a revised and re-organized edition of an original manual published by Yuma City-County Librarians Elaine Tregenza and Joanne Millard. The updated manual is copyrighted under sponsorship of the LUISA Roundtable. Copies are available at the Albuquerque Public Library.

Participants gave overall high ratings to the workshop and instructor. Attending were Elvira Segura-Langton & Gloria Montoya, Santa Fe Public Library; Angie Serrano, Barbara Salas & Joan Chavez, Moise Memorial Library; Angie Torres & Dorothy Re, T or C Public Library; Sandra Valenzuela, NM State Library; Rita Sue Medina, Hatch Public Library; Phyllis Morgan, (private library) Tucson; Deborah Eagan, Laguna Elementary School; Regine Morris, Albuquerque Public Schools; Joe Sabatini & Bernice Martinez, Albuquerque Public Library; Sandra Gonzales & Helen Herrera, Taos Public Library; and Maria Archuleta, Alamogordo.
Minutes For Business Meeting
Santa Fe, NM
April 27, 1989

The Business Meeting of the New Mexico Library Association was called to order by President Karen Watkins at 3:45 p.m. in the Anasazi Room of the El Dorado with 58 people in attendance.

Karen Watkins reported on the activities of NMLA during the year. The Association is responsible for handling and investing over $100,000. Membership is nearly 500 which includes 20 institutional members. The Association has been active and successful in legislation and automation thanks to the legislative network and many others. In the area of automation a special committee drafted a plan which will receive its first public hearing at this conference. In terms of streamlining association routine, we have transferred much printing and mailing to the Lindsey Co. during the year while retaining editorial and policy making authority. There has never been a local MLS program but largely due to the efforts of the NMLA Education Committee courses will be offered in Albuquerque this fall and coming spring.

MINUTES
Upon motion (Linda Avery/Bob Pierson), the minutes of the business meeting of 1988 were accepted as printed in the April 1989 Newsletter.

TREASURER’S REPORT
Ellanie Sampson reported that budget copies were available at the head table. The association began this year with an opening balance of $8238. Upon closing the books in April, the balance was $5592.93. Conference figures are not included in this balance.

ALA COUNCILOR
Lowell Duhrsen highlighted his term as Councilor. Everyone should attend one Council meeting. Ben Wakashige will attend the Dallas meeting. The structure of the next White House Conference is not yet known. Detailed reports appeared in the Newsletter.

STATE LIBRARIAN
Virginia Hendley reported on activities of the past year including the Talking books exhibit, the Reference institute developed under LS 2000, the 40 libraries on electronic mail (of which only a few were State Library funded), 17 fax installations, and 12 Bibliofile grants. The state library is developing a week institute on children’s services. The state library is celebrating its 60th anniversary year. A history of the State Library written by Daryl Black will soon be published.

REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE
PROGRAM CHAIR

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS
Daryl Black reported registration of about 425. Please complete the evaluation form.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
Heidi Sims report was read by Karen Watkins. The newsletter was streamlined this year via a publishing contract with the Lindseys. Only one editor is now needed and costs have been cut. Regarding the postconference newsletter remember the Procedural Handbook calls for committee annual reports for this newsletter if not published in the pre-conference newsletter. Also needed are the names of new officers of NMLA, division and round table officers, and committee chairs and members. The deadline for submission is May 6, 1989. Karen Watkins suggested that committees and roundtables have a special member to do the newsletter report.

REPORTS FROM DIVISIONS
College, University and Special Libraries Division
Stan Ruckman reported that the work goals sought last year were not met. The draft survey on microcomputers has been developed but not mailed. Ben Wakashige is incoming chair. Donna Cromer is chair-elect nominee. The work goals primarily consist of one—a joint conference with Arizona academic librarians in the fall of 1989.

Public Libraries Division
Erna Wentland reported both work goals were successfully addressed via the pilot program of library cards for children developed in Clovis and by the mailing state documents information to libraries. Documents mailing is planned to continue annually. Mary Lou Gooch is the new chair. Sandy White vice chair/chair-elect was elected at the noon meeting.

School Libraries, Children and Young Adult Services Division
Sarah Henderson reported that the work goals of last year were completed. The Land of Enchantment Children’s Book Award for 1988 was Dollhouse Murders by Betty R. Wright. The incoming chair will be Katherine
Harrington. The booklet "Libros en Resena de Nuevo Mexico -- Books on Review from New Mexico" was prepared by Dorothy Kahler. Due to the small number of suitable books, this will be the last edition and it will be distributed at the business meeting. In keeping with the new work goal, future reviews will be published in an NMLA Newsletter column. Two workshops on school library guidelines were presented. A joint committee with Intellectual Freedom Committee wrote an intellectual freedom policy statement. The incoming chair is Claire Odenheim.

REPORTS FROM ROUND TABLES

Documents Round Table
Norma McCallan reported on the cooperative documents mailing with the Public Library Division and the completion of other work goals, including adding the 25th and final state depository library. The nominees for vice-chair and chair-elect, Sandra Netharius and Reuben Aragon, respectively, were elected at the conference program/business meeting.

Library Instruction Round Table
Kate Clarke reported that, except for the fall workshop, the round table completed its work program goals. The Newsletter request for articles about successful instructional techniques has received no response. The NMLA-LIRT is affiliated with the national organization LIRT Affiliates Information Network, no fee involved. The nominee for vice-chair/chair-elect, Sylvia Ortiz, was elected. Deborah Eagan is incoming chair. The work program was accepted.

Local and Regional History Round Table
Betty Reynolds reported that the round table is still seeking new sources for sales of "New Mexico Local and County Histories," probably outside NM. Sales this year totaled $407.50 to yesterday. There are about 400 copies left, so revision has not been pursued. The vice-chair nominee is Ruth Bernstein.

LUISA Round Table
Kathy Costa clarified LUISA: it stands for Library Use and Information Services to Spanish-Speaking Americans. Bernice Comstock Martinez is the nominee for vice-chair/chair-elect. The survey of Spanish language collections sent to over 600 names received less than 45 completed surveys. A future newsletter article will give the results.

Native American Libraries Round Table
Lois Fellows reported that the work program was completed—the highlight was the fall workshop at Zuni Public Library. The NCLIS visit seemed successful. Lee Platero was elected chair at the program attended by about 50 persons. Lois Fellows was elected as round table vice-chair to ensure continuity.

Non-Print/NMAECT Round Table
Pat Carr announced that Jerry Klopfer had to resign and Pat Carr the vice chair replaced him in April. There were some problems with the goal regarding membership, as some of AECT policies were not helpful. Members are needed. The round table will seek continuity with chair Earl Phillips and Virginia Whitney of Aztec as vice-chair/chair-elect. Efforts will be undertaken to see if the roundtable is meeting the needs of the organization or if it is duplicating or overlapping. Plans include redefining the role of the round table, and preparing a brochure for promotion purposes. Work goals were approved with minor changes at the program attended by some 40 persons. Consideration will be given to changing the name of the round table so that it will not start with a negative.

Online Round Table
Roger Steeb reported that efforts are underway to plan a workshop for this fall on computer-assisted searching. Roger drafted some material for beginning on-line search services and, although elementary, it is available from Roger. The nominee for vice-chair/chair elect is Peggy Giltrow. Penny Grigsby is the incoming chair.

Trustees and Friends Round Table
Katie Kierst reported that two goals had been completed and that membership had been increased. The trustees handbook which has not been completed will continue as a coming year goal. Nominees for vice-chair and chair were George Marr and James Benefiel respectively and both were elected. The round table worked hard at supporting the library bond issue. The work program goals adopted for next year are very similar to those of last year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards Committee
Jeanette Smith reported successful completion of the work program. Award winners, to be presented at the banquet, are as follows:

Trustee of the Year:
John Hadsell

Community Achievement Award:
Ellanie Sampson

Legislator of the Year:
J. Paul Taylor

Librarian of the Year:
Susan Oberlander and George Morey

Honorary Life Membership:
Elinor McCloskey

Also, many thanks to all involved in the Friends of NM Libraries and Library Books '88.
Bylaws & Procedures Committee
Cheryl Wilson presented bylaw changes that were proposed in the preconference newsletter. 1) to change the number of business meetings held during the annual conference, Article IV: Annual conference shall be held which shall include at least one business meeting. Motion by Cheryl with second by Betty Reynolds, passed. 2) Change of term of office for the secretary Article VII officer term and duty Section IV: The secretary shall serve for 2 years. Cheryl moved/Betsy Kraus second, passed. 3) This amendment relates to reporting membership totals. Over the years conflicts occurred by considering association membership numbers for voting versus personal membership. All membership references in Article XIV were changed to "personal" members. Extensions of conference registration dates impacted on membership numbers; therefore Article XI Section IV would be changed to 15 calendar days prior to the first day of conference as the date for membership count. Cheryl moved, second Drew Harrington. Discussion followed. Passed.

Conference Site Committee
Betsy Kraus reported that the committee recommendation that the 1990 NMLA Annual Conference be held in Albuquerque at the Albuquerque Convention Center/Doubletree Hotel on April 18-21, 1990, was approved by the Board.

Education Committee
Susan Oberlander reported that the committee awarded education grants of $200 each to Stefanie Wittenbach, Jenny Rayson, and Kathryn Sowa to attend conferences. The B&T Grassroots Grant of $250 to a student of library science to attend NMLA was awarded to Laurie Macrae. The Marion Dorroh Scholarship was awarded to Cyndie Frame, who will attend Columbia University. The committee also completed arrangements for the University of Arizona to teach library science courses in Albuquerque in 1989-90.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee
Lois Godfrey and Elaine Shannon co-chairs. Lois Godfrey reported that legislative activities were extensive, expensive, and aggressive. Success was our reward, with the passage of the bond issue, instructional materials damage, state records and archives building, NMIMT Library, Literacy, Literacy for children at risk, and the Library Privacy Act, also the defeat of the Obscenity Act. Many thanks to all for the grass roots support that enabled these successes. Workshops conducted included the pre-conference "How to Stand Up For Intellectual Freedom" with Dr. Gene Lanier.

Library Development Committee
Betty Long reported that the committee completed its work program goals. Also the committee offered new procedures for the future work of this committee. The draft Goals and Work Program for 1989-90 were prepared and will be finally adopted at the Executive Board meeting Saturday.

Membership Committee
Perlinda Shelton reported on efforts to increase membership. A special committee was established to determine feasibility of membership pins and NMLA logo products. The final personal membership, including honorary members, is 486. There are 20 institutional and commercial members. All divisions and round tables retain full voting status, except Documents which is the only round table at this time that does not have voting status.

Nominations and Elections Committee
Harris Richard reported on two completed activities: 1) balloting for 3 proposed bylaws amendments (honorariums and reimbursements for NMLA members, membership requirements for officers and executive board members, and changing the name of the Publicity Committee to the Public Relations Committee) all passed overwhelmingly; and 2) the election of 1989-90 officers: 2nd Vice President, Daryl Black; Secretary, Drew Harrington; Treasurer, Carol Myers (2-yr. term), and ALA Councilor, Ben Wakashige (4-yr. term).

Publications Committee
Ruth Krug reported that the Lindseys signed a contract with us through June 1990. Heidi Sims is sole editor (she will continue 1 more year). The deadline for newsletter items was moved up to one week after each Board meeting. Procedures for mailing were revised and distributed for the Procedural Handbook.

Public Relations Committee
Bambi Adams reported the committee goals were met. Prize awards for the poster contest were expanded to 4 prizes per category and categories changed to age groups. The direct mailing promotion was the most successful and is recommended. National Library Week press releases were sent out, with bookmarks based on the 1988 winning posters. Scrapbooks have been assembled of publicity and poster pictures. New committee members are: Toni Beatty, Mark Adams and Jo Anne Colley. Susan Sonflyth is chair.

Special Committee on Mountain Plains Library Association
Joe Sabatini presented the report from Chair Virginia Seiser. Members Virginia Hendley and Sandra Spurlock helped gather and present information to the NMLA Executive Board. The Board decided that associated costs outweighed MPLA membership advantages and voted not to join.

Special Committee on Automation Planning
Karen stated that a draft automation plan had been developed. It will be presented during the conference and following. The Board will be asked to review and accept some plan at a later date.
Special Committee for Non-Member Database
Cheryl Wilson stated the committee was examining the feasibility of a non-member data base. This will be a way to reach what may be 1000 non-members. Target completion date is Jan., 1990.

Special Committee on Commercial Printing and Mailing Services
Nancy Ebeling reported that the Committee originally was "Special Committee for the Executive Secretary". We do not have an executive secretary but the activity of the committee led to our association with the Lindsey Co. About 150 requests for proposals were sent. Almost 100 responses were received with the Lindsey company winning. They have worked with us over a year and we have renewed their contract.

Special Committee for Promotional Products
Chuck Baldonado was not present. Karen reminded us of the newly designed mugs and shirts being sold this year.

Mini-conference
Chuck Baldonado not present--no report.

NEW MEXICO COALITION FOR LITERACY
Susie Sonflieth offered thanks to everyone who contacted legislators and helped enable a successful legislative initiative. An office has been opened and staffed this year. There is an 800 telephone number. Received Gannett Foundation Literacy Challenge Award (1 of 8 that received maximum award last year, 1 of 4 this year, the last of the award years).

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
Lois Godfrey presented a resolution for action in support of the State Library. Be it resolved by the NMLA in Conference assembled that there be established a Task Force to support the State Library. Lois moved to adopt the resolution to support the state library with second by Sarah Henderson. Friends of NM Libraries supported this resolution at their meeting this morning. Passed.

Ellanie Sampson made an executive Board presentation to outgoing President Karen Watkins for her hard and good work. A plaque and gift were presented.

On motion (Sarah Henderson/Betty Long) the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Leon, Secretary
Minutes For Business Meeting
Albuquerque, NM
April 19, 1990

The Business Meeting of the New Mexico Library Association was called to order by President Gloria Trujillo at 3:55 p.m. in the Cochiti Room of the Albuquerque Convention Center with 74 people in attendance.

Gloria Trujillo appointed Cheryl Wilson parliamentarian for the meeting.

Susan Oberlander, Co-Chair of the Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee introduced Representative Raymond Sanchez (D), Speaker of the New Mexico House of Representatives, and Dick Minzner (D), candidate for the office of Attorney General. Representative Sanchez spoke to the assembly about his long involvement in 1st Amendment Rights issues, and his personal commitment to those rights, and then thanked the members of NMLA for their support of those issues as well. Dick Minzner addressed the group briefly explaining his commitment to 1st Amendment issues, and asking for support in the upcoming Primary Election for Attorney General of New Mexico.

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Gloria Trujillo reported on the activities of NMLA during the year. An outstanding accomplishment this year was the work of the Special Committee on the State Library (State Library Task Force). With considerable help from many NMLA members and friends, the committee did a great job of making legislators aware of the importance of New Mexico State Library services. One of the results of their efforts was a $50,000 increase in the State Library budget for state aid to public libraries.

Gloria spoke to the legislative success of the CUS division in helping to pass legislation upgrading the funding formula for Academic Libraries.

Gloria praised Susan Oberlander and Thaddeus Bejnar for their excellent work as Co-Chairs of the Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee which gave numerous workshops explaining the new Privacy Act, and updated and distributed the Intellectual Freedom Handbook.

MINUTES

Secretary Drew Harrington announced that through an oversight, the minutes from last year's business meeting were not published in the post conference newsletter. Therefore, they will be published with this year's minutes, and both sets will be on next year's business meeting agenda.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Carol Myers reported that this has been a very difficult year for NMLA financially. In February the association was down to $134 in the checking account and had to cash a CD to remain solvent. Carol reported that NMLA began the 1989-90 year with a balance in the checking account of $8,518.66. As of March 31, 1990, the balance was $26,324.97 (includes income from cashed CD).

Carol urged all members to fill out their membership applications immediately and get dues to the treasurer before July 1, 1990. This will not only keep the organization solvent, but will allow each member to enjoy the benefits of membership throughout the year.

ALA COUNCILOR

Ben Wakashige reported that he attended last summer's ALA Annual Conference in Dallas and that Chuck Baldonado attended ALA Midwinter in his stead as he had another commitment. Ben encouraged all NMLA members to join ALA and to take an active part in the organization.

STATE LIBRARIAN

Karen Watkins reported on NMSL activities of the last year including an increase in State Aid to public libraries, prospects for purchasing land for a new State Library building, and a Program Review of NMSL services. Karen invited members to attend the Friday morning meeting on the Program Review.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Daryl Black reported for 1st Vice-President Chuck Baldonado. Conference registration to date is 418.

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

No report

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Carol Joiner reported that unexpectedly during the year she took over the position of Editor of the NMLA Newsletter. It has been a successful year, with Carol editing 3 issues, 2 of them double issues. The Newsletter has been very well received and Carol has been pleased with the number and quality of articles being submitted. Carol announced that the deadline for submitting articles for the post conference issue is April 28, 1990.

DIVISION REPORTS

College, University & Special Libraries

Ben Wakashige reported that the CUS Division co-sponsored the pre-conference program "Nuts and Bolts of Collection Development" with the NMACAL Collection Development Committee and the New Mexico State Library. The proposed 1990-91 CUS work program is to "Promote cooperation and communication among all
academic and special librarians in New Mexico”. The nomination committee has recommended Judy C. Neff for the position of CUS vice-chair/chair-elect.

**Public Libraries**

Mary Lou Gooch reported that Sandy White is the incoming chair of the division and Mary Pat Kramer has been nominated as vice-chair/chair-elect. During the conference, the division is sponsoring the "Battle of the Books" program.

**SLCYASD**

Claire Odenheim reported that there are three new appointees on the Land of Enchantment Book Award Committee: Bowers, Kingston, and Brady. The Land of Enchantment Award book reviews are now being edited by Rosemary Wilson and published in the NMLA Newsletter. Author Barthe DeClements will receive the 1989 Land of Enchantment Award at this year's NMLA banquet.

**R O U N D T A B L E R E P O R T S**

**Documents**

Ruben Aragon reported that the round table has 47 members, which is an increase of 6 members from last year and enough for an active status, but not sufficient for round table voting status. Ruben encouraged members to join the Documents Round Table. Jeanette Smith is vice-chair/chair-elect for the round table. Kathleen Keating will serve as this year’s Chair of the roundtable.

**Library Instruction**

No Report

**Local & Regional History**

No Report

**LUISA**

Clara Rey reported that the conference program will be "Hispanics in Library Management", presented by Luis Herrera. In celebration of LUISA’s 10th anniversary, all LUISA members are wearing pale blue ribbons and will be seated together at reserved tables at the banquet. The 1990-91 nominee for vice-chair/chair-elect is Sophie Leyba.

**Native American Libraries**

Lee Platero reported that portions of the 1989-90 work program were completed successfully, while other goals were not realized. Veronica Paynetsa is the 1990-91 nominee for vice-chair/chair-elect. The conference program will deal with Native American perspectives on the Columbus Quincentenary Celebration and is titled "Encounter vs. Discovery". Lee spoke of the round table’s concern about the "non-donation" clause in the New Mexico State Constitution that is adversely effecting funding of Reservation Community Libraries.

**Non-Print/NMAECT**

Earl Phillips reported that the round table will continue with its current work goals in the coming year and will add additional goals. The name of the round table may be changed to "Educational Technology Round Table" to be more descriptive of the round table’s work. The change will be voted on at the annual round table business meeting. David Libertore has been nominated as Vice-Chair, Chair elect.

**Online**

Penny Grigsby reported on the round table’s successful conference program "Computers as Tutors" presented to 70 participants. Cheryl Whitlew has been elected vice-chair/chair elect for the coming year. Peggy Giltrow is the incoming round table chair.

**Trustees & Friends**

No report

**C O M M I T T E E R E P O R T S**

**Awards**

Nancy Fischer reported that the efforts of the committee led to the following awards to be presented at the banquet this evening.

- Honorary Life Membership: Lois Godfrey
- Librarian of the Year: Lowell Duhrsem
- Librarian of the Year: Joe Sabatini
- Legislator of the Year: Anthony Williams
- Trustee of the Year: Carol King

**Bylaws**

Cheryl Wilson presented the proposals for Bylaw changes:

- Article III, Membership Section 4, change the word "membership" to "fiscal"; strike Section 5 and replace with "Membership dues shall be for one year and application for membership shall be made to the Treasurer"; and Section 6 is struck completely.

Cheryl moved for passage of the Bylaw changes. Betty Long seconded. Some discussion followed. Questions from the audience were: 1) Who will mail renewal notices? Cheryl Wilson answered that the Membership Committee will. 2) When will the change go into effect? Cheryl answered immediately, but with a "Grandfather clause".

A member of the audience suggested that rather than making this change, a dues notice be sent each year with the conference notice. Joe Sabatini spoke to the change saying that this assures that all members get a full years membership no matter when they join NMLA. Joe then asked Treasurer, Carol Myers to express her opinion on the change. Carol said that in some ways the change seems like a concession to the members who are slow to pay their dues. She would prefer that the July 1-June 30 fiscal year and the fact that dues are due July 1 be publicized with the hope that members would pay their dues on time. In this way the budget can be planned relatively accurately. Joe Sabatini noted that the recommendation for a Bylaws change came from the Membership Committee.
which has struggled with the problem at some length. Gloria Trujillo called for a vote: 58 votes yes, 11 votes no. Motion carried.

Conference Site
Michael Miller reported that the 1991 NMLA Conference will be in Roswell, N.M., April 17-20. Fred Barraza has been nominated Chair of the Conference Site Committee for 1992.

Education
Kathy Flanary reported on the 1989-90 education grant awards:

- Bonnie Hopkins $200 (represent NM at ALA)
- Joyce Etulain $200 (represent NM at ALA)
- Ruth Krug $125 (Seminar)
- Karen Stabler $200 (Workshop)
- Judy Neff $75 (Tuition)

The $1,500 Marion Dorroh Scholarship will be awarded at the banquet tonight to Kay Krehbiel. In an effort to increase the scholarship trust, a fund-raising campaign will be kicked off at the banquet.

Legislation & Intellectual Freedom
Thaddeus Bejnar reported that 6 workshops on the Privacy Act were conducted around the state; the Intellectual Freedom Handbook was revised and distributed; and NMLA, with board approval, joined the organization "New Mexicans Against Censorship".

Library Development
Deborah McBeth reported that the 1990-91 work program will be presented at the post conference Executive Board Meeting.

Membership
Alison Almquist reported that NMLA has 508 members. All divisions have voting status. All round tables have active status, but the Documents and Local & Regional History round tables do not have sufficient members for voting status. Alison encouraged membership in NMLA.

Nominating: Announcement of Officers
Karen Watkins thanked Elaine Shannon and Lucy Cruz for their assistance on the committee. Newly elected offices for the coming year are:

- 2nd Vice-President: Drew Harrington
- Secretary: Dinah Jentgen

Public Relations
Susie Sonflieth announced the release of the Fred Barraza Reading Poster to be sold for $18 during the conference. Susie announced that professional PSAs featuring Nelson Martinez on KOAT-TV are showing to advertise National Library Week.

Publications
Sever Bordeianu reported that, thanks to the assistance of the Lindsey Corporation, the work of the Publications Committee has been reduced enough that NMLA President Gloria Trujillo restructured the committee as only a chair, with other members to be added if necessary.

Special Committee on Automation
Karen Watkins reported that the Long Range Automation Plan was mailed to all NMLA members in March, 1990. Project serial, a statewide serials union list project included in the plan, is underway. The NM Consortium of Academic Libraries is beginning to plan for possible legislative requests in 1991 to partially fund projects MICRO, DATA, and RECON.

Special Committee on Non-Member Database
Cheryl Wilson reported that there are over 1,500 names in the database.

Special Committee on State Library
Lois Godfrey reported that most of her report was covered in President Trujillo's summary. Lois emphasized the need for continuing involvement in educating State Legislators to the importance of libraries. Lois recommended to President Trujillo that the committee be dissolved, since their work has been completed.

Special Committee on Professional Staffing
No report

Special Committee on Promotional Materials
Daryl Black reported that the work of this committee was absorbed into the Public Relations Committee.

Special Committee on Conference Guidelines
Daryl Black summarized the committee report pertaining to specific requirements that potential conference sites must meet, and noted the change in language from "An annual conference will be held in the spring," to "An annual conference will be held."
OLD BUSINESS

Karen Watkins announced that she had forgotten to ask the new NMLA Officers to stand, and asked them to do so now.

Joe Sabatini said that he wanted to compliment Carol Joiner, Newsletter Editor, on the fine job she has done, and noted how much he has enjoyed the publication since she took over the job.

NEW BUSINESS

A member of the audience asked that in future meetings a hand held mike be available since she and others had difficulty hearing comments from the floor:

Gloria Trujillo thanked NMLA members, Executive Board members, and officers for their hard work, and expressed her pleasure in working with them.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Don Dresp, seconded by Penny Grigsby, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. ♦

Calendar of NMLA Board Meetings and Other Events

1991

April 1 Pre-Conference registration deadline.
April 14-21 National Library Week.
April 17-20 NMLA 68th Annual Conference, Roswell.
April 17 Board Meeting, Roswell. Beginning of Conference. Year-end wrap up. Presentation of annual reports.
April 19 Executive Board Budget Luncheon, Roswell
April 20 Executive Board Breakfast and Meeting, Roswell
April 29 Articles due for June NMLA Newsletter.
June 14 Executive Board Meeting, Albuquerque
June 29-July 4 ALA Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.
July 9-13 2nd White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services, Washington, DC.
Sept 20 Executive Board Meeting, Las Cruces

1992

Jan 24 Executive Board Meeting, Santa Fe
April 29 Executive Board Meeting, Farmington

Update on the Marion Dorroh Scholarship Fund

Peggy Tooker, Chair
Education Committee

Last year at the NMLA Conference a drive was started to increase the Marion Dorroh Scholarship Fund to an endowment of $50,000 so that the scholarship granted annually could be raised from $1,500 to $5,000. At the Conference, James and Helen Dyke issued a challenge to the membership to donate $100 per member to make this goal. Their check for $200 started this endowment drive.

Since April 1990, when dues for the current year began coming in, there have been a total of 84 donors whose donations range from $1 to $110. These donations amount to a total of $1,511, or approximately $17.99 per donor. If each of the current 563 members had donated this amount of $17.99 this year, the total would have been $10,128.37! If all 563 had donated $100, we would be over our goal!

The following letter from Peggy Tozer of Portales should inspire all members to respond to this $100 challenge so that the goal begun last year will be reached soon.

1321 W. 17th Lane
Portales, N. M. 88130
Oct. 29, 1990

Carol Myers
N.M.L.A. Treasurer
8632 Horacio Place, N.E.
Albuquerque, N.M. 87111

Dear Carol,

The arrival of the N.M.L.A. Newsletter today made me aware of James Dyke's challenge for NMLA members to contribute to the Marion Dorroh Scholarship Fund.

Like Dr. Dyke, I remember when the Scholarship was started and have made small contributions to the fund when I paid my dues for a number of years.

Now, I would like to accept Dr. Dyke's challenge with a $100 contribution to the fund.

Through the years I have come to realize how much our small scholarship has meant to the recipients and hope the campaign is very successful.

Sincerely,

Peggy M. Tozer
DONORS TO THE MARION DORROH SCHOLARSHIP FUND FROM APRIL 1990 TO THE END OF JANUARY 1991

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS: $1,511.00

1. Ellanie Sampson
2. Ellen C. Espinoza
3. Joe Sabatini
4. Daryl A. Black
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7. Dorothy S. Dyke
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21. Peggy Medina Giltrow
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30. Katharine B. Bjorklund
31. *Peggy M. Tozer
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74. Mary Pat Kraemer
75. Olivama A. Martinez
76. Anne Morgan
77. Jan Sinclair
78. Charles Townley
79. Martha Liebert
80. Inez R. Garrett
81. *Peggy M. Tozer
82. Karen J. Watkis
83. Eulalie W. Brown
84. Mary Grathwol
85. Maryann Brondi

*Peggy paid different amounts on two separate occasions, so there are actually only 84 donors.
TO: All NMLA Members

FROM: Peggy Medina Giltrow, Chair
       Online Round Table

SUBJECT: Your opinions, please!

According to NMLA bylaws, the purpose of the Online Round Table is to:

A. Provide a forum for those interested in online retrieval and storage

B. Promote communication among current and future online users, and provide assistance to new and potential users

C. Promote formal training programs to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of online information retrieval in all types of libraries.

Changes in technology and applications (especially growth of databases on CD-ROM) have prompted a review of the scope and name of the Online Round Table.

Interested NMLA members are invited to answer the questionnaire (on the reverse side) to help shape changes in the Online Round Table's future.

Please return by April 5 to:

Peggy Medina Giltrow, Chair
       Online Round Table
       P.O. Box 389
       Santa Fe, NM 87504

       Phone: (w) 827-3825
       Fax: 1-983-1095
1. I am currently an Online Round Table member: 
   ___ yes   ___ no

2. I regularly attend Online Round Table sessions at NMLA: 
   ___ yes   ___ no

3. Highest level of education completed: 
   ___ HS diploma 
   ___ Associate degree 
   ___ BA/BS degree 
   ___ MA/MS degree 
   ___ more 

4. I am a: 
   ___ librarian 
   ___ library employee, (paraprofessional, aide) 
   ___ teacher 
   ___ researcher 
   ___ other interested person

5. I use the following: 
   (check as applies) 
   ___ microcomputer 
   ___ mini and/or mainframe computer 
   ___ online catalog 
   ___ online database(s) 
   ___ CD-ROM databases 
   ___ other

6. I think the bylaws and/or name of the round table should be changed to reflect other types of electronic reference now available (CD-ROM, etc.). 
   ___ yes   ___ no

7. I think the bylaws and/or name of the round table should be expanded to reflect all types of automation/computer usage in libraries. 
   ___ yes   ___ no

8. I am interested in the following online topics:

9. I suggest the following ideas for next year's work program (examples: NMLA conference topics, mid-year workshops, panels, similar interest networks):
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

April 29, 1991

Please send your articles/photos to the Newsletter editor on or before these dates. Remember, the Newsletter will be distributed about six weeks after these deadlines.